

ASSEMBLY ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS, TOURISM, AND INTERNET MEDIA COMMITTEE Honorable Sharon Quirk-Silva, Chair

The following are measures considered by the Committee during the 2021 Legislative Session.

AB 35 (Chau) - Social media platforms: false information.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would require a person that operates a social media platform to disclose whether or not that social media platform has a policy or mechanism in place to address the spread of misinformation and require the disclosure to be made easily accessible on the social media platform's website and mobile application. Additionally, it would authorize the Attorney General or any district attorney, county counsel, or city attorney to enforce violations of its provisions and would subject a person to a civil penalty of a specified amount depending on the number of violations.

Last Action: Senate Committee on Judiciary (2-year bill)

AB 420 (Quirk-Silva) - Public health: amusement parks and COVID-19.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that the executive branch adjust the "COVID-19 INDUSTRY GUIDANCE: Amusement Parks and Theme Parks" document and place all amusement parks, regardless of size, within the moderate risk tier, rather than the minimal risk tier. If the executive branch takes those actions, the bill would require the Department of Industrial Relations to administer a competitive grant for amusement parks to be used by amusement parks to purchase personal protective equipment for their employees. The bill would appropriate \$500,000 from the General Fund for the grant program.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (This measure is no longer being pursued by author.)

AB 472 (Cooley) - Campsite reservations: securing an equitable process.

SUMMARY: This bill would have made it unlawful for a person to intentionally use or sell software or services to circumvent a security control or measure that is used to ensure an equitable campsite, wilderness and backcountry reservationmaking process for visitors.

Last Action: Vetoed

AB 609 (Kamlager) - College Athlete Race and Gender Equity Act.

SUMMARY: This bill would require institutions of higher education with sports in which 50% of the institution's total sports revenue in the state exceeds the total aggregate grant-in-aid

athletics scholarship amount provided to the institution's college athletes in the sport during the reporting year to pay a name, image, and likeness royalty fee to each qualifying college athlete, as specified. It would also require each institution of higher education to comply with Title IX of the federal Education Amendments of 1972 as it applies to college athletics, to suspend an athletic director from intercollegiate athletics responsibilities in the state for three years if Title IX compliance is not achieved on or before January 1, 2025, and maintained for at least 6 months in each 12-month period after January 1, 2025, and to preserve each athletic program's college athletes' educational opportunities and grant-in-aid athletic scholarship amounts, including by requiring program cost-cutting options be implemented before, or simultaneously with, any reduction in college athletes' aggregate unduplicated participation numbers or grant-in-aid athletic scholarship amounts. It would impose additional obligations on community college districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Additionally, it would prohibit an institution of higher education that receives state funds or state tax-exempt status from compensating athletics administrative personnel in an amount that exceeds 50% of the average total intercollegiate athletics administrative personnel compensation expenses paid by institutions of higher education that belong to the Football Championship Subdivision of the National Collegiate Athletic Association as well as prohibit until after January 1, 2032, an institution of higher education that receives state funds or state tax-exempt status from entering into a contract for new facility expenditures related to intercollegiate athletics unless the expenditure is necessary for matters of health and safety, would result in a net benefit to the environment, or is necessary to ensure compliance with Title IX of the federal Education Amendments of 1972.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (This measure is no longer being pursued by author.)

AB 613 (Cristina Garcia) - Social media: retouched images: disclosure.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would require social media platforms, as defined, *or users or advertisers posting on a social media platform*, to place text or marking within or adjacent to retouched images that have been posted on the platform for promotional or commercial purposes, and specify how that retouched image was altered. Additionally, it would define retouched image to mean a depiction of a real person, living or deceased, that has had their bodily appearance altered to narrow or thicken their figure or remove marks or blemishes on their skin.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection (2-year bill)

AB 729 (Valladares) - California Travel and Tourism Commission: meetings: records and minutes.

SUMMARY: This bill would require the minutes and records of all commission meetings to be posted on the internet website of the Office of Tourism for at least 2 years.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (This measure is no longer being pursued by author.)

AB 730 (Quirk-Silva) - Athlete agents: minor athletes: health and safety.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would prohibit an athlete agent from sending a minor client who is a professional athlete to any location that would be hazardous or detrimental to the health, safety, morals, or education of the minor, or entering any contract that requires the minor to appear at any event or establishment where alcoholic beverages or other intoxicating substances are sold or served.

Last Action: Senate Committee on Appropriations (2-year bill)

AB 860 (Cooley) - Native American tribes: ethnohistory: report.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would require the commission to prepare, or begin preparing, a report on the ethnohistory of Native American tribes in the Sacramento region covering the period from January 1, 1950, through the present, no later than January 1, 2024. It would require that this report include recommendations for how to expand the ethnography and ethnohistory to include other Native American tribes in California and also require the commission to submit copies of the report to specified entities and to maintain a copy in its records. Additionally, it would appropriate the sum of \$135,000 from the General Fund for this purpose.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (2-year bill)

AB 986 (Gipson) - Personal income tax and corporation tax: Equitable Opportunities Film Credit.

SUMMARY: This bill would permit a qualified taxpayer to receive up to 40% of the qualified expenditures attributable to the production of a qualified motion picture that is an independent minority film, as defined, with a total limit of up to \$30,000,000. The bill, among other things, would add the City of Banning to the Los Angeles zone and would provide additional credits for specified independent minority films for qualified expenditures relating to original photography in the state and qualified wages paid for services performed relating to original photography in the state to qualified individuals who reside in the state. The bill would also authorize a qualified taxpayer to sell any of the film credits attributable to an independent minority film. The bill would require an applicant with a production that is an independent minority film to include, in its application for the film credits to the California Film Commission, certain information relating to the applicant's voluntary programs to increase the representation of minorities and women in the job classifications that are not included in qualified wages.

Additionally, it would also increase the aggregate amount of credits that may be allocated, commencing with the 2021–22 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, through and including the 2024–25 fiscal year, under the film credits by \$200,000,000, and would make these credits exclusively available to independent minority films.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (2-year bill)

AB 1114 (Gallagher) - Social media platform: limited public forum.

SUMMARY: This bill would require a social media platform located in California, as defined, to develop a policy or mechanism to address content or communications that constitute unprotected speech, including obscenity, incitement of imminent lawless action, and true threats, or that purport to state factual information that is demonstrably false.

Last Action: Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media (This measure is no longer being pursued by author.)

AB 1348 (McCarty) - Youth athletics: chronic traumatic encephalopathy.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would require the Surgeon General to convene a Commission on Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) and Youth Football to investigate issues related to the risks of brain injury, if any, associated with participation in youth football, and issue recommendations on the minimum age for tackle football and best practices for minimizing the risk of concussion and CTE.

Last Action: Assembly Floor – Inactive File (2-year bill)

AB 1385 (Lorena Gonzalez) - Employee obligations: exclusivity options: music talent and actors.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would authorize recording artists to terminate a personal services agreement at any time, by written notice and without an obligation to pay damages, and limit the length of time that companies can exercise contract options for recording artists and actors performing in an episodic series.

Last Action: Assembly Labor Committee (2-year bill)

AB 1545 (Wicks) - Children: internet safety: platform operators.

SUMMARY: This bill would enact the Kids Internet Design and Safety (KIDS) Act for purposes of keeping children safe and protecting their interests on the internet.

Last Action: Assembly Appropriations Committee (2-year bill)

AB 1556 (Friedman) - Ticket sales.

SUMMARY: Requires that a refund be made within 30 calendar days of the cancellation for cancelled events. It also requires a ticket price at any event which is postponed, rescheduled, or replaced with another event at the same date and time be fully refunded to the purchaser by the ticket seller upon request within 30 calendar days of the refund request.

Last Action: Chapter 180, Statues of 2021

SB 26 (Skinner) - Collegiate athletics: student athlete compensation and representation.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Expands the existing authority for a collegiate student athlete to receive compensation to also include compensation earned from the use of the student's athletic reputation, and moves up the implementation date of existing statutes relative to compensation earned from the use of a student athlete's name, image, or likeness.

Last Action: Chapter 159, Statues of 2021

SB 611 (Allen) - Income taxes: credits: motion pictures.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would allow additional credit amounts under the California's Film and Motion Picture Production tax credit program for productions that hire specified individuals, and require applicants to create and include a workforce development plan.

Last Action: Assembly Appropriations Committee (2-year bill)

SB 628 (Allen) - California Creative Workforce Act of 2021.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Enacts the California Creative Workforce Act of 2021 to promote employment and "earn and learn" job training opportunities for creative workers, and requires the California Arts Council to consult with the California Workforce Development Board to create and design a grant program with guidelines and criteria that are consistent with the Act's specified objectives. *Last Action: Chapter 767, Statues of 2021*

SB 805 (Rubio) - Small nonprofit performing arts organizations: payroll and paymaster services grants: employment grants.

<u>SUMMARY</u>: This bill would have tasked the California Arts Council with the creation and administration of a California Nonprofit Performing Arts Paymaster for the purpose of providing low-cost payroll services to small nonprofit performing arts organizations.

Last Action: Vetoed