Date of Hearing: May 6, 2026

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
Buffy Wicks, Chair
AB 2693 (Alvarez) – As Amended April 23, 2026

Policy Committee: Higher Education Vote: 10 - 0

Urgency: No State Mandated Local Program: Yes Reimbursable: Yes

SUMMARY:

This bill adds the names "Cal Poly Maritime" and "Cal Poly Maritime Academy" to the list of abbreviated names for educational institutions of the California State University (CSU), which are property of the state.

FISCAL EFFECT:

No new state costs.

COMMENTS:

The CSU Maritime Academy, also known as Cal Maritime, is the only degree-granting maritime academy on the west coast. Due to declining enrollment in recent years and rising operation and staffing costs, the CSU determined maintaining Cal Maritime as a standalone institution was no longer feasible. As a result, the CSU Board of Trustees voted in 2024 to integrate Cal Maritime with Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. This arrangement allows Cal Maritime to maintain its federally regulated licensure programs and its role in national and economic security. Formal integration completes in fall 2026 at which point Cal Maritime students will enroll as Cal Poly students under Cal Poly's administrative structure, budget, academic senate, student association, alumni association, and foundation. This bill codifies Cal Maritime's name change.

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