

1ST SENATE
2ND SESSION

S. RES. 004

To endorse the modification of the Student Code of Conduct for the purposes of reducing unnecessary penalties imposed on students carrying pepper spray on the CSU Channel Islands campus.

IN THE SENATE OF CSUCI STUDENT GOVERNMENT

MAY 03, 2017

Senator Fernandez (for herself) introduces the following legislation.

RESOLUTION

To endorse the modification of the Student Code of Conduct for the purposes of reducing unnecessary penalties imposed on students carrying pepper spray on the CSU Channel Islands campus.

Whereas the State of California allows its residents to carry up to 2.5 ounces of pepper spray on their person, per Penal Code 22810ⁱ; and

Whereas, The State of California has provisions in place to prevent the misuse of pepper spray, such as not allowing felons or minors to possess itⁱ; and

Whereas, carrying pepper spray on campus at CSU Channel Islands is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct section 13ⁱⁱ; and

Whereas, students in violation of the Student Code of Conduct can face serious consequences directly affecting their enrollment at CSU Channel Islands, such as loss of financial aid or educational sanctionsⁱⁱⁱ; and

Whereas, over the past academic year, there have been multiple Title IX and police reports of sexual assault and harassment at CSU Channel Islands; and

Whereas, the CSU Channel Islands Police Department offers a self-defense program—Rape Aggression Defense System, or R. A. D.—to CSU Channel Islands staff, faculty, and students, which has a limited class size and number of sessions per semester^{iv}; and

Whereas, other CSU campuses, such as Sonoma State University, allow the carrying of pepper spray in adherence to California Penal Code 22810^v; and

Whereas, Student Government strives to facilitate and promote community by providing a safe and comfortable campus environment, collaborating with other areas of the University, embracing our local community, and engaging in statewide affairs^{vi}.

1 **SECTION 1. RESOLUTION.**

2 *Resolved*, Student Government supports the elimination of penalties imposed upon CSU Channel Islands
3 students carrying pepper spray in adherence to California Penal Code 22810.

4 **SEC. 2. SHORT TITLE.**

5 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the

6 “#CISStudentSecurityActof2017”.

ⁱ http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=PEN§ionNum=22810

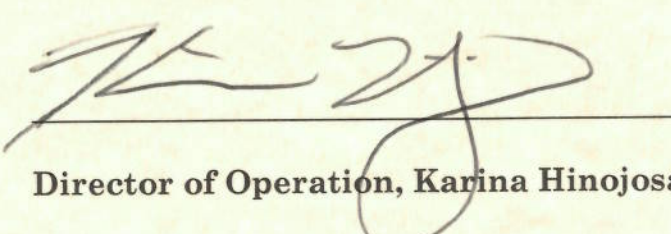
ⁱⁱ <http://www.csuci.edu/campuslife/student-conduct/student-code-of-conduct.htm>

ⁱⁱⁱ <http://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1098-rev-6-23-15.pdf>


^{iv} http://www.csuci.edu/publicsafety/crime-prevention/RAD_program.htm

^v <https://www.sonoma.edu/housing/general-info/policies-enforcement/faq-weapon.html>

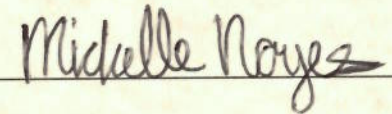
^{vi} <http://studentgov.csuci.edu/aboutus.htm>



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