

My name is Christina Adjiman, I am an international student and I come from Ivory Coast, West Africa. I started attending Community College of Denver (CCD) in spring 2017 and I recently graduated with my Associate of Sciences. The first reason I chose to come in the US to pursue my studies was the fact that the US has one of the best educational system in the world. The second reason was the fact that after the political and social war in my country in 2011, most of the universities and infrastructures have been destroyed and my hope for a better future and good educational conditions were disappearing.

While being in the US and going to college, my passion for serving my community motivates me to join the Student Government Association of CCD. I believed that it would be an important opportunity for me to develop my leadership skills while helping others. When I say "help others", I mean the overall student body, all the students no matter where they come from and their status. Therefore, I applied for the Student Representative position to advocate for the students of my community. During my term, also as the Chair of the Engagement Community, I interacted with students and motivated them to be involved on campus. I also assisted them facing some issues on campus and advocated for them during our meetings.

Being part of SGA has been one of the most beautiful, social, educational and professional experience of my life. My family being back home, SGA became a new one for me, where I found amazing and dedicated people and friends who supported me and guided me. I also felt valuable for my community and proud to belong to this association. However, some of the issues the student were facing required their voices to be heard at a higher level. Therefore, I decided to run for the State Student Advisory Council Representative position for this academic year in order to represent the students in front of the Community College Council rather than just at my college. Unfortunately, my application was declined. I was surprised to know that the reason behind this was the fact that I am an international student, and under federal law, I am not eligible to apply for such position.

I felt discriminated and discouraged. First, because, the Student Government Association and even the Community College System is supposed to represent ALL the students of the community colleges. Putting a restriction on which type of students is eligible to be a representative of this system lead to the conclusion that some students are more important than others or deserve this position better than others. That should not be the case, because the student body is the student body, and ALL the students should have the same opportunity to occupy leadership positions in the educational system in which they study.

Preventing a category of students to run for the State Student Advisory Council Representative position, mostly international students, is discriminatory and unfair because there are also part of the Community College System. According to the NAFSA (Association of International Educators), international students studying at US colleges and universities contributed \$39 billion and supported more than 455,000 jobs to the U.S economy during the 2017-2018 academic year. They also contribute to educational federal funds and to the American educational system at the same level residents do, and maybe more, economically and mostly for diversity and cultural exchange. Based on these statistics, the residency requirement that prevents international students of being involved in their community at any level should be totally removed.

Colorado State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education

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February 11, 2019

RE: Letter of Support House Bill 19 -1152 "SSAC Member Eligibility"

Dear Education Committee Members,

It is with great pleasure that I provide this letter of support on behalf of the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) for Colorado Bill 19-1152 to amend C.R.S. 23-60-104 and remove the residency requirement as a condition of membership for the State Student Advisory Council (SSAC). On December 12, 2018, our Board took official action to endorse SSAC's legislative proposal and the vote was unanimous.

This legislative initiative was brought forth by SSAC members on behalf of their peers who have sought to change this requirement. We agree that this is an important step forward to increasing both access to and diversity of our student leadership organizations across 13 colleges with 40 locations in Colorado.

The mission of the Colorado Community College System is to provide an accessible, responsive learning environment that facilitates the achievement of educational, professional and personal goals by our students and other members of our communities in an atmosphere that embraces academic excellence, diversity and innovation.

Essential to understanding how our students can achieve success is the inclusion of a broad range of perspectives, experiences, and voices from our student populations who can advocate on behalf of their fellow students.

Removing the residency requirement from C.R.S. 23-60-104 would effectively increase student access and participation represented on the council.

As such, the SBCCOE believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to create a more inclusive environment for students seeking leadership opportunities.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Dr. Byron McClenny
Chair, State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

December 12, 2018

Dear Members of the State Student Advisory Council:

On behalf of the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education, please accept this letter of support for the State Student Advisory Council's proposed legislative amendment to C.R.S. 23-60-104 which seeks to remove the residency requirement as a condition of membership in the State Student Advisory Council.

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The development of this proposal to create opportunities for student leadership for all students typifies the types of initiatives taken on by these outstanding student leaders. The Board values the work of the Council and appreciates their time and effort to advise the Board on important matters of interest and concern, and to serve as a critical liaison between the Board and our students.

The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Garcia

Chancellor

Colorado Community College System

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January 10, 2019

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Arapahoe Community College students, as well as students throughout the Colorado Community College System, come to us from locales near and far. They bring with them a richness of knowledge and ideas that contribute positively to our colleges' and students' growth and success.

The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) and I believe this is an important issue and are committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diana M. Doyle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Diana M. Doyle, Ph.D.
President

December 12, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of an initiative of the Colorado State Student Advisory Council (SSAC), a council comprised of student leaders from across the Colorado Community College System. These students are elected by the student governments of their respective colleges and are required to be enrolled in a minimum of nine credit hours. They are also required to be residents of Colorado.

The students are proposing a statutory amendment of C.R.S. 23-60-104 to remove the residency requirement for participation as a member of SSAC. This statute currently states:

The terms of the offices of members of the state student advisory council shall be one year, beginning July 1, 1977, and any such student members shall be classified as an in-state student for tuition purposes in accordance with section 23-7-102(5) prior to election to the state student advisory council.

Brandon Thierry, a CCA student and the current legislative chair for SSAC, met with me recently to discuss this initiative and I am in full support. The Community College of Aurora serves a very diverse student body with a large number of immigrant and refugee students. Several of our most impressive student leaders would not have qualified to serve on SSAC under the current language of the statute. One of our recent Student Government presidents is a DACA student and two other notable student leaders on our Student Government Association were from outside the country – one an international student and the other an immigrant student.

I know that many of our colleges also have students who come from outside Colorado, attending for a specific academic or athletic program or because of close proximity to their home states. As an example, CCA has a nationally renowned film program that draws students from across the country, a unique translation and interpretation program, and one of the few diesel programs in the West.

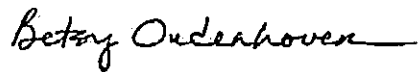
One of the wonderful aspects of community colleges is that students have the opportunity to step into leadership positions early in their college careers. Many of our students come to us with experience in the workforce, the military, or other countries. These students have much to offer and when they are interested in serving their colleges at the state level we would like to invest in them.

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The SBCCOE voted at their meeting on December 12, 2018 to support this initiative which also has the full support of CCCS Chancellor Joe Garcia. It is also my understanding that Representative Leslie Herod has verbally agreed to sponsor this bill.

I appreciate the opportunity to share this letter with you and thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of this student initiative. I am proud that our students are taking action to ensure that our colleges and our state are as inclusive as possible and that *everyone* has the opportunity to realize their potential.

Sincerely,



Betsy Oudenhoven, Ph.D.
President, Community College of Aurora



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February 11, 2019

Re: Letter of Support House Bill 19-1152 "SSAC Member Eligibility"

Dear Education Committee Members:

As Community College of Denver president, I wish to lend my support to passage of Colorado Bill 19-1152 to amend C.R.S. 23-60-104 thereby removing the residency requirement as a condition of membership for the State Student Advisory Council (SSAC). On December 12, 2018, the Colorado State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) endorsed SSAC's legislative proposal and voted unanimously in support. My support echoes that of our SBCCOE.

The proposal to include non-residences on the student's advisory council reflects our students' understanding of the importance of inclusion of all community colleges students – regardless of residence at matriculation – in deliberations and decision-making around student-related CCCS issues. Inclusion matters to our students and, accordingly, it matters to us.

Removing the residency requirement from C.R.S. 23-104 would effectively increase student access and participation represented on the council. Doing so would send a powerful message to all community college students that inclusion is as much a part of your values and aspirations as it is theirs.

If you need additional particulars that I may provide, please reach me at the number listed herewith on the stationery.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Freeman", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Everette J. Freeman
President



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January 9, 2019

Ronald Granger, President
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Our student body makeup includes students from many areas outside of Colorado. By removing this restriction every student, no matter where he or she is from, can have a voice on the issues our students face while attending college. I truly believe that all students should be heard, and this is one way to make sure that happens.

The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald Granger". To the right of the signature is a large, stylized handwritten mark that appears to be "President" followed by a flourish.

President, Colorado Northwestern Community College



January 4, 2019

State Student Advisory Council
c/o Elena Barrera, Chair
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9101 E. Lowry Blvd.
Denver CO 80230

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Sincerely,



Andrew R. Dorsey
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Dear SSAC Members:

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Morgan Community College's mission, vision, and values are an important compass that guides everything we do. Those guiding principles are provided below for reference.

Mission: To empower students and enrich communities.

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Vision Statement: To develop learners and responsive leaders who inspire innovation and passion in future generations.

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Values:
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Integrity
Diversity
Equity
Excellence

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Within the context of these guiding principles, MCC supports the ability for any student, regardless of Colorado residency status, to participate in State Student Advisory Council membership, leadership, and functions. Our support is simply one way for us to stay true to these principles.

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Imagine ...

Morgan Community College believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in your endeavor to amend the statute.

Believe ...

Achieve ...

Sincerely,



Curt Freed, Ph.D.
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February 11, 2019

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Northeastern Junior College, as the two-year college with the largest number of residence hall rooms, appeals to international students and students from beyond Colorado's borders. Northeastern feels that these students, many of whom are involved in leadership roles on the campus, should be allowed the opportunity to serve on the State Student Advisory Council.

The employees and students of Northeastern Junior College and the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

Jay A. Lee, President

Northeastern Junior College

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We're Focused on Your Future!

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I have had the fortune of advising student governments and organizations on numerous campuses. One of the most tell truths that I witnessed in the last 30 years is that successful organizations were more inclusive and creative when they had a more diverse group of students in leadership positions. Further, being more inclusive means that vulnerable student groups will have a voice and seat at the table. Lastly, it will allow for unique groups of students to commit time and energy in making our campuses more accepting. They will make us better. I fully support this initiative.

The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Alvarez, Ph.D.
President, Otero Junior College

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January 11, 2019

State Student Advisory Council
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The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute. As college President, I too, support inclusive opportunities for all Pueblo Community College students.

Sincerely,



Patricia A. Erjavec, PhD
President

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January 16, 2019

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In our Red Rocks community, we embrace the contributions and inherent worth of all individuals. We treat one another with mutual respect and understanding, regardless of real or perceived background or political affiliation, the role we play in the College, race, ethnicity, religion, physical abilities, nationality, veteran and socio-economic status, gender, sexuality and/or identity.

The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

C. Michele Haney, Ph.D.
President
Red Rocks Community College



February 8, 2019

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The mission of Trinidad State Junior College is to enrich our diverse communities through quality educational experiences and lifelong learning. Trinidad State Junior College (TSJC) is committed to student success. Our core value is "Students First." Removing the residency requirement from the statute will provide opportunities for more students to get involved in the State Student Advisory Council. TSJC students include international and many out of state students that are currently unable to represent the college on the State Student Advisory Council. Updating the residency requirement is a positive step to increase student participation and leadership opportunities for all TSJC students.

Trinidad State Junior College believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend the statute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kerry Gabrielson', written over a horizontal line.

Kerry Gabrielson
Vice President Student Services
Trinidad State Junior College



January 10, 2018

Student Government Association
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Sincerely,

Hina Hawkes

President

Student Government Association



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January 8, 2019

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Bryan A. Saenz

President

Community College of Denver Student Government Association



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February 11, 2019

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Sincerely,

Violet Stoudt
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The State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) believes this is an important issue and is committed to supporting the State Student Advisory Council in their endeavor to amend statute.

Sincerely,

Phuong Vo
President
Westminster Campus Student Government Association



February 8, 2018

Patrick Shields
Associated Student Government President
100 College Ave.
Sterling, CO, 80751

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Patrick Shields

President

Associated Student Government

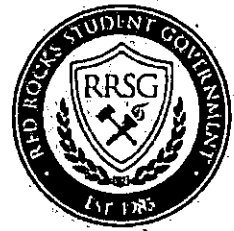
Kathryn Linz

Red Rocks Community College Student Government President

13300 W. 6th Avenue

Lakewood, CO, 80228

February 11, 2019



Dear Members of the State Student Advisory Council,

I am writing to voice my support for the State Student Advisory Council's proposed legislative amendment to C.R.S. 23-60-104 which seeks to remove the residency requirement as a condition of membership in the State Student Advisory Council (SSAC).

The mission of the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) is to provide an accessible, responsive learning environment that facilitates the achievement of educational, professional, and personal goals by our students and other members of our communities in an atmosphere that embraces diversity, academic excellence, and innovation. SSAC continually advocates for this mission in various ways, with this proposed amendment taking one form. Eliminating the residency requirement would allow for greater diversity on SSAC—diversity being a trait stated in CCCS's mission. Further, it would encourage participation amongst students regardless of origin, and support the inclusion of a broader range of student experiences and perspectives represented on the council. That participation and the new, unique perceptions provided by non-resident students will create a positive impact in SSAC's future endeavors. This in return will benefit the other students of the system as SSAC continues to advocate for them. As such, I firmly believe that the proposed legislative amendment to C.R.S. 23-60-104 will allow CCCS to further enrich the education provided to its students.

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Kathryn Linz

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