2024 ABMoC POLICY PRIORITIES

EDUCATION EQUITY

- **AB 2441 (KALRA): EMPOWER EDUCATORS, PROTECT STUDENTS**
  Eliminates state mandates that require educators to notify police of a broad range of student behaviors and incidents.

  *Co-Sponsors: ABMoC, ACLU Cal Action, Black Organizing Project, Black Parallel School Board, Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, Disability Rights California, Dolores Huerta Foundation, Public Counsel, Social Justice Learning Institute*

- **[BUDGET/IMPLEMENTATION] PROTECT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**
  Across the state, students, families and community organizations are working to ensure the $4.1 billion California Community School Partnership Program creates racially just, relationship-centered schools — where power and decision-making are shared with students, families, educators, and community — and investments promote police-free and restorative school cultures. [Extensive research shows](https://example.com) community schools reduce racial and economic equity gaps and improves academic achievement, graduation rates, student attendance, and student attitudes toward school. Protect the remaining $2.6 billion in CCSPP funding that students, families, educators and community are counting on to strengthen and transform schools.

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND JUSTICE

- **AB 2709 (BONTA): FAMILY UNITY**
  Strengthens visiting rights for Californians and their loved ones who are incarcerated in California’s state prisons, supporting the emotional health of incarcerated people and their families.

  *Co-Sponsors: The Coalition for Family Unity*

- **AUDIT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS (LEE)**
  Requests that the Joint Legislative Audit Committee approve an audit of law enforcement expenditures and make recommendations for employing alternative responses.
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YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND JUSTICE

- **SB 1057 (MENJIVAR): YOUTH JUSTICE EQUITY IN REPRESENTATION ACT**
  Would help California fully realize the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act’s vision by ensuring equitable representation and decision-making within county oversight bodies.

  **Co-sponsors:** ABMoC, Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice, Children’s Defense Fund-California, CURYJ, Fresh Lifelines for Youth, National Center for Youth Law, SBX Youth & Family Services

- **AB 2906 (BRYAN): PRESERVING BENEFITS FOR FOSTER YOUTH**
  Prevents counties from taking critical social security and survivor benefits from foster youth and ensures that supplemental security income goes directly to foster youth. This bill will ensure that youth are provided the financial support they need to successfully transition out of the system.

  **Co-Sponsors:** ABMoC, Youth Will, Alliance for Children’s Rights, Children’s Advocacy Institute, Children’s Law Center, Youth Law Center

ECONOMIC SECURITY

- **AB 2873 (E. GARCIA): PERMANENT FUNDING BREAKING BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE**
  Requests $5 million for an innovative workforce grant program that empowers community-based organizations to support people who face barriers to employment

  **Co-Sponsors:** ABMoC, California Immigrant Policy Center, California Workforce Association, CROP Organization

- **[IMPLEMENTATION/BUDGET] CALIFORNIA YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM**
  $65 million, over three years, to establish the Youth Apprenticeship Program, link together existing apprenticeship programs, and support with outreach and engagement of youth across the state.
HEALING TOGETHER AND GENDER JUSTICE

- **AB 3127 (MCKINNOR): CENTERING SURVIVOR SAFETY AND HEALTH**
  Improves access to healthcare for survivors by creating a survivor-centered, trauma-informed approach to care and limiting non-consensual and potentially dangerous referrals to law enforcement. In addition, requires that victims of domestic and sexual violence are referred to supportive survivor advocates who are trained in safety planning.

  **Co-Sponsors:** ABMoC, Futures Without Violence, UC Irvine Domestic Violence Law Clinic, California Partnership to End Domestic Violence, Culturally Responsive Domestic Violence Network, Los Angeles LGBT Center

- **SB 1126 (MIN): MANDATED REPORTING REFORM**
  Protects children and survivors by clarifying that mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect are not required to report to child protective services solely on the basis that a child is present in a home where domestic violence is occurring. Current law penalizes both survivors and their children, deters domestic violence victims from seeking help, and harms children by separating them from their parents.

  **Co-Sponsors:** ABMoC, Futures Without Violence, UC Irvine Domestic Violence Law Clinic, California Partnership to End Domestic Violence, Family Violence Appellate Project, Public Counsel