

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY  
FORTY-FOURTH SENATE  
SESSION XV  
DECEMBER 10, 2014**

**RESOLUTION #4428  
RESOLUTION IMPROVING OUTCOME BASED FUNDING MODEL**

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**SPONSORED BY:** Samuel Laffey, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Filipp Dedogryuk, Senator, College of Natural Sciences; Yunus Ozekin, Senator, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Lora Elliott, Assistant Director of Community Affairs; Madison Gruber, Deputy Director of Community Affairs; Hugo Pasillas, Chief of Staff; Lauren Wester, Deputy Chief of Staff; Sam Guinn, President

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**ENDORSED BY:** ASCSU Department of Governmental Affairs

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**WHEREAS**

On December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Joint Budget Committee released the FY 2015-16 Staff Budget Briefing for the Department of Higher Education highlighting the state funding model for Colorado Higher Education Institutions related to House Bill 14-1319; and,

**WHEREAS**

The performance metric of the HB 14-1319 EAG Recommended Funding Model accounts for a comparably smaller portion of the total model funding allocated to Colorado State University Board, 17.6%, while other institutions in Colorado account for a larger portion of the funding in the performance pot such as Adams State, Western State and Fort Lewis at 35.6%, 40.2% and 40.8% respectively; and,

**WHEREAS**

The current draft model does not address the issue of current tuition rates for institutions and its incorporation into the model as the rate of tuition is of the utmost importance in ensuring both affordable and accessible higher education for Colorado residents; and,

**WHEREAS**

The percentage change in total allocation to Colorado State University in the previous FY 2014-15 to FY 2015-16 is 9.08% while the percentage change across all institutions range from 2.94% for University of Northern Colorado to 16.38% for Metro State University as stated in HB 14-1319 EAG Recommended Model; so,

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University urge that the Joint Budget Committee, Funding Allocation Model Team (FAMET) and Cost Driver Analysis Team strive to more effectively equalize the funding across all institutions related to performance metrics [completion, retention and up to four additional performance metrics the commission may consider including but not limited to, workforce placement, closing the achievement gap, limiting student loan debt, etc.] and its proportion to the total allocation to more closely align with the institutional role and mission of Colorado Commission on Higher Education; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED**

That respective committees and teams tasked with establishing the measures of funding related to HB 14-1319 address the effects of current tuition levels and how they can be included in the model to better represent the goals and mission of Colorado in providing accessible and affordable higher education; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED**

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Jenn Penn, ASCSU Lobbyist; Rich Schweigert, Chief Financial Officer CSU University System; Dr. Tony Frank, Colorado State University President; Mary Stromberger, Faculty Council Chair; Michael V. Martin, Colorado State University System Chancellor; Dr. Katherine Leigh, Chair of Committee on Strategic and Financial Planning

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