



## **CTA Ambassador Report for California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE) January 2022 From Veronica Miranda-Pinkney**

### **I. Language Acquisition Committee-**

**1. Old business- contract language for new multilingual programs-**I have been working on getting CTA to share contract language that would help districts starting new multilingual programs and it has been a challenge so our committee decided to refer this request to the Board so that they can make sure it gets done. –

-----**The LNG Committee requests that CTA create a database for all existing contract language related to multilingual learner teaching and settings in contracts from throughout the state.**

**2. New legislative advocate-** Annie Chou is our new legislative advocate and excited to work with our former amazing advocate, Jennifer Baker!

**3. Language questions- bilingual vs. multilingual/English Learners-** Conversation around why we continue to use this term when multilingual is more of an asset-based term and being used to replace English Learners by National Association of English Learner Program Administrators (NAELPA) -**Question came up if CABE has considered changing bilingual to multilingual in their name?**

**4. Sharing Resources-**Shared with the committee the resource available through Early Edge- The Multilingual Toolkit: Resources for Supporting Pre K-3 Multilingual Children

### **II. Hispanic Caucus-**

**1.** We want to remind people about **Dolores Huerta Day on April 10<sup>th</sup>** and encourage all members to ensure their school districts have it on calendars so that educators can conduct exercises remembering the life of Dolores Huerta. We ask all to share the following link with lesson plans that are ready to use: <http://doloreshuerta.org/dolores-huerta-day-curriculum/>

### **III. CTA News-**

**1. Free VIRTUAL Conference-** There is free registration and CTA will pay for up to 3 free university credits! (This helps many move up on pay scales)

- **Good Teaching Conference North** – Jan. 29-30, Burlingame.- <https://www.cta.org/event/2022-gtcnorth>

**2. LCAP Plans-** Please make sure meetings are happening out there and that there is parent and student voice, especially at the high school level

**3. CA READS COMMITTEE-** Please look at teacher recommended books that can be used in your educational settings: <https://www.cta.org/get-involved/california-reads>

**4. Testing Successes-** Celebrating the removal of SAT/ACT from UC and CSU admissions, elimination of Grade 2 CAASPP testing, and abolishing the High School Exit exam.

**5. Community Schools-** CTA supports Community Schools because we believe students are the center of everything we do. Recently in the 2021 California state budget, \$3 billion was allocated for the expansion of community schools. For more information: <https://www.cta.org/our-advocacy/issues/community-schools>

### **IV. Legislation**

<b>CTA Sponsored Legislation:</b>	<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
<b>AB 1269 (C. Garcia – D):</b> Community colleges: part-time faculty.	CCA	Held in committee.

<b>CTA Co-Sponsored Legislation:</b>	<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
<b>AB 101 (Medina – D):</b> Pupil Instruction: high school graduation requirements: ethnic studies.	C&I	Signed by the Governor – Oct. 8, 2021.
<b>AB 388 (Medina – D):</b> Certificated school employees: probationary employees.	PR&R	Held in committee.
<b>AB 438 (Reyes – D):</b> School employees: classified employees: layoff notice and hearing.	NEG	Signed by the Governor – Oct. 8, 2021.
<b>AB 545 (Quirk – D):</b> University of California: major tax expenditures: research.	FPE	Held in committee.
<b>*AB 563 (Berman – D):</b> School-based health programs.	SPS	Two-year bill.
<b>SB 294 (Leyva – D):</b> Public retirement: leave of absence: service credit.	RET	Signed by the Governor – Oct. 5, 2021.

<b>CTA Supported Legislation:</b>	<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
<b>*AB 437 (Kalra – D):</b> Teacher credentialing: subject matter competence.	CPD	Two-year bill.
<b>AB 654 (Reyes – D):</b> COVID-19: exposure: notification	CRE	Signed by the Governor – October 6, 2021.
<b>AB 1316 (O'Donnell – D):</b> Financial and performance audits: independent study.	NEG	Two-year bill.
<b>AB 1400 (Kalra – D):</b> Guaranteed Health Care for All	CRE	Two-year bill.
<b>AJR 9 (Cooper – D):</b> Social Security	RET	Adopted by Assembly and filed with Secretary of State – July 15, 2021.
<b>HR 12 (Jones-Sawyer – D):</b> Relative to Black Lives Matter School Week of Action.	CRE	Adopted.
<b>SB 95 (Skinner – D):</b> Employment: COVID-19: supplemental paid sick leave until September 30, 2021.	NEG	Signed by the Governor – March 19, 2021.
<b>SB 744 (Glazer – D):</b> Communicable diseases: respiratory virus information.	CRE	Held in committee.

<b>CTA Supported Legislation:</b>	<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
<b>AB 84 (Ting – D):</b> Employment: rehiring and retention: displaced workers.	NEG	Re-referred to the Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee.
<b>*AB 312 (Seyarto – R):</b> Teacher credentialing: basic skills proficiency test: exemption.	CPD	Two-year bill.

<b>CTA Opposed Legislation:</b>	<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
<b>SB 237 (Portantino – D):</b> Special education: dyslexia risk screening.	AST	Two-year bill.

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