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FACCC-Sponsored AB 1171 (Patel) Held in Senate Appropriations

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) is disappointed that AB 1171 (Patel), legislation to increase access to health care for California community college part-time faculty, was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee's suspense file.

AB 1171 would have taken an important step toward addressing the longstanding health care access challenges faced by part-time faculty, who play an essential role in educating California's community college students but often lack access to affordable, comprehensive health coverage.

"We are disappointed that AB 1171 will not move forward," said Stephanie Goldman, FACCC Executive Director. "Part-time faculty are a vital part of California's community colleges, and access to affordable health care should not depend on whether someone teaches full-time or part-time. We are grateful to Assemblymember Patel for championing this legislation and will continue working with legislators and our partners to find a path forward."

FACCC remains committed to expanding access to quality health care for part-time faculty and will continue advocating for policies that recognize and support the essential contributions of part-time community college faculty.

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