

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 17

Introduced by Assembly Member Fong

February 8, 2011

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 17—Relative to Campus Safety Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 17, as introduced, Fong. Campus Safety Month.

This measure would declare March as Campus Safety Month, and would encourage citizens to visit the Internet Web site of the California Postsecondary Education Commission to view public safety information about public and private colleges and universities.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, California public and private colleges and
2 universities will serve over 2.7 million students this year; and

3 WHEREAS, One hundred ninety-five thousand public high
4 school graduates will enroll as freshmen in California public
5 colleges and universities; and

6 WHEREAS, Forty-seven thousand California Community
7 College students will transfer to a California four-year public
8 college or university; and

9 WHEREAS, Three hundred thousand students will attend private
10 colleges and universities in California; and

11 WHEREAS, Colleges and universities are not immune to the
12 crimes that face the rest of California; and

13 WHEREAS, California colleges and universities reported that
14 29,000 crimes occurred in 2008, including 688 aggravated assaults,

1 479 sex offenses, 137 arson crimes, 6,300 property crimes, and 4
2 murders, as reported by the Postsecondary Education Commission;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, California colleges and universities have a
5 responsibility to protect students and the nearby communities from
6 violent and property crimes; and

7 WHEREAS, Thousands of students will be applying and
8 accepting admission to state colleges and universities; and

9 WHEREAS, California families and students are best equipped
10 to make informed higher education decisions when provided with
11 timely and accurate academic and public safety information; and

12 WHEREAS, This state should make resources available to
13 families and students and provide public safety information
14 regarding public colleges and universities; and

15 WHEREAS, A coalition of rape crisis centers, known as the
16 California Coalition Against Sexual Assault, has partnered with
17 the California Postsecondary Education Commission, the
18 University of California, the California State University, the
19 California Community Colleges, and the California Association
20 of Private Colleges and Universities to promote safe campuses
21 and communities; now, therefore be it

22 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
23 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature declares March as Campus
24 Safety Month in California; and be it further

25 *Resolved*, That citizens are encouraged to visit the Internet Web
26 site of the California Postsecondary Education Commission to
27 view public safety information about public and private colleges
28 and universities; and be it further

29 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
30 of this resolution to the Governor, the California State University
31 system, the University of California system, and to the author for
32 distribution.