



THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

EMERGENCY SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH SENATE

March 6th 2025

**RESOLUTION #5409
STUDENT PROTECTION ACT**

NOTICE: *A signature to sponsor means that you only wish for the legislation to be heard, a signature to endorse means that you support the contents and/or actions of this legislation.*

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ENDORSED BY: Emily Reese, President of the College of Liberal Arts Representative Council; Jessica Gray, Senator, Student Disability Center; Ferrin Jaudon, Associate Senator, Pride Resource Center; Kevin Melchior, Senator, Adult Learners and Veteran Services; Frankie Salazar, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Sammy Trout, CSU Alumni, Co-Founder & Chair-Emeritus, Accessibility Caucus, Commissioner, Denver Commission for People with Disabilities; University Affairs Committee; Yoseline Rivera, Senator, El Centro; Lina Alvarez, Senator, El Centro; Internal Affairs Committee; Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Affairs Committee; Enock full name and titles here;

ABSTRACT: *This Bill aims to call upon the University Administration to codify protections for marginalized students in wake of the election and inauguration of Donald Trump*

WHEREAS

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On November 5th, 2024, Former President Donald Trump of the Republican Party was elected as the 47th President of the United States with a majority vote of both the Electoral College and the general populace; and,

WHEREAS

Both during his first term as president and his 2024 campaign made numerous promises and attacks against marginalized individuals, such as Women, BIPOCs, LGBTQ+ and Undocumented people to name a few; and,

WHEREAS

President Trump has demonstrated support for the controversial Project 2025¹ and his own Agenda 47², which states intentions to strip marginalized people of their rights, including but not limited to plans for rolling back protections of gender identity, cutting off access to reproductive health to name a few; and,

WHEREAS

According to data from the Office of Inclusive Excellence, CSU is home to approximately 8,162 students³ (23.9% of the general population) who are racial minorities, as well as the 1,560 international students (4.5% of the general population); and,

WHEREAS

Noted in the CSU Land Grant Acknowledgement, "CSU is a land-grant institution, and we accept that our mission must encompass access to education and inclusion,"⁴ thus emphasizing the importance of extension of educational programming beyond students and into the community. These marginalized students deserve access to education as outlined in the Land Acknowledgment and the University commitment to Diversity; and,

WHEREAS

Trump's rescission of Biden Era policies such as EO 14050⁵ and subsequent rapid fire executive orders go against the University's values of Integrity, Respect, Social Justice, Service and Inclusion; and,

WHEREAS

Trump's manhunt across federal databases for any discussion of the climate crisis, LGBTQ+ Research, and reproductive rights⁶ harms the students and faculty's ability to effectively research the world around them. Which harms the University's effectiveness as a research university; and,

WHEREAS

Trump, in his first few days in office has already begun to roll back rights for minorities across the nation via his rapid fire executive orders attacking DEI programs⁷, Gender Affirming Care⁸, and the most vulnerable populations both on campus and in the community, making time of the essence to help protect our marginalized students.

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THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university and its leadership to uphold its promises of equal educational opportunity to students threatened and affected by the current Administration through the following methods; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university to uphold its protections for LGBTQ+ students, by keeping the pronoun statement, upholding Biden Era discrimination definitions⁹, ensuring the continued provision of Gender Affirming care, and the continued recognition of multiple genders outside the binary¹⁰; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university to uphold its protections for BIPOC students, via upholding multicultural education, continuing policies from EO 14050, upholding Biden Era discrimination definitions, and protection of students against police brutality; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university to uphold its protections for women, by continued protection and provision of birth control, the upholding of the Biden Era Title IX rules¹¹ and definitions, and continued protections of students via upholding discrimination rules; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university to remain steadfast in their commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. And that the Cultural Resource Centers will remain operational and funded, and that they be protected from the 3%/5%/7% budget cut option in fiscal year 2026; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU calls upon the university and its leadership to publicly make known its commitment to their students and the continued protection of their rights and liberties on campus; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That ASCSU extends invites upon the stakeholders in the Office of the President to attend sessions and or hold guest presentations in the ASCSU senate space; and,

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THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Amy Parsons, Colorado State University President; Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Tony Frank, Chancellor of the CSU System; Marion Underwood, Provost and Executive Vice President; Dr. Kauline Cipriani, Vice President for Inclusive Excellence; Brendon Hanlon, Vice President for University Operations; Kevin MacLennan, Vice President for Enrollment and Access; James Pritchett, Vice President for Engagement and Extension; Scott Roberts, Vice President for University Advancement; Dr. Carolyn Lawrence-Dill, Dean for the College of Agricultural Sciences; Dr. Quateze Scott, Assistant Dean for Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity in Agriculture; Dr. Beth Walker, Dean for the College of Business; Dr. Allen Robinson, Dean for the Walter Scott, Jr. College of Engineering; Professor Lise Youngblade, Dean for the College of Health and Human Sciences; Professor Michelle Foster, Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice for the College of Health and Human Sciences; Dr. Kjerstin Thorson, Dean, College of Liberal Arts; Professor A. Alonso Aguirre, Dean, Warner College of Natural Resources; Professor Jacob Roberts, Interim Dean, College of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences; Professor Sue VandeWoude, Dean, College of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences; Laurel Halsey, Executive Director of the Health Center; Dr. Adam Sargent, Director of Counseling Services; Chris Leck, Director of Specialty Counseling Services; Jamie Moyer, Associate Director of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice; Dr. Jay Kurth, Director of Medical Services

**PASSAGE AND ENACTMENT OF RESOLUTION 5409
SESSION OF PASSAGE**

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Yays-Nays-Abstentions

Passed with unanimous consent

SENATE PASSAGE DATE

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3/10/2025

ASCSU SPEAKER OF THE SENATE HAYDEN TAYLOR DATE

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ASCSU PRESIDENT

DATE

RESOURCES

Use this section to place any relevant citations and/or resources used in the producing of this legislation.

1. <https://www.project2025.org/>
2. <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/agenda47>
3. <https://app.powerbi.com/reportEmbed?reportId=072b9528-b4ba-4a9c-9f08-d9722b76b78f&autoAuth=true&ctid=afb58802-ff7a-4bb1-ab21-367ff2ecfc8b>
4. <https://landacknowledgment.colostate.edu/>
5. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/10/22/2021-23224/white-house-initiative-on-advancing-educational-equity-excellence-and-economic-opportunity-for-black>
6. <https://insideclimatenews.org/news/04022025/todays-climate-trump-climate-data-purge-archive/>
7. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/initial-rescissions-of-harmful-executive-orders-and-actions/>
8. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/protecting-children-from-chemical-and-surgical-mutilation/>
9. <https://www.lgbtqnation.com/2025/02/trump-administration-declares-title-ix-does-not-protect-trans-students-from-discrimination/>
10. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/defending-women-from-gender-ideology-extremism-and-restoring-biological-truth-to-the-federal-government/>
11. <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/government/politics-elections/2025/02/03/departament-education-reverts-trumps-title-ix-rule>

THAT THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO

Amy Parsons, President of Colorado State University
Tony Frank, Chancellor of the Colorado State University System
Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs of Colorado State University
Evan Welch, Talent Development Specialist, ASCSU Advisor
Lindsay Mason, Director of Off-Campus Life, ASCSU Advisor
Ben Schrader, Director of the Adult Learner and Veteran Services, ASCSU Advisor
Jason Hewitt, ASCSU Advisor
Elisa Randazzo, ASCSU Administrative Assistant
Sagarika Sarma, Interim Director of the Asian Pacific American Cultural Center
Duan Ruff, Director, Student Leadership Involvement and Community Engagement
Dr. Jennifer Molock, Director, Black/African American Cultural Center
Aaron Escobedo Garmon, Director of El Centro
Maggie Hendrickson, Director of the Pride Resource Center
Tyrone Smith, Director of the Native American Cultural Center
Victoria Benjamin, Director for the Survivor Advocacy & Feminist Education Center

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Erica Ross, Assistant Director for Educational Programs for the Survivor Advocacy & Feminist Education Center
Justin Dove, Director of the Student Disability Center

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University Affairs Committee

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