



CASBO LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR FOR EDUCATION VENDORS

Aligning Your Outreach with California's
Policy and Budget Cycle

Use this month-by-month guide to time your advocacy and relationship-building efforts with school district partners, the Legislature, and other education leaders. This calendar blends the state policy cycle with practical vendor actions to help your work support education outcomes and compliance.

Month		Activities	Action
January	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Legislature reconvenesBills begin to surfaceGovernor's Budget released	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review introduced billsReview Governor's BudgetFollow CASBO's NewsBreak for timely news throughout the year
February	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bill introduction (deadline mid-month)Budget Trailer Bill released	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review introduced bills and the Budget Trailer Bill languageShare relevant insights with clients or CASBO colleagues to support advocacy efforts
March and April	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Policy committees meet and hear billsBudget hearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Offer real-world examples or case studies to demonstrate the impact and cost of legislation or budget proposalsMonitor funding changes of potential impactConsider watching hearings or CASBO budget briefings to better understand the policies under considerations
May	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fiscal committees meet and hear billsMay Revision releasedBudget hearings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review May Revision
June	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Final Budget AdoptedPolicy Committees meet and hear bills	
July	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Policy committees meet and hear bills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Offer real-world examples or case studies to demonstrate the impact and cost of legislation or budget proposals
August	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fiscal committees meet and hear bills	
September	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Floor SessionGovernor reviews and signs or vetoes bills	
October - December	>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Legislature in recess	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Distribute a legislative wrap-up summaryConduct end-of-year client check-ins to identify advocacy or implementation prioritiesStart reviewing your clients' policy goals for the upcoming year

Why This Matters: Understanding the California education policy cycle builds your credibility, deepens client trust, and positions your team as a proactive partner in delivering effective solutions to schools.



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