Engages state investments in the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL). This bill requires the Boards of the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (CalPERS) and the California State Teachers’ Retirement System (CalSTRS) to submit a report regarding investments in DAPL, and to review and consider factors related to tribal sovereignty and indigenous tribal rights as part of their investment policies related to environmental, social, and governance issues. Chapter 575, Statutes of 2017

Protects DACA and immigrant students from deportation in higher education institutions. AB 21 seeks to mitigate the impacts of potential federal changes to immigration enforcement policies, including the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, to ensure these students have access to their financial aid, legal representation and their constitutional right to due process. Chapter 118, Statutes of 2017

Discloses flood hazards to renters. Following the devastating flooding along Coyote Creek in 2017, this bill was introduced to require landlords to disclose within rental agreements that the property is located in a flood hazard area or an area of potential flooding. Providing this information to prospective tenants will help to ensure that renters are aware of the threat of potential flooding and can make informed decisions as to whether to acquire flood insurance. Chapter 502, Statutes of 2017

Repeals the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE). This bill takes the appropriate action of repealing the CAHSEE and is part of California’s transition away from single assessment educational standards, which is no longer relevant to the needs of today’s educational system. Chapter 641, Statutes of 2017

Protects consumers with fixed-insured annuities. The bill protects consumers when seeking an early cash surrender on a non-variable annuity from undue financial harm because of changing market rates. In doing so, it will ensure that the value of the annuity at the time it is cashed out based upon date the request is received, and that the payment is processed as expeditiously as possible. Chapter 228, Statutes of 2017

Makes clear ICE Agents are not police officers. In response to aggressive and, at times, deceitful actions undertaken by federal immigration agents, this bill clarifies that ICE and Border Patrol agents are not Peace Officers, and thus not allowed to refer to themselves as a police officer under California State Law. Chapter 118, Statutes of 2017

Extends protections of the Fair Consumer Debt Collection Act. This bill takes necessary steps to further extend existing protections for consumers struggling to get out of debt and repair their credit by stopping predatory debt collectors from being able to compel a small payment in order to renew a consumer debt that is past the four-year statute of limitation. Chapter 247, Statutes of 2018

Promotes fair and impartial juries for criminal trials. This bill provides court guidance on the “voir dire” process, a critical phase used by both sides in a criminal trial to ferret out juror bias and prohibits unreasonable or arbitrary time limits. During voir dire, liberal and probing examination ensures the constitutional right to a fair and impartial jury is upheld. Chapter 302, Statutes of 2017

Revises advertising laws for San Jose professional sports stadiums. This bill provides the legal certainty for the stadiums home to San Jose teams—the Giants, Earthquakes, and Sharks—to explore and develop alcoholic beverage sponsorships that are common among professional sports teams. Chapter 483, Statutes of 2018
AB 2034 Implements human trafficking awareness training for transit employees. Inspired by Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority’s (VTA) successful program to better identify and prevent cases of human trafficking, this bill requires transit employees in bus, train, or light-rail operations to undergo human trafficking awareness training by January 2021. 
Chapter 812, Statutes of 2018

AB 2084 Protects neutrality and integrity of the court record. In order to ensure fairness in the judicial process, this bill enforces laws on non-licensee-owned court reporting firms by prohibiting practices that advantage one party over another in a legal proceeding. 
Chapter 648, Statutes of 2018

AB 2180 Improves long-term care insurance. This bill provides needed clarity on state law for long-term care insurance and accelerated death benefits, helping insurers bring new insurance products to market faster and at a lower cost. 
Chapter 98, Statutes of 2018

AB 2215 Allows veterinarians to discuss medicinal cannabis for responsible pet-use. This bill enables state-licensed veterinarians to discuss the use of medicinal cannabis for animal patients, to give veterinarians the protection they need to better inform a pet owner’s decision on the use of medicinal cannabis without fear of penalization or losing their state license. 
Chapter 819, Statutes of 2018

AB 2400 Extends Alzheimer’s disease state tax form check-off. This bill extends California’s voluntary tax check-off for Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias research until January 1, 2025, set to expire with the 2019 state tax form. Without renewing California’s voluntary tax check-off for Alzheimer’s disease, funding for research, diagnosti cs, treatment, and drug therapies would expire in 2019 and not appear on the annual State Tax Form. 
Chapter 299, Statutes of 2018

AB 2455 Ensures protection of and support for home care aides. This bill creates a home care aide registry with limited contact information to labor organizations that will provide home care aides in isolated work settings with needed resources and support to improve the care they provide for some of our state’s most vulnerable populations. 
Chapter 917, Statutes of 2018

AB 2775 Establishes labelling standards for professional cosmetic products. As is required for retail cosmetic products, this bill requires ingredient labeling of professional cosmetic products, ensuring that salon workers and consumers are aware of potentially hazardous chemicals in the products that they use on a regular basis. 
Chapter 393, Statutes of 2018

AB 3211 Improves the use of advanced health care directives in organ donation. This bill updates the organ donation section in the Advanced Health Care Directive model form, giving it consistency with national best practices and enhances how we honor a person’s wishes regarding organ donation. 
Chapter 287, Statutes of 2018