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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 221

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 221 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Political Events on College Campuses Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Facility" includes all buildings and grounds owned or  
8 controlled by the public university or community college and  
9 the streets, sidewalks, malls, parking lots, and roadways  
10 within the boundaries of property owned or controlled by the  
11 public university or community college.

12 "Use of facilities" means the holding of any event or  
13 forum, the posting of signs, all forms of advertising,  
14 commercial solicitation or the conduct of other commercial  
15 activities, and the distribution of pamphlets or similar  
16 written materials on or using public university or community

1 college facilities.

2 Section 10. Facility priority. First priority for the use  
3 of campus facilities shall be given to regularly scheduled  
4 public university or community college activities. The use of  
5 public university or community college facilities may be  
6 subject to reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions that  
7 take into account, among other considerations, the general  
8 facilities policy, the direct and indirect costs to the public  
9 university or community college, environmental, health and  
10 safety concerns, wear and tear on the facilities,  
11 appropriateness of the event to the specific facility, and the  
12 impact of the event on the campus community, surrounding  
13 neighborhoods, and the general public. In reviewing  
14 conflicting requests to use public university or community  
15 college facilities, primary consideration shall be given to  
16 activities specifically related to the public university or  
17 community college's mission.

18 Section 15. Political activities. Public university and  
19 community college facilities may be used for the following:

20 (1) public university and community college  
21 departments, student government organizations, or  
22 registered student organizations sponsoring candidate  
23 forums, voter registration drives, and issue forums  
24 regarding ballot propositions;

1           (2) candidates for office and proponents or opponents  
2 of ballot propositions renting public university or  
3 community college facilities on a short-term basis for  
4 campaign purposes to the same extent and on the same basis  
5 as may other individuals or groups;

6           (3) candidates for office and proponents or opponents  
7 of ballot propositions using public forum areas, to the  
8 same extent and on the same basis as may other individuals  
9 or groups; and

10          (4) a registered student organization inviting a  
11 candidate or another political speaker to one of the  
12 meetings of its membership on public university or  
13 community college property, if the student organization  
14 has complied with the scheduling procedures of the public  
15 university or community college.

16          Section 20. Restrictions.

17          (a) When an event under this Act involves the rental of a  
18 public university or community college facility, the full  
19 rental cost of the facility must be paid and State funds may  
20 not be used to pay rental costs or cover any other costs  
21 associated with the event.

22          (b) Public university or community college facilities may  
23 not be used to establish or maintain offices or headquarters  
24 for political candidates or partisan political causes.

25          (c) All candidates who have filed for office for a given

1 position, regardless of party affiliation, must be given equal  
2 access to the use of facilities within a reasonable time, if  
3 the candidates are in compliance with the provisions of this  
4 Act.

5 (d) No person shall solicit contributions on public  
6 university or community college property for political uses,  
7 except in instances where this limitation conflicts with  
8 applicable federal law regarding interference with the mails.

9 (e) Use of public university facilities for political  
10 activities, as described in this Act, must have prior approval  
11 of the university ethics and compliance office and the Office  
12 of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost or a  
13 similar office.

14 (f) Use of community college facilities for political  
15 activities, as described in this Act, must have prior approval  
16 of the campus human resources office or a designee set forth by  
17 the community college.".