

CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

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Recently enacted budget cuts will severely damage public access to higher education, to the detriment of California economically and socially, now and in the future. These cuts diminish the opportunities for California students that are fundamental to the mission of the California Student Aid Commission. But that is not all. Additional cuts, without consideration of the continuation of revenues, will fully eviscerate higher education and sacrifice tens of thousands of additional students.

Accordingly, taking all necessary steps afforded by our democratic system to avoid such unthinkable and self-defeating cuts, without allowing the People to speak, is of such paramount importance as to be a moral imperative.

Therefore, it is RESOLVED, that the California Student Aid Commission strongly urges the Legislature and the Governor to ensure that a crucial policy decision on continuing necessary revenues to avoid additional cuts, which according to California's Constitution ultimately resides in the People, not be circumvented by procedural barriers.