

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
FORTY-SIXTH SENATE
TWENTIETH SESSION
FEBURARY 1ST, 2017**

**BILL #4614
IN SUPPORT OF THE SWIPE OUT HUNGER CAMPAIGN**

SPONSORED BY:

WRITTEN BY: Edward Kendall, Speaker Pro Tempore;

COLLABORATED WITH:

ENDORSED BY: Internal Affairs Committee, University Issues Committee;

ABSTRACT: The following bill creates the necessary infrastructure to support the continued maintenance and operation of the Swipe Out Hunger Program which is to be integrated under the Associated Students of Colorado State University umbrella.

WHEREAS

On December 10th 1948, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) under which a strong precedent for deeming food security a right was created as referenced in Article 25 of the document which states,

“Art 21, (1), Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing ...”

;and,

WHEREAS

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in its 1996 World Food Summit described that,

“food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life”

Identifying the following definition points delimiting the dimensions of food security,

Food Availability: The availability of sufficient quantities of food of appropriate quality

Food Access: Access by individuals to adequate resources for acquiring appropriate food for a nutritious diet, given legal, political, economic and social arrangements

Utilization: Utilization of food through adequate diet, clean water, sanitation and health care to reach a state of nutritional well-being

Stability: To be food secure, a population, household or individual must have access to adequate food at all times. They should not risk losing access to food as a consequence of sudden shocks, or cyclical events. The concept of food stability can therefore refer to both the availability and access dimension of food security.

; and,

WHEREAS

While food insecurity may often be seen as a problem of poverty stricken nations alone, the problem is sadly all too familiar at home. In fact, it is estimated that approximately 1 in 10 students at Colorado State University (CSU) are subject of food insecurity and its associated challenges; and,

WHEREAS

The decision to access quality food in sufficient quantities, may, in some cases contradict such educational necessities as textbooks, paper, course costs, and other expenses related to a college education, resulting in a high opportunity cost which on a daily basis is placing students in the tragic situation of choosing between their education and their multi-dimensional physical well-being; and,

WHEREAS

Even when a student chooses education over food on the table, the lack of quality and quantity of nutritious food directly impacts a student's ability to live a quality life and to succeed educationally, two things fundamental to the land grant mission of the University that should not be mutually exclusive; and,

WHEREAS

The burden is upon us as leaders, and a community to devise creative solutions to the problems that our fellow students are battling each and every day; and,

WHEREAS

In fall 2014 CSU Students did exactly that with the launch of the Swipe Out Hunger program which seeks to address food security in the community by taking excess meal swipes from CSU Dining and purchasing non-perishable goods for donation to the Food Bank of Larimer County, an essential source of food to the community, including CSU Students; and,

WHEREAS

This campaign is in danger of discontinuing without the unique resources of ASCSU, with which the organization will become a great asset; and,

WHEREAS

It is preponderant for the Associated Students of Colorado State University to support these initiatives, and find or create others like it to address this problem with solutions as varied and diverse as the problem they are designed to solve; and,

WHEREAS

The specific character of this campaign is in line with the values of the organization and represents the pinnacle of student driven solutions through creative entrepreneurial and charitable effort; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY BE ENACTED

That the Forty-Sixth Senate make a strong statement about our willingness to address the problem and approves the attached job description of the ASCSU Swipe Out Hunger Coordinator and Delivery Specialists, thereby absorbing the current Swipe Out Hunger Program, Appendix Items 2 and 3; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER BE ENACTED

That the money to stipend one ASCSU Swipe Out Hunger Coordinator and four Delivery Specialists according to the amount listed in the job description, be pulled from the Senate General Discretionary wherever it may reside and be allocated to the Senate earmark of the ASCSU Payroll, account 23-61400; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER BE ENACTED

That a total of \$750 be allocated into the Senate account, account 23-61500, under a new earmark heading to be titled "*Swipe Out Hunger Expenses*" in accordance with the proposed FY17 ASCSU Swipe Out Hunger Coordinator's budget as attached in Appendix Item 4.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER BE ENACTED

That the Swipe Out Hunger Coordinator be an executive position hired through the normal executive hiring process to report to the Director of Health for human resource concerns; and,

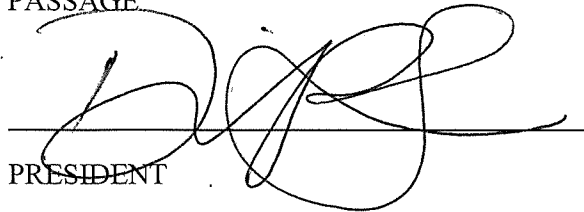
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That two specialists will be hired to maintain each location. Further, Senate will elect senators to assist with the program. Senators involved in the specialist process will be compensated with office hours credit based on the time allocated to the process.

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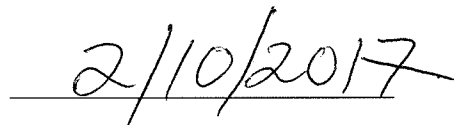
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