



THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

26<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST SENATE  
20 APRIL 2022

**BILL #5118**  
**Supporting the Bike Security Package**

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COLLABORATED WITH: Heather Reimer, The Spoke; Erika Benti, Parking and Transportation Services; Jay Callaghan, Captain, CSUPD; Frank Johnson, Captain, CSUPD; ATFAB

ENDORSED BY: John Williamson, Director of Campus Engagement, ASCSU; Noah Burge, Senator, College of Business; Alejandra Quesada-Stoner, Director of Health, ASCSU; Rob Long, Senator, College of Business; Elijah Sandoval, Senator, First Generation Student Collective Board; Bailey Shephard, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Sammy Trout, Senator, College of Liberal Arts

*Abstract: This bill seeks to move \$14,062.50 from the Senate Discretionary Fund to the Alternative Transportation Fee Advisory Board (ATFAB) to support funding the Bike Security Package ATFAB proposal.*

**WHEREAS**

Bike theft is a recurring issue for students on CSU's campus, with over 500 bikes stolen from 2018 to 2021, totaling \$350,000; and,

**WHEREAS**

First talking about U-Locks, traditional cable bike locks are easier for thieves to break into with simple tools such as wire cutters, hacksaws, etc., and advanced bike locks such as heavy chains and U-Locks cost; and,

**WHEREAS**

U-Locks are known to be effective in preventing bike theft by making the task either impossible or time consuming for thieves to steal a bike, including any bike part the U-Lock is around. For example, it took

CSUPD 1 ½ minutes to cut the Maddox U-Lock from Rocky Mounts using a plug-in, electric grinder; and,

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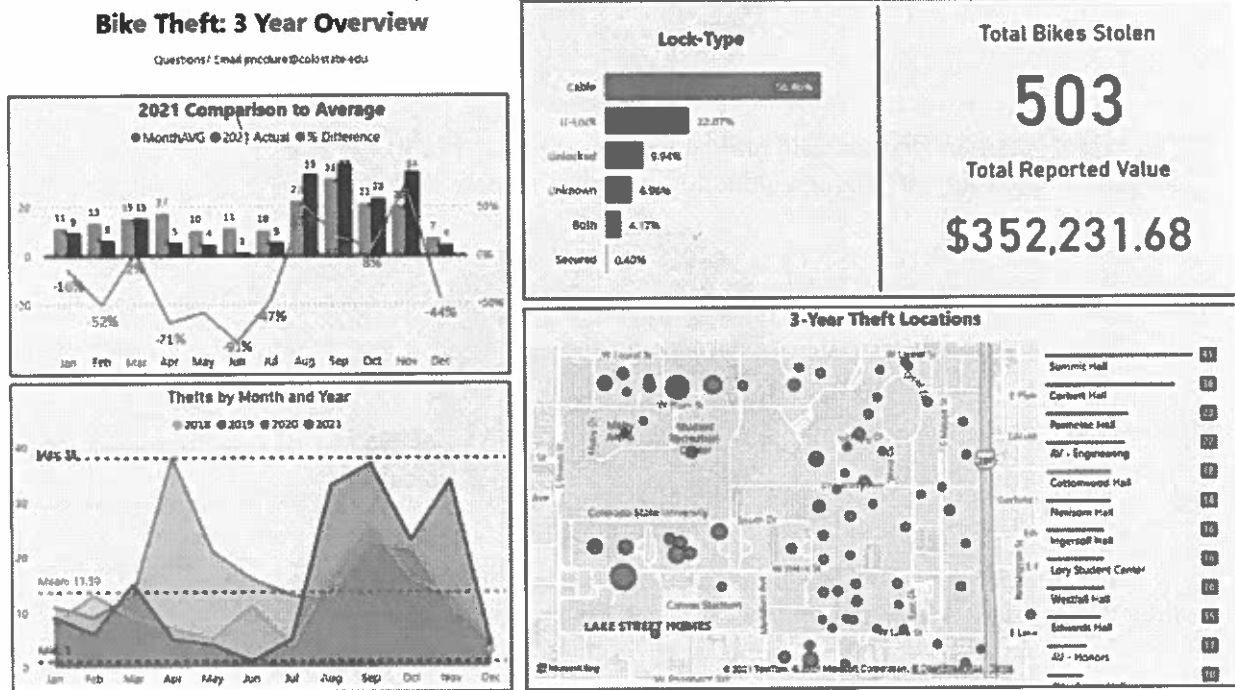
Of the bikes stolen on campus from 2018 to 2021, 70% were NOT secured with a U-Lock or secured properly with a U-Lock; and,

WHEREAS

U-Locks are not the end all solution, but only one part of the solution towards reaching bike security on campus. The other solution we wish to employ is adding bike cameras around campus in high theft locations; and,

WHEREAS

Experts, community members, CSUPD, and students have all spoken in support of implementing bike cameras around campus, recognizing the limited benefits of U-Locks, like their inability to deter theft of handle bars, back or front wheels, pedals, bike lights, and many other bike accessories. Bike cameras resolve this exact issue by deterring theft in these locations, and also allowing thieves that take a while taking parts to be more easily caught. Bike camera locations were determined by ASCSU representatives who did a walkthrough of campus and had conversations with RHA, utilizing the attached data that CSUPD provided:

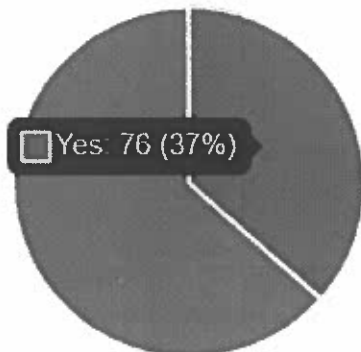


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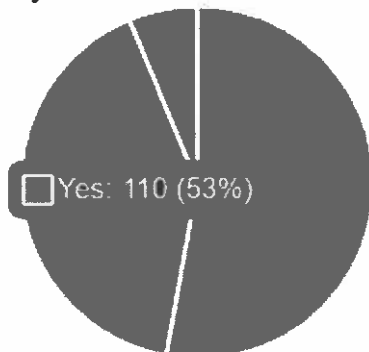
WHEREAS

ASCSU tabled, seeking student input and signatures if supportive of the bike security package, the results of the survey and endorsement sheets are as follows:

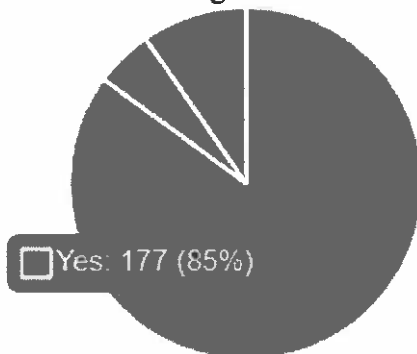
- 76 of 208 students claimed to have had their own bike or know a friend who has had their bike stolen.



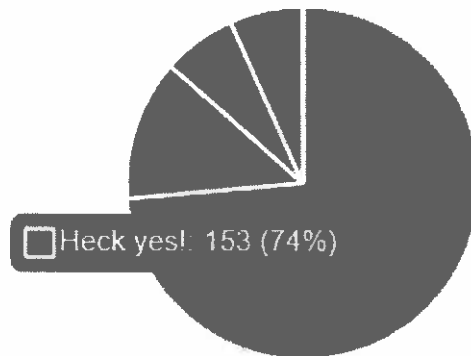
- 110 students claimed to have their bikes registered with CSUPD, with 85 not registered or not having a bike, and 13 not knowing it was necessary.



- 177 of 208 students support adding bike security cameras to campus, with 141 student signatures of endorsement from all around campus.



- 153 of 208 students responded enthusiastically that they would be more likely to register their bike if they received a free U-Lock with registration.



- 135 students signed their names on a petition in support of the U-lock project. ; so,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED**

That in support of this initiative, Senate shall move \$10,000 from the Senate Discretionary Fund to the Alternative Transportation Fee Advisory Board for the purpose of providing U-Locks to students on campus; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That in support of this initiative, Senate shall move \$4,062.50 to ATFAB to fund the bike camera outside of AV Engineering; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That a new bullet point be added to the Director of Campus Community under the “Summer- Job Specific Tasks and Responsibilities” section that states “Prepare the U-Lock distribution program, working with the SDPS offices, The Spoke, and CSUPD, creating 2 QR codes- one for registering a bike, and one for when a student’s bike is stolen, as well as preparing educational resources and trackable stickers.”; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That a new bullet point be added to the Director of Campus Community under the “Fall/Spring- Job Specific Tasks and Responsibilities” section that states “Implement the U-Lock distribution program, working with the SDPS offices to provide information and refill their supply of U-locks, as well as working with The Spoke and CSUPD to provide information, create 2 QR codes- one for registering a bike, and one for when a student’s bike is stolen, as well as preparing educational resources and trackable stickers and analyzing the results of these interventions through the second semester.”; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That ASCSU Deputy Director of University Issues (University Affairs) will work with Erika Benti from PTS and CSUPD to analyze the results of these interventions through the second semester of the 2023 - 2024 school year, which will be reported to ASCSU and ATFAB; so,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That ASCSU will ensure SDPS offices have first hands on U-Locks for their students, and that their supplies will be refilled by their respective senators whenever requested by the offices; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

If funding for this bill is not utilized by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, then the funds will be returned to the ASCSU Fund Balance.

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**PASSAGE AND ENACTMENT OF BILL #5118**

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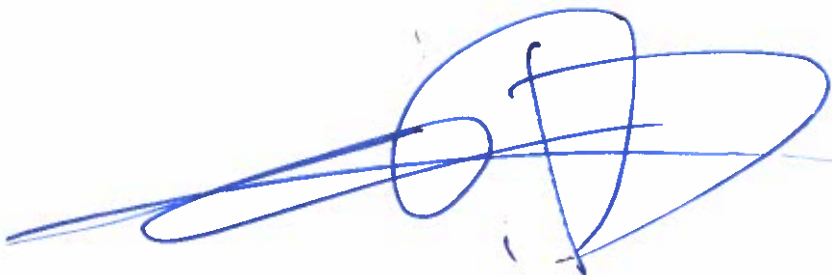
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**ASCSU PRESIDENT CHRISTIAN DYKSON**

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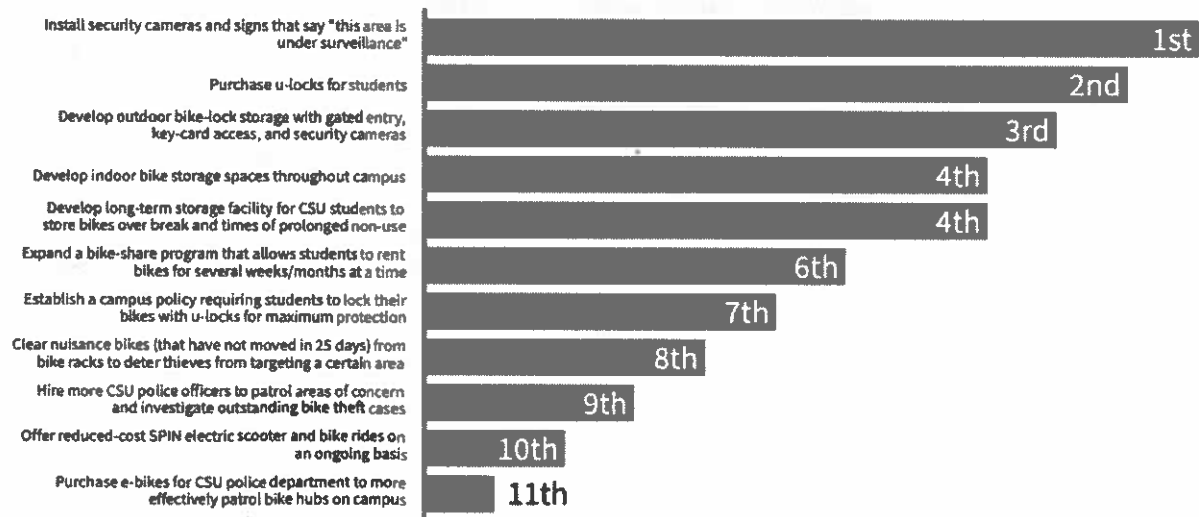
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**THAT A COPY OF THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO**

- Joyce McConnell, Colorado State University President
  - Aaron Fodge, ATFAB Advisor
  - Erika Benti, Parking and Transportation Services
  - Mark Kohn and Helen Flynn, Co-Chairs of ATFAB
  - Jay Callaghan, CSUPD Captain
  - Frank Johnson, CSUPD Captain
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RESOURCES

# Which strategy should CSU employ to decrease bike thefts?



January 20, 2022. Preliminary data on which strategies the university should employ to combat bike theft. Survey received 29 responses from various campus experts (Parking/Transportation and CSUPD), as well as various CSU student leaders. As shown above, purchasing u-locks was ranked #2 (out of 11).