



LOBBY CORPS MEETING

April 15, 2021 4:30 p.m.

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- I. Call to Order- 4:30 PM.**
- II. Approval of Minutes from April 1, 2021. Approved.**
- III. Discussion Item -**
 - a. [AB 403 – \(Bonta, Kalra, and Salas\)](#) Fair Access to College Textbook Act
 - i. Overview of the bill: work to be more upfront about textbook costs, would require mandated fees to be opt-in and for bookstores to showcase the lowest cost option first in addition to ensuring all materials are available by the first day of instruction.
 1. The committee discussed how discussions like this have occurred before to discuss how to make sure materials are available to all students. The campus bookstore did a program similar to this that was opt-out of a mandated cost, not opt-in. Other members discussed how there should be awareness of free materials, such as the library and the online database. Other members asked if these opt-in programs are just for class materials that are labs, or if it applies to all majors.
 - b. [AB 1421 – \(Nguyen\)](#) Public Postsecondary Education: Refunds of Student Campus Fees
 - i. Overview of the bill: the author’s office stated that this will be a 2 year bill, and there is no fact sheet. In addition, the legislation info webpage is inaccurate. Within the next two years, it is likely that the language will change. The bill in its current form advocates for any mandatory campus fee that was charged but could not be utilized by the student due to the stay-at-home order brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic should be refunded to the student.
 1. Possible that this bill will become a spot bill if the budget makes it not feasible.



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- c. [AB 1002 - \(Choi\)](#) Postsecondary Education: Course Credit for Prior Military Education, Training, and Service
 - i. Overview: This assembly bill would give college credit to military personnel looking to transfer to a CSU through the Joint Services Transcript. Would ensure the UC and CSU have the same transfer unit pathway for these credits.
 - 1. Other bills are looking to simplify the transfer process to UCs and CSUs as well, and this bill seems to be an extension of the bill that allowed military medical training to be counted as transfer credits.

IV. Action Item -

- a. [AB 1467 - \(Cervantes\) Student safety](#): sexual assault procedures and protocols: sexual assault counselors
 - i. Move to Table this bill until the April 29th meeting.
 - 1. Hearings on this bill are starting to be cancelled, and the office has not been responsive in sending over fact sheets, so it is possible this bill will also be a spot bill or will die in committee.
 - a. Vote in Favor to Table: Noah, Joseph, Jose, Wayne, Samantha
 - b. Vote against: none
- b. [AB 1377 - \(McCarty\) Student housing](#): California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2021: community college student housing
 - i. Move to Support AB 1377
 - 1. Overview: This bill will help expand student housing by establishing the Student Housing Revolving Fund, and will provide technical assistance to community colleges to assist them in building student housing.
 - a. This bill is starting to be discussed at CSSA.
 - b. Vote in favor: Samantha, Noah, Jose, Joseph, Wayne
 - c. Votes against: none
- c. [AB 1456 - \(Medina & McCarty\) Student financial aid](#): Cal Grant Reform Act
 - i. Move to support AB 1456.
 - 1. Overview: Would modernize the Cal Grant system by removing arbitrary barriers such as age, GPA, and time out of



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high school. Would establish Cal Grant 2 and Cal Grant 4 for community colleges and four year universities respectfully.

- a. Cal Grant reform has taken years of work to get to the point where there is legislation being considered by the state assembly, and it is an important bill. The UCSA, SSCCC, and now CSSA all support AB 1456 so there is a large student support behind this bill.
- b. Vote in favor: Noah, Samantha, Wayne, Joseph, and Jose
- c. Votes against: none

d. [AB 1290 - \(Lee\) Student Aid Commissions](#)

i. Move to Support AB 1290.

1. Overview: This bill would add four student representatives to the Student Aid Commission, one from the Community Colleges, CSUs, UCs, and private schools respectively.
 - a. Students at different higher education institutions may have different financial needs than others, and this is a way to give them a voice.
 - b. Vote to Support: Noah, Samantha, Jose, Joseph, Wayne
 - c. Votes against: none

V. Announcements

- a. Capital Lobby Day: May 4, 5, and 6. the flyer with more information will be sent out with the next Lobby Corps agenda and minutes. The meetings will be 20-30 minutes. Students are not required to attend all day, and this is a great way to meet with legislators. Any questions, please contact the Lobby Corps chair.
- b. April CIVIC Challenges were sent out to the Lobby Corps and ASI Board. Please participate where you can to make sure your voice is heard and help our campus win the challenge. April is the last month to participate.
 - i. If you call into the committee, make sure you get there early in case they cut off public comment early.
- c. The next ASI working board meeting on April 21 will have Provost Perez come and speak about where we are as a campus. Students are encouraged to attend to ask questions and voice their concerns.

VI. Adjournment- 5:11 PM



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