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Budget Requests

Child Care

California's working families need greater access to child care. The Legislative Women's Caucus continues its strong advocacy for early childhood care and education by supporting the workforce's request for a one billion dollar increase in the 2018-2019 budget. As California is on healthier financial ground, additional dollars are needed to address one-time asks within the field that support our earliest learners. Details of this budget ask are being developed and will include increased child care slots, leveraging federal dollars and addressing the needs of the next generation of child care providers.

DFEH

The California Department of Fair Employment and Housing needs proper resources to adequately address sexual harassment in the workplace. The Legislative Women's Caucus requests three million dollars in ongoing General Fund moneys to provide the Department resources for education and outreach, as well as, investigations, mediation and prosecutions of claims filed in a timely manner.



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Policy Priorities

Bill	Author	
SB 826	Jackson	Requires all publicly-held corporations based in California to have at least one woman on their boards by the end of 2019. Beginning in 2021, requires a minimum of two women directors on boards with five directors and at least three women on boards with six or more directors.
SB 945	Atkins	Ensures that low-income women in California who suffer from breast or cervical cancer and are uninsured or underinsured receive the treatment they need for their cancer by repealing the arbitrary treatment caps of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program.
SB 982	Mitchell	Helps end childhood deep poverty in the CalWORKs program by setting a floor for grants at 50% of the federal poverty line.
SB 1200	Skinner	Provides a streamlined process to obtain gun violence restraining orders (GVROs). Removes fees, automatically schedules a 1-year review hearing and adds ammunition magazines and other firearm components to the items prohibited by GVROs.
AB 1870	Reyes Waldron Friedman	Allows victims of sexual harassment more time to bring claims forward by extending the current time limit (1 year) for which claims must be filed to three years.
AB 2023	Caballero	Makes the Child and Dependent Care Expenses Credit refundable, so that low- and moderate-income working families can benefit from the credit and receive a tax refund for their child care expenses.
AB 2070	Reyes	Expands the existing college orientation requirements to include education and discussion about dating and domestic violence.
AB 2124	Baker	Requires OES to award funds to up to 11 DA offices that employ vertical prosecution programs for human trafficking crimes.
AB 2289	Weber	Establishes a state-wide family and sick leave policy for young parents in grades 6-12 to opt into in order to support their academic success and to be able to bond with and care for their children.
AB 2292	Aguiar Curry	Invests in California's child care system by increasing state rates for infant and toddler care, creating a grant program to fund implementation and start-up costs of new child care facilities, and establishing a fund to recruit a new generation of family child care providers.
AB 2342	Burke Waldron	Requires health care service plans, health insurers and the State Department of Health Care Services to cover screening, genetic counseling and testing for BRCA gene mutations in women who have not been diagnosed with BRCA-related cancer, but who may have an increased risk based on one or more specific family history risk factors.
AB 2698	Rubio	Enables children in the California State Preschool Program (CSPP), and infant and toddlers in general child care and development programs to benefit from early childhood mental health consultation by authorized providers to utilize subsidized child care funds to provide these valuable services.
AB 3080	Gonzalez Fletcher	Seeks to end practices that have enabled sexual harassment in the workplace to be covered up by prohibiting one-sided arbitration agreements from being forced on new employees, providing protections for whistleblowers, and preventing retaliation towards workers who do not sign arbitration agreements.