

#### Student Senate Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 14th, 2025, 2:15 pm

In-Person: Center for Equity, Leadership and Community Building 17, Room 146
College of San Mateo; 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd.; San Mateo, CA 94402

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
- 4. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)
- 5. Announcements and Hearings of the Public

During this time, members of the public may address the Senate on non-agenda items. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

#### 6. Reports

#### a. Officers

- i. President Anthony Pena Vasquez
- ii. Vice President Aidana Rysbekova
- iii. Finance Director Diana Kunze
- iv. Vice Chair Michael Llanell
- v. Secretary Vanshika Sharma
- vi. District Student Trustee Chloe Johnson

#### b. Senators

Including reports from ASCSM boards and committees, ASCSM task forces, college and district participatory governance committees, and other boards, committees, or organizations.

#### c. College of San Mateo Administration

Including the college president, the vice president of student services, members of the executive leadership team, deans, and any other college administrators wishing to report to the Student Senate.

#### d. Advisors

- i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager
- ii. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant
- iii. Mondana Bathai, Student Life Staff Assistant

#### 7. Appointments - President Vasquez

The Senate shall discuss and consider any and all appointments and/or recommended appointments to the Student Senate, ASCSM Boards and/or task forces, any college and/or district participatory governance committees, and/or any other appointments that may be deemed necessary. Possible action to take place.

8. Update from Professional Development Committee (PDC)

The Senate shall welcome a representative from the Professional Development Committee to give a presentation on the PDC. Possible action to take place.

#### 9. Funding got Eid Event - Muslim Student Association

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support an event to celebrate Eid organized by the Muslim Student Association. Possible action to take place.

#### 10. Funding for April 21st Workshop - Transfer Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support a workshop on Monday, April 21st, organized by Transfer Club. Possible action to take place.

#### 11. Funding for Computer History Museum Field Trip - AI Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support a field trip to the computer History Museum in San Jose. Possible action to take place.

# 12. Funding for Refreshments for UC Berkeley Data Science Program and UCSC Computer Science Program presentation - AI Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support refreshments at a presentation by representatives from the UC Berkeley Data Science Program and the UCSC computer Science Program organized by the AI Club. Possible action to take place.

#### 13. Funding for Indigenous People's Day Event - Brazilian Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support an event celebrating Brazilian Indigenous People's Day organized by the Brazilian Club. Possible action to take place.

#### 14. Funding for SMCCD Intercollegiate Hackathon Prizes - Computer Science Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to provide prizes for the SMCCD intercollegiate hackathon organized by the Computer Science Club. Possible action to take place.

#### 15. Funding for Election Candidate Meet and Greet Event

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support a possible Election Candidate Meet and Greet event in Building 10. Possible action to take place.

#### 16. Establishing a Task Force for ASCSM Banquet

The Senate shall discuss and consider the establishment of a taskforce to organize an end of the year Banquet for the Senate. Possible action to take place.

#### 17. Funding for ASCSM Banquet

The Senate shall discuss and consider the allocation of funding to support the end of the year ASCSM Banquet. Possible action to take place.

#### 18. Endorsement of Legislative Bills - Advocacy Board

The Senate shall review and discuss the legislative bills presented by the Advocacy board for their upcoming trip to Washington DC. Possible action to take place.

#### 19. ASCSM 2024-2025 Budget Update

The Senate shall review and discuss an update on the ASCSM Budget for the 2024-2025 academic year. No action to take place.

#### 20. ASCSM 2024-2025 Stage 2.0 Budget

The Senate shall discuss and consider the Stage 2.0 revision to the ASCSM Budget for the 2024-2025 academic year. Possible action to take place.

#### 21. Future Agenda Items

During this time, members of the Senate may suggest agenda items for consideration for future meetings.

#### 22. Final Announcements and Hearing of the Public

During this time, members of the Senate and the public may voice any concluding comments. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

#### 23. Adjournment

#### Associated Students of College of San Mateo



#### Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)

Monday, April 7th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 2:17 pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Anthony Pena Vasquez, Vice President/Chair Aidana Rysbekova, Finance Director

Diana Kunze, Secretary Vanshika Sharma, Senators Jericho Batac, Matthew Chang, Jasmine

Cheng, Guillermo Garcia Zacarias, Mya Hmuu Han, Heather Khaing, Nathan Low, Max

Magidin, Amy Nguyen, Jing Ee Ong, Alessandra Rengifo Herrada, Joey Situ

Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and

Leadership Assistant

Others Present: Alex Guiriba, Vice President of Student Services

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Magidin, seconded by Senator Han. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2025, ASCSM Senate meeting as presented by Senator Han, seconded by Senator Situ. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

#### **REPORTS**

President Vasquez welcomed everyone back from the Spring Break and hoped that they had a chance to get some rest for themselves to be able to keep pushing through the semester. He also congratulated everyone who got into colleges as the decisions are rolling in. He mentioned the recent crisis in Burma (Myanmar) and gave his well wishes to the Burmese students and their families that are struck by the earthquake and civil unrest.

Vice President Rysbekova was disappointed to already be back from her spring break, but she was happy to see everyone again! There are only a handful of Senate meetings to go, so hang in there and do not skip the meetings. She expressed her sympathy for what is happening in Burma and recommended the members to reach out to the Wellness Center on campus if needed.

Senator Oo thanked everyone for their compassion and empathy regarding the issues in Burma and reported that he would be getting in touch with the Student Life Office to brainstorm fundraising opportunities on campus.

Alex Guiriba, Vice President of Student Services, reported that:

- Welcome back, I hope y'all are recharged
- Personal counselors are available for group counselling sessions if needed for the Burmese students and their peers

- The Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE) conference is taking place in Oakland this week. Twenty-four students, staff, faculty, and administrators from CSM will be attending.
- The Week of the Young Child is also this week, and the Child Development Center has many activities planned to celebrate.
- Nominations for the Campus Life and Leadership Awards are closed, and the review committees are reading
  what has been submitted. The award ceremony will be held May 1 in the Bayview Dining Room.
- Mr. Guiriba said that he will be on parental leave from April 14 through 25. He will return to campus on April 28.

Mr. Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership manager, reported that:

- Welcome back from Spring Break!
- Please continue to show up at the meetings to maintain guorum and finish out the year on a high note
- Election packets are out-students can start signing up for positions

Mr. Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant, echoed what Mr. Schaefer said, and encouraged the Senators to spread the word about the upcoming Senate election. The deadline to register as a candidate is Thursday, April 17, at 11:59 pm.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Motion to appoint Pauline Tymchenko to the Advocacy Board by Senator Herrada; seconded by Senator Ong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

#### UPDATE ON CSM WIFI HOTSPOT LOAN PROGRAM

- The bulk of the funding that supported the hotspot loan program was provided by the federal government during the COVID-19 pandemic. That funding has run out.
- To continue the program, the College must identify alternate funding and/or find cost-savings (e.g., reduce the number of hotspots available).
- One option that has been discussed is moving to a needs-based distribution model instead of a first come, first served model.
- CSM is facing significant budgetary issues and has already been forced to dip into its reserves.
- Cañada and Skyline are discussing expanding their hotspot loan programs, which points to the different offerings available at the colleges in the district.
- Members of the Senate suggested looking at carriers other than Verizon, which may result in cost savings.

#### CSM ACCREDITATION UPDATE

Overall, speakers discussed:

- the importance of accreditation of colleges and other institutions
- the accreditation standards
- where the evidence of accreditation is pulled from (like meeting minutes, student activities, etc),
- What members of ASCSM can do to aid the College

#### ASCSM 2024-2025 BUDGET UPDATE

Tabled to next Senate meeting.

#### ASCSM 2024-2025 STAGE 2.0 BUDGET

Tabled to next Senate meeting.

#### PAST EVENT DEBRIEF

Women's History Month Event - Advocacy Board

Overall, the event went well and exceeded the target number of students. A lot of the people enjoyed the "Beating the Patriarchy" activity. The event decorations were cute, and the local women owned businesses were well received with their handmade merchandise.

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Endorsement of Advocacy Bills
- Budget Update
- ICC Funding Requests

#### FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

- Vice President Rysbekova mentioned that the group had discussed providing incoming ASCSM officers with a summary of what this year's group learned, what they wished they had known starting their term, and suggestions for the future.
  - A template will be discussed and developed in the Executive Cabinet.
  - The following questions will be addressed:
    - What do you wish you knew going in?
    - What did you accomplish at that position?
    - What goals do you wish you had accomplished?
  - An overview of the year will also be provided with tips on what to expect.
- Vice President Rysbenoka also asked that folks promote the Sustainability event on Earth Day.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 3:32 pm by Senator Situ; seconded by Senator Herrada. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

Submitted by,

Vanshika Sharma

ASCSM Secretary 🐙

### Agenda Item #7: Appointments

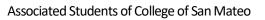
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### **Agenda Item #8: Update from Professional Development Committee (PDC)**

The Senate shall welcome a representative from the Professional Development Committee to give a presentation on the PDC. Possible action to take place.



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Event Date(s) April 8, 2025 TBD  ASCSM Account  5031 Club Assistance/ICC  DESCRIPTION  We would like \$1,350 in funding for catering from Sal's Burgers for our Muslim Student Association Eid E be hosting a celebration that is welcome to all in honor of Eid, filled with food, festivities, and communit giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, because the special occasion together are the special occasion together giving out treats, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, having fun activities, and great company as we celebrate this special occasion together giving out treats, find the giving of the giving of the giving of the gi	Funding	Funding	g for Eid Event			
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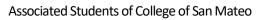


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Title of Proposal	Funding for April 21	Workshop		
Being Proposed by	Transfer Club	Lead Coordinator	Jerrimiah Jose	
Event Date(s)	April 21, 2025			
ASCSM Account	5031 Club Assistance	e/ICC		
DESCRIPTION				
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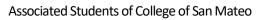


For the meeting of	ICC: April 8, 2025 / Student Senate: April 14, 2025			
Title of Proposal	Funding for Computer History Museum Field Trip			
Being Proposed by	Al Club	Lead Coordinator	Jay Motamarry	
Event Date(s)	April 18, 2025			
ASCSM Account	5031 Club Assistance/ICC	:		
DESCRIPTION				
This will be a gre they use every d	g an off-campus field trip to the Co at opportunity for any CSM studer ay. The field trip will take place on mpus at 5-6pm. Each ticket costs \$	nts who want to learn April 18th, and we wi	more about the origins of the likely leave camp	of the technology ous 12-1pm and
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Title of Froposal	Computer Scient	ence Program P	resentation	1	
Being Proposed by	Al Club		Lead Coordinato		
Event Date(s)	May 1, 2025				
ASCSM Account	5031 Club Ass	istance/ICC			
DESCRIPTION					
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Title of Proposal	Funding fo	r Indigenous I	People's Day E	vent	
Being Proposed by	Brazilian Club	1	L Coordina	ead ator Bianca Pires Reges	
Event Date(s)	April 16, 20	025			
ASCSM Account	5031 Club	Assistance/IC	С		
DESCRIPTION					
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Item Description					Cost
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Title of Proposal	Funding for SM	CCCD Intercolle	giate Hack	athon Prizes	
Being Proposed by	Computer Science C	lub	Lead Coordinator	Tyler Sheridan	
Event Date(s)	April 18, 2025 –	April 25, 2025	<del></del> ,		
ASCSM Account	5031 Club Assist	ance/ICC			
DESCRIPTION					
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For the meeting of	April 14, 2025			
Title of Proposal	Funding for Election Can	didate Meet and	<b>Greet Event</b>	
Being Proposed by	Election Commission	Lead Coordinator	Vice President Aidana	Rysbekova
Event Date(s)	TBD			
ASCSM Account	5150 Programs			
DESCRIPTION				
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### Agenda Item #16: Establishing a Task Force for ASCSM Banquet

The Senate shall discuss and consider the establishment of a taskforce to organize an end of the year Banquet for the Senate. Possible action to take place.



For the meeting of	April 14, 2025				
Title of Proposal	Funding for AS	CSM Banquet			
Being Proposed by	<b>Executive Cabinet</b>		Lead Coordinator	TBD	
Event Date(s)	TBD				
ASCSM Account	5080 Hospitalit	Y			
DESCRIPTION					
accomplishment		e supported the gr	oup throughout	ent Senate to celebrate the year. Newly electe	_
Item Description					Cost
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2. Decorations					\$500.00
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<b>ASCSM Legislative</b>	Bill	Report
submitted by		

Nicholas Costello

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Email	costellon@my.smccd.edu
Bill Name	College for All Act of 2023
Bill Number	S. 1963
Bill Sponsor(s)	Senator Bernie Sanders (Independent, Vermont)
Bill Co-Sponsor(s) from California (if any)	Senator Alex Padilla (Democrat, California)
Purpose of Bill	To eliminate tuition and fees at public colleges and universities for families earning up to \$125,000 annually and to provide free tuition for all community college students regardless of income. The bill also aims to lower student loan interest rates and expand support for minority-serving institutions.
Bill Description	The College for All Act of 2023 is federal legislation that would make two years of community college tuition-free for all students, while also eliminating tuition at four-year public colleges and universities for students from families earning under \$125,000 per year. The bill includes measures to reduce interest on federal student loans, expand federal education funding, and promote equity in higher education by investing in historically underserved institutions. States would be required to maintain their public education funding levels to qualify for the federal program.
Group(s) Impacted	Community college students Students from low- and middle-income families Minority and underserved populations Public colleges and universities State governments
Fiscal Impact (if any)	The bill would require significant federal investment in higher education, partially offset by increasing taxes on Wall Street transactions. It may reduce student reliance on federal and private loans, potentially decreasing long-term financial burdens on individuals and the federal government.
Last Action	Referred to the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions on June 15, 2023.

Current Status	In committee - pending further review and debate in the U.S. Senate.
Recommendation (Support, oppose, or watch? Why?)	Support. The College for All Act directly aligns with the values and needs of the College of San Mateo student community. By removing the financial barrier of tuition, it would increase access to higher education, particularly for first-generation, low-income, and marginalized students. It also addresses the student debt crisis by reducing loan interest rates. Supporting this bill reflects ASCSM's commitment to equity, access, and student success.

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# ASCSM Legislative Bill Report submitted by

Ryan Farzaneh

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Email	ryanfarzaneh@my.smccd.edu
Bill Name	S.3086 - America's College Promise Act of 2023
Bill Number	S.3086
Bill Sponsor(s)	Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)
Purpose of Bill	The American College Promise Act of 2023 should be supported as it helps a great pathway for greater access to higher education, and focuses on low-income and underserved students. By making community college tuition-free, the bill removes one of the largest barriers to entry for students looking for higher education.
	The focus of financial aid for non-tuition further ensures that students can focus on their studies without having the constant thought of financial insecurity. Furthermore, strengthening HBCUs, Tribal Colleges, and MSIs demonstrates inclusion for everyone, allowing these institutions to better support their students.
	By promoting partnerships between community colleges and workforce development programs, this bill ensures that students are conditioned and prepared for successful careers in growing industries, thereby boosting the nation's economic competitiveness.
	Expanding access to education in our country not only empowers individuals but also strengthens our local economies, reduces poverty, and builds a more balanced workforce. Supporting this bill would be a walk in the right direction to help everyone achieve the American Dream.

#### **Bill Description**

The American College Promise Act of 2023 proposes a federal-state partnership to provide eligible students two years of tuition-free community colleges. The bill also supports historically Black colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribal colleges, and minority-serving institutions (MSIs).

States will receive federal funding on the condition that they match funding to cover tuition and fees for students attending community college

This bill ensures that low-income students can access financial aid beyond tuition to address additional costs like textbooks, transportation, and living expenses.

For HBCUs, MSIs, and Tribal Colleges they would receive funding to strengthen their educational programs and student services.

Group(s) Impacted	College and University Students
Last Action	Introduced in the Senate on 10/19/23
<b>Current Status</b>	Senate
Recommendation (Support, oppose, or watch? Why?)	States that decide to participate must adopt strategies to improve student outcomes, including higher graduation rates and successful transfer to four-year institutions.
	This bill encourages alignment between community colleges and job development, which hopes to enhance job placement rates for graduates.

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ASCSM Legislative Bill Report submitted by

Max Magidin

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Email	maximmagidin@my.smccd.edu
Bill Name	Jumpstart on College Act
Bill Number	H.R.5474
Bill Sponsor(s)	Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]
Bill Co-Sponsor(s) from California (if any)	Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-14]
Purpose of Bill	Establishes funding to expand dual enrollment and early college high school programs nationwide. The bill aims to invest \$250 million in its first year, with subsequent increases, to make college more accessible and affordable, particularly for underserved high school students including those who are low-income, first-generation, and from underrepresented groups by introducing a greater amount of early high school programs, allowing for community colleges who allow for these opportunities to have financial support and incentives to continue to do so.
Bill Description	Establishes funding to expand dual enrollment and early college high school programs nationwide. The bill aims to invest \$250 million in its first year, with subsequent increases, to make college more accessible and affordable, particularly for underserved high school students including those who are low-income, first-generation, and from underrepresented groups by introducing a greater amount of early high school programs, allowing for community colleges who allow for these opportunities to have financial support and incentives to continue to do so.
Group(s) Impacted	Community College students, but specifically high school upperclassmen who take courses at community colleges.
Fiscal Impact (if any)	Provide more financial support for community colleges to create or provide high school students the opportunity for dual enrollment
Last Action	Sep 14, 2023

#### **Current Status**

#### Introduced

# Recommendation (Support, oppose, or watch? Why?)

We should definitely support this bill. We should support this bill because it will financially benefit lower-income college students, provide grants and institutional support for community colleges like San Mateo who offer many dual enrollment opportunities, and expand successful programs that increase college graduation rates to more students nationwide, particularly in underserved areas.RetryClaude can make mistakes. Please double-check responses.

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<b>ASCSM Legislative</b>	Bill	Report
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Bill Name	Senate Bill 438 - Modification of Minimum School Day for CCAP Students
Bill Number	SB 438
Bill Sponsor(s)	Senator Cabaldon
Bill Co-Sponsor(s) from California (if any)	none listed
Purpose of Bill	To provide greater flexibility for high school students enrolled in College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) programs by reducing the minimum required school day from 240 to 180 minutes for grades 11 and 12 students concurrently enrolled in community college courses.
Bill Description	SB 438 amends Section 46146.5 of the Education Code to allow a shorter minimum school day for 11th and 12th grade students participating in CCAP dual enrollment programs. These students, who are earning both high school and college credit, will only be required to attend high school for 180 minutes per day, instead of the current 240-minute requirement, as long as they are also enrolled part-time in community college courses through a CCAP partnership.
Group(s) Impacted	11th and 12th grade students in CCAP or dual enrollment programs (ex. CSM Middle College students), high school and community colleges in partnership through CCAP, educators, counselors, administrators supporting these programs, families seeking academic acceleration or career readiness opportunities
Fiscal Impact (if any)	Minimal. The bill may have a slight impact on attendance-based school funding, but overall fiscal consequences are limited as the change only applies to a specific group of students enrolled in CCAP agreements.
Last Action	referred to Senate Education Committee
Current Status	Pending Committee Hearing

# Recommendation (Support, oppose, or watch? Why?)

Support. SB 438 increases educational equity and opportunity by recognizing the demanding schedules of dual-enrolled students and adapting school requirements accordingly. It empowers students to engage more deeply in college-level coursework while still meeting high school graduation goals. The flexibility it provides is especially valuable in areas like San Mateo, where dual enrollment programs like Middle College are prominent. This bill supports college and career readiness and should be advanced.

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# ASCSM Legislative Bill Report submitted by

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Email	hkhaing@my.smccd.edu
Bill Name	Keep STEM Talent Act of 2023
Bill Number	H.R. 5477
Bill Sponsor(s)	Introduced by Mr. Foster (for himself, Mr. Lawler, Mr. Nickel, and Ms. Garcia of Texas)
Purpose of Bill	To amend visa requirements for international students pursuing advanced degrees in STEM fields, facilitating their admission and retention in the United States, and providing a pathway for these students to obtain Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) status.
Bill Description	The bill offers a pathway to permanent residency (green card) for international students who earn master's or higher degrees in STEM fields. It allows students on F-1 visas to apply for permanent residency while studying, promoting "dual intent" (i.e., the possibility of permanent residency without jeopardizing their current visa status). Enhanced vetting procedures ensure national security, while the bill seeks to retain international STEM talent to contribute to the workforce after graduation.
Group(s) Impacted	International students pursuing advanced STEM degrees
	U.S. institutions of higher education
	The U.S. economy and innovation sectors
Fiscal Impact (if any)	The fiscal impact includes administrative costs for implementing enhanced visa vetting procedures, with potential long-term economic benefits from retaining skilled STEM talent.
Last Action	Introduced in the House of Representatives on September 14, 2023.
Current Status	Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary on September 14, 2023.

# Recommendation (Support, oppose, or watch? Why?)

Support: The bill aligns with the interests of institutions like College of San Mateo (CSM), which hosts a significant international student community. By facilitating a clearer pathway for advanced STEM students to remain in the U.S. post-graduation, it addresses financial challenges faced by these students, many of whom encounter limited work opportunities due to visa restrictions. Additionally, retaining these students contributes to the U.S.'s competitiveness in global innovation and technology sectors.

### **ASCSM 2024-2025 Income Expenses through 1/31/2025**

Student Body Fee Income through 1/31/2024					\$ 152,191.67
	Stag	ge 1.0 Budget	Spe	ent thru 1.31.25	Difference
5030 · CEREMONIES	\$	3,000.00	\$	-	\$ 3,000.00
5031 · CLUB ASSISTANCE/ICC	\$	30,000.00	\$	17,472.78	\$ 12,527.22
5032 · COLLEGE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE	\$	20,000.00	\$	5,686.19	\$ 14,313.81
5033 · CONFERENCE	\$	20,000.00	\$	30,498.25	\$ (10,498.25)
5050 · ETHNIC CULTURAL AFFAIRS	\$	30,000.00	\$	11,985.28	\$ 18,014.72
5080 · HOSPITALITY	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	\$ 1,000.00
5140 · OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,995.36	\$ 1,004.64
5145 · OPERATION	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,504.67	\$ 1,495.33
5147 · PRINTING	\$	1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00
5150 · PROGRAMS	\$	45,000.00	\$	19,684.98	\$ 25,315.02
5151 · PUBLICITY	\$	10,000.00	\$	13,210.07	\$ (3,210.07)
5171 · REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	\$ 1,000.00
5181 · SMALL F.F. & EQUIP	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	\$ 1,000.00
5182 · STUDENT ACTIVITY CARD	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,259.83	\$ 740.17
5183 · STUDENT ASSISTANT-SALARY	\$	30,000.00	\$	25,059.47	\$ 4,940.53
5184 · STUDENT ASSISTANT-BENEFITS					
Total Expenses	\$	200,000.00	\$	128,356.88	\$ 71,643.12
Total Income			\$	152,191.67	
Total Expenses			\$	128,356.88	
Remaining Balance			\$	23,834.79	
3rd Quarter Income			\$	27,093.21	

### ASCSM 2024-2025 Income Expenses through 1/31/2025

