

5/14/2009
Bill Status

Professional Liability Exemption when Volunteering

HB 1995 – By Rep. McCall Scheduled for hearing in Senate State Affairs 5/14
SB 1211 – By Sen. Fraser Passed Senate – Heard in House Judiciary Committee (Pending)

Loan Repayment

HB 3576 – By Rep. Christian Heard in House Higher Education (Pending)
SB 1141 – By Sen. Van de Putte Passed Senate – Pending in House
* Higher Education Note: watch for request to contact representatives *

Pre-Concussive Bill for Contact Sports

HB 4627 – By Rep Lucio Died in Committee 5/13, not called for a hearing

Insurance Mandate

HB 2714 – By Rep. Coleman Bill was heard in the House Insurance Committee but was left pending. The Committee did not like adding mandates, and the insurance lobby opposed our efforts to amend. Bill died in Committee 5/13.

Placement of SLPs and Auds in Education Code

HB 3029 – Rep Allen Died in Committee 5/13
SB 209 – By Sen. Shapleigh Has not been called for a hearing

School Finance Bill

HB 3646 – By Rep. Hochberg Has speech language pathologists written in for any pass through pay raises to teachers (probably \$800). Senator Shapiro will probably carry Senate bill.
SB 892 – By Sen. Van de Putte Has SLPs and Auds included for pay raises – Bill is still alive

HB 461 – By Rep Eissler and Sen. Huffman

The Senate substitute that contain all of the agreed upon provision TSHA had in the original filed bill passed favorable from the Senate Health and Human Services Committee on 5/14. Bill will go to the Senate floor. Rep Eissler has agreed to accept the Senate version in Committee.

Newborn Hearing Screening

SB 2078 – By Sen. Lucio Has met significant opposition and should not pass. TSHA opposed and participated in a stakeholders meeting to express concerns

The 81st Legislative Session ends June 1
Stay tuned as the House and Senate are meeting late in the evening each day.