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NEW Educational Legislation related to Homeless Youth  
2017-2018

Bill	Category	Effective	Code	Purpose
SB 177	Homeless Youth Education Success Act (Parallels Federal McKinney Vento Act)	1/1/2014	EC § 48850, 48852.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires the immediate enrollment of homeless children and youth.</li> <li>Deems homeless students to meet residency requirements for interscholastic sports, immediately upon enrollment.</li> <li>Requires the California Department of Education and the Department of Social Services to:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize an inter-agency work group</li> <li>Develop policies and practices to support homeless children and youth</li> <li>Ensure that child abuse and neglect report requirements do not create barriers</li> </ol> </li> <li>Requires local educational agency (LEA) homeless liaisons to ensure public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youth are distributed in schools.</li> </ul>
AB 1166	Homeless youth: school transfer exemption from local graduation requirements	1/1/2016	EC § 51225.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides that students who are in foster care or are homeless are eligible for exemption from local graduation requirements, even if not notified of this right, and provides that homeless youth who are exempted continue to be exempted even if the student is no longer homeless.</li> </ul>
SB 4	Health Care coverage: immigration status	1/1/2016	WIC 14007.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undocumented children will be eligible for health care coverage under Medi-Cal, beginning May 2016</li> </ul>
SB 252	Pupils diploma alternative fees	1/1/2016	EC 48412, 51421	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prohibits charging a fee to homeless youth under 25yo who can verify their status a homeless for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS proficiency exam</li> <li>HS equivalency tests</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
SB 445	Pupil Instruction and Services	1/1/2016	EC 48852, 48859,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires a LEA to allow a homeless child to continue his or her education in their school of origin while homeless:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school attended when permanently housed or</li> <li>The school in which they were last enrolled or</li> <li><b>A school that the homeless student attended within the immediately preceding 15 months and feels most connected <i>**NEW</i></b></li> </ul> </li> <li>If, during the school year, a student is no longer homeless, he or she may                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>continue their education in their school of origin through graduation if a high school student, (NEW) or</b></li> <li>continue his or her education through the duration of the academic school year if a student in grades kindergarten through grade 8.</li> </ul> </li> <li>If a homeless child is transitioning between grades, an LEA must allow child to continue in school district of origin in same attendance area and if the child is transitioning to middle or high school, the LEA must allow the child to continue to the school designated for matriculation even if it is in another school district.</li> </ul>
AB 1228	Public postsecondary education: campus housing priority for homeless youth	1/1/2016	EC 51225.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides priority for housing at the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU), and the California Community Colleges (CCC) to homeless youth under 25 years of age, that maintains student housing facilities. Requires verification of homeless status anytime during the 24 months preceding the receipt of their application to the UC, CSU or CCC.</li> </ul>
AB 1068	Pupil Records	1/1/2014	EC § 49073, 49076	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gives unaccompanied youth age 14 and over the right to access and consent to disclose their school records.</li> <li>Extends these rights to caregivers who enroll students in school using</li> </ul>

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				<p>California's caregiver authorization affidavit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevents schools from releasing directory information of students experiencing homelessness, unless a parent expressly consents. This would include name, address, phone number, e-mail, and photographs.</li> </ul>
<b>AB 309</b>	<b>CalFresh Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Homeless Youth</b>	<b>1/1/2014</b>	<b>WIC § 18904.25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarifies there is no minimum age requirement for unaccompanied homeless youth to apply.</li> <li>Requires County Welfare Departments (who process CalFresh applications) to:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarify that there is no minimum age requirement for unaccompanied homeless youth to apply.</li> <li>Promote awareness of CalFresh expedited services to homeless population by ensuring LEA liaisons and homeless shelter operators receive training about CalFresh services.</li> <li>Individually evaluate and screen unaccompanied youth's CalFresh application to determine if the youth is a household of one or must apply with a household with whom the youth is regularly purchasing and preparing foods.</li> <li>Provide a written explanation if the benefit CalFresh application is denied.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>AB 652</b>	<b>Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act: Homeless Children</b>	<b>1/1/2014</b>	<b>Penal § 11165.15</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarifies the fact that a child/youth is homeless or classified as an unaccompanied minor, is not in and of itself, a sufficient basis reporting child abuse or neglect as defined by McKinney-Vento.</li> </ul>
<b>AB 1006</b>	<b>Juvenile Court Records: Sealing and Destruction</b>	<b>1/1/2014</b>	<b>WIC § 781</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gives youth with minor offenses a way to have their records sealed once they turn 18</li> <li>Requires courts and probation departments to provide youth with:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Informational materials</li> <li>Standard form to petition to seal their records.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>AB 1806</b>	<b>Pupil Services: Homeless Children and Youth</b>	<b>1/1/2015</b>	<b>EC § 48915.5, 48918.1, 51225.1, 51225.2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires each LEA to notify the LEA's liaison for homeless children and youth of a manifestation determination meeting, a suspension hearing, or an expulsion hearing of a homeless youth.</li> <li>Exempts homeless pupil from completing graduation requirements in excess of the state graduation requirements if the homeless pupil transfers after his or her 2<sup>nd</sup> year of high school, and requires, if a homeless pupil transfers schools, the LEA to award partial or full credit, as specified, for courses completed at the pupil's previous schools.</li> </ul>
<b>AB 379</b>	<b>Complaint of noncompliance</b>	<b>1/1/2016</b>	<b>EC § 48853, 49069, 51225</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expands the UCP to include complaints of non-compliance with certain rights and responsibilities related to the education of foster and homeless youth, including school placement decisions, responsibilities of foster youth liaisons, school transfer provisions, exemption from local graduation requirements, and the awarding of partial credit for completed coursework.</li> </ul>

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