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2021 - 2022 Legislative Bill Summary

Arts

AB-1815 (Nazarian) - Cultural heritage destruction: California universities and museums

Would have prohibited the California Community Colleges (CCC) and the California State University (CSU) from inviting a sponsored professor, as defined, to any campus or facility for ten years if the professor is employed by a college or university that receives funding from a country that has received an adverse judgment regarding the destruction of cultural heritage artifacts or sites by the International Court of Justice (ICJ). This bill would have asked, but not required, the University of California (UC) adhere to the same policy. The bill also would have prohibited California museums that receive public funding from displaying any item or artifact from a country, sending to a country, or receiving from a country any item or artifact, for a period of 10 years if that country has received an adverse judgment by the ICJ regarding the destruction of cultural heritage artifacts or sites.

LAST ACTION: Died - Assembly Committee on Appropriations

AB-2226 (Cervantes) - California Main Street Program.

Would have strengthened the linkages between the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) and other state agencies responsible for implementing geographically-based economic development programs, including the Main Street Program and the state-designated cultural districts. In undertaking these activities, the bill emphasized the role of entrepreneurship in creating vital and sustainable communities.

LAST ACTION: Died - Assembly Committee on Appropriations

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

Established a new workforce grant program to promote "earn and learn" job training and career exploration opportunities for creative workers.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 767, Statutes of 2021

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

Would have established the California Nonprofit Performing Arts Paymaster for the purpose of providing low-cost payroll services to small nonprofit performing arts organizations.

LAST ACTION: Vetoed

SB-963 (Laird) - Historical preservation: California Cultural and Historical Endowment: grant programs.

Revises and recasts the purpose and priorities of the California Cultural and Historical Endowment's museum grant program.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 300, Statutes of 2022

SB-1116 (Portantino) - Arts Council: The Performing Arts Equitable Payroll Fund.

Creates the Performing Arts Equitable Payroll Fund to provide grants to Small Nonprofit Performing Arts Organizations to reimburse a percentage of the first \$10,000 they spend on payroll costs.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 731, Statutes of 2022

Entertainment

AB-1556 (Friedman) - Ticket sellers.

Will add a disclosure requirement prior to sale, advising purchasers when tickets are non-transferrable and require event ticket refunds be made within 30 days of an event cancellation.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 180, Statutes of 2021

AB-2681 (Bloom) - The California Concert and Festival Crowd Safety Act.

Establishes a set of minimum crowd safety standards, for local authorities to use when permitting large outdoor events with the goal of providing attendees with the safest experience possible.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 441, Statutes of 2022

AB-2926 (Kalra) – Employee Obligations: Exclusivity Options.

Would have changed exclusivity options in contracts with either music talent or motion picture talent.

The author declined to move this measure forward

LAST ACTION: Died – Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media

SB-485 (Portantino) - Income taxes: tax credits: motion picture credit extension.

Would extend the Film and TV Tax Credit 3.0 program through 2029-30.

LAST ACTION: Died - Assembly Inactive File

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

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, as specified.

LAST ACTION Died - Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Sports

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

Would have prohibited 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, as specified.

LAST ACTION Died - Assembly Committee on Appropriations

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

Would have required the Surgeon General to convene a Commission on Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy and Youth Football to investigate issues related to the risks of brain injury, if any, associated with participation in youth football, as specified.

LAST ACTION: Vetoed

AB-1779 (Mathis) - State Athletic Commission Act: regulation of contests: licensed physicians.

Would update the state's rules and regulations for professional boxing contests to conform to federal law by requiring an ambulance or medical personnel with appropriate resuscitation equipment be continuously present during a professional bout.

The author declined to move this measure forward

LAST ACTION: Died - Assembly Committee on Business and Professions

AB-1813 (Medina) - State Athletic Commission Act: executive officer.

Clarifies that the State Athletic Commission's executive officer is not liable for discretionary acts.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 177, Statutes of 2022

AB-2664 (Friedman) - Collegiate athletics: coaches: misconduct.

Would prohibit the state's postsecondary educational institutions from hiring new athletics coaches, or renewing the employment contract of existing athletics coaches, who have been convicted or found civilly liable of misconduct, as defined, related to their current or any previous employment.

The author declined to move this measure forward

LAST ACTION: Died - Assembly Committee on Higher Education

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

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, Statutes of 2021

Tourism

AB 2009 (Valladeres) – California Travel and Tourism Commission.

Would have made negligible changes to the California Travel and Tourism Commissioner's term.

The author declined to move this measure forward

LAST ACTION: Died – Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media

ACR-174 (Boerner Horvath) - California Tourism Month.

Proclaimed May 2022 as California Tourism Month and urges Californians to support tourism and local businesses by traveling in state as an act of civic pride.

LAST ACTION: Chapter 85, Statutes of 2022

Internet Media

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

Requires a person that operates a social media platform to disclose what, if anything, it does to address the spread of misinformation.

LAST ACTION: Bill was held in Senate Judiciary and then completely amended to a different subject matter and signed into law

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

Would have made it unlawful for a person to intentionally use or sell software or services to circumvent a security control or measure used to ensure an equitable campsite, wilderness and backcountry reservation making process for visitors.

LAST ACTION: Vetoed

AB-1114 (Gallagher) - Social media platform: unprotected speech.

Would have declared that a social media platform located in California is a traditional First Amendment forum, as described; and requires a social media platform located in California to develop a policy addressing unprotected speech and demonstrably false information.

LAST ACTION: Died – Assembly Committee on Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media

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

Would have enacted the Kids Internet Design and Safety (KIDS) Act for purposes of keeping children safe and protecting their interests on the internet.

LAST ACTION Died - Assembly Committee on Appropriations