

**ACADEMIC SENATE
OF
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

AS-3012-11/FGA (Rev)
March 16-17, 2011

**Support of AB 130 (Cedillo) Student Financial Aid: Eligibility:
California Dream Act of 2011**

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) support AB 130 (Cedillo, D-Los Angeles) the California Dream Act of 2011, which would allow students attending any of California's public institutions of higher education and who are exempt from paying nonresident tuition under existing law, to be eligible for scholarships derived from nonstate funds intended for scholarships that are received by the higher education segment at which they are students; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU distribute this resolution to the CSU Board of Trustees, the CSU Chancellor, campus Presidents, campus Senate Chairs, California Faculty Association, University of California President, California Community Colleges Chancellor, California State Student Association, and Assemblymember Cedillo.

RATIONALE: Under the Donahoe Higher Education Act students qualify for in-state tuition at public colleges and universities in California regardless of their immigration status if they: 1. Attend high school for three or more years in California; 2. graduate from a California high school or get a GED; and 3. if undocumented, file a prescribed affidavit. AB 130 would allow any student attending, and exempt from paying nonresident tuition to, any of California's three public institutions of higher education, to be eligible for scholarships funded by monies donated to the segments specifically for scholarships. Language in the bill states that increased access to financial aid for all students in California's universities and colleges increases the state's collective productivity and economic growth.

The ASCSU has a record of supporting the principle that persons without lawful immigration status be exempt from paying nonresident tuition in California's public institutions of higher education (AS-2802-07/FGA). This legislation would extend that principle to include eligibility for non-state funded scholarships for all students paying nonresident tuition. Support for this resolution would also allow the ASCSU to join our California State University and California Faculty Association colleagues in support of AB 130.

Sources:

AB 130 (http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/11-12/bill/asm/ab_0101-0150/ab_130_bill_20110502_amended_asm_v95.pdf)

AS-2802-07/FGA (<http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/2006-2007/documents/2802.pdf>)

“Legislative Report No. 2,” California State University Board of Trustees Committee on Governmental Relations Agenda, Tuesday March 22, 2011
(<http://www.calstate.edu/bot/agendas/mar11/GovRel.pdf>)

Conversation with John Travis, California Faculty Association Representative to the Academic Senate California State University, March 17, 2011

Approved Unanimously – May 5-6, 2011