
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
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AB 2524 (Gipson) - Pupils: work permits: issuance

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Urgency: No

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Policy Vote: ED. 7 - 0

Mandate: No

Consultant: Lenin Del Castillo

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes county probation departments and county child welfare agencies to issue work permits to certain youth under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. The bill establishes requirements governing the issuance, recognition, notification, and revocation of those work permits and authorizes educational rights holders and attorneys representing eligible youth to request work permits on behalf of those youth.

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

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026

Fiscal Impact: The bill's authorization for county probation departments and county child welfare agencies to issue work permits is permissive. However, the entities that elect to do so will likely incur additional administrative costs. For example, they would need to develop new procedures to issue the work permits, train staff, and track and monitor the youth that have been issued permits. The extent of these costs would largely depend on the number of participating county probation departments and county welfare agencies, as well as the number of permits issued each year. This could lead to additional General Fund cost pressures, potentially in the hundreds of thousands of dollars each year.

Author Amendments: Add legislative findings and declarations regarding access to workforce development opportunities for youth and requirements under existing law for child welfare and probation staff to receive training to assist the juveniles they monitor with workforce development and transition-age youth services.

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