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Community Food Bank Legislative Agenda: 2016

Federal Priorities-Feeding America

Current Law:

1. Child Nutrition Reauthorization
2. SNAP/Farm Bill
3. TEFAP/TEFAP Storage and Distribution
4. Bonus Commodities

Pending Legislation-

1. America Gives More Act (no bill number)

State Priorities-CAFB

Current Law:

1. Establish State EITC-California EITC (SB 80): Provides an earned income tax credit for all eligible, low-income individuals.

Pending Legislation:

1. *The Farm to Food Bank Tax Credit (AB 515)*: vetoed in October 2015, this bill would expand the items being donated to food banks eligible for a tax credit, and would change the valuation method for the food items being donated.
2. *State Emergency Food Assistance Program (AB 152)*: vetoed May 2015, this bill would create an
3. *Streamline CalFresh Eligibility (AB 297)*: The bill would require the State Department of Social Services to coordinate with county human services agencies to make available a standard technological solution that has the capacity to store telephonic and electronic signatures, as specified, and eliminate barriers for CalFresh enrollment for eligible individuals.
4. *SFSP Resource List (AB 608)*: provides recipients of CalFresh benefits information on SFSP sites
5. *Establish Grant Making Program-EBT Benefits (AB 1321)*: This bill would establish the Nutrition Incentive Matching Grant Program in the Office of Farm to Fork, and would create the Nutrition Incentive Matching Grant Account in the Department of Food and Agriculture Fund to collect matching funds received from a specified federal grant program and funds from other public and private sources, to encourage the purchase and consumption of California fresh fruits, nuts, and vegetables by nutrition benefit clients, as defined
6. *Raise SSP Grants (AB 474)*: Improves food security for nearly 1 million Californians by permanently raising SSP grants to 112% of the Federal Poverty Level.