



**Senate Bill:** 2012-13-13  
**Date:** April 5, 2013  
**Author:** Sarah Garcia, Senator for College of Education  
**Referred To:** External Committee, April 17, 2013  
**Committee Action:** (Passed 3-0-0)  
**Senate Action:** Approved on 04-26-14 (votes: 12-0-0)  
**Subject:** Supporting California Senate Bill 267

- 1. WHEREAS:** The Associated Students, Inc. (A.S.) at California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is the recognized voice for over 34,000 students within the university; and
- 2. WHEREAS:** California Senate Bill 267 requires the establishment of a polling location on all California Community Colleges, California State Universities and Universities of California; and
- 3. WHEREAS:** This Senate Bill, if passed, would ‘impose a state-mandate local program’<sup>(1)</sup> and therefore the campuses will be reimbursed for certain costs that this program may require; and
- 4. WHEREAS:** The Associated Students, Inc. of California believes that students should have a feasible means of depositing their ballot or voting in the voting booths; and
- 5. WHEREAS:** College students have the lowest voter turn-out rate. Reasons for this may vary and can depend on the ability to vote because of location of registration<sup>(2)</sup>; and
- 6. WHEREAS:** A location on campus may increase the turn-out rate of the average college student; therefore let it be


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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/sen/sb\\_0251-0300/sb\\_267\\_bill\\_20130321\\_amended\\_sen\\_v98.pdf](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/sen/sb_0251-0300/sb_267_bill_20130321_amended_sen_v98.pdf) p. 29

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.census.gov/prod/2010pubs/p20-562.pdf> p. 7-10


- 1. RESOLVED:** The Associated Students, Inc. supports the passage of SB 267, so that students will be able to vote in a convenient manner; let it be further
- 2. RESOLVED:** That the Associated Students, Inc. encourages the Board of the University Student Union (USU) to be an example to other educational institutions and establish a polling location in a room in the USU; let it be further
- 3. RESOLVED:** That in order to ensure the passage of SB 267, the Associated Students, Inc. would like to oppose SB 240, a similar bill regarding polling location with an additional requirement of 150,000 residents surrounding the campus; and let it be finally
- 4. RESOLVED:** That copies of this resolution will be distributed to all that seek it. Copies will be sent, but not limited, to:

- Dr. Dianne Harrison, CSUN President
- Dr. William Watkins, CSUN Vice President of Student Affairs
- Debra Hammond, Director of the University Student Union
- Francesca Vega, CSUN Director of Government and Community Relations
- Katie Godfrey, Operations Manager of the University Student Union
- California State Student Association
- California Voter Registrar Office
- Senator Pavley, author of SB 267
- Jerry Brown, Governor of California
- All members of the Education Senate
- The Daily Sundial
- The Daily News



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