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The Honorable Henry Stern
State Capitol, Room 5080
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: SB462 (Stern) Community colleges: Forestland Restoration Workforce Program (as of 13 June 2019)
Position: Removal of Opposition

The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) is writing to express its removal of opposition to SB462 (Stern, as of 06/13/19). SB462 would require the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges, working in collaboration with the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges, to establish a model curriculum for a forestland restoration workforce program with specific curricular requirements that could be offered at campuses of the California Community Colleges.

The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges recognizes that many of our communities have suffered devastating losses due to the wildfires that have plagued our state over the last several years, and we express sincere empathy for the victims and our admiration to Senator Stern for his efforts to identify an amelioration plan for California. We also appreciate that SB462 recognizes the role of the Academic Senate in the development of model curriculum.

Due to the author's willingness to amend SB462 (Stern, as of 12 June 2019,) the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges removes its opposition to the bill and thanks the author and his staff for their work on this bill.

Respectfully,

John Stankas
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