

---

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair  
2019 - 2020 Regular Session

---

### SB 1232 (Glazer) - CalWORKs: postsecondary education

**Version:** May 21, 2020

**Policy Vote:** HUMAN S. 6 - 0

**Urgency:** No

**Mandate:** Yes

**Hearing Date:** June 18, 2020

**Consultant:** Samantha Lui

**Bill Summary:** Senate 1232 would require an eligible CalWORKs recipient receive a standard allowance of \$250 per semester to \$500 per quarter for books and college supplies, and to not be required to enter a welfare-to-work plan, except to receive any supportive services, complete job club, nor complete a specified assessment. Would require CDSS to adopt regulations by January 1, 2023.

\*\*\*\*\* **ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE** \*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments  
adopted by the committee on June 18, 2020

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

- Cost pressures, as the bill's amendments make it subject to a budget appropriation, of one-time \$1.3 million for SAWS automation changes (Office of Systems Integration), which may be spread over outyears, depending on the implementation timing.
- Cost pressures for limited-term, potentially ten thousands for CDSS staff resources to promulgate regulations.
- County welfare departments currently provide reimbursement to students for educational expenses, and this bill would change the point in time at which funds are disbursed to the participant. In addition, CalWORKs employment services are based on actual expenditures, so reimbursements to clients are captured in methodology.

**Committee Amendments:** The committee amendments would make the bill operative if funds are appropriated in the annual Budget Act or another statute of its purposes.

-- END --