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RE: Letter of Support for SB 65 (as amended June 25, 2007)

The Honorable Anthony Portantino
Chair, Assembly Higher Education Committee
California State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assembly Member Portantino:

On behalf of [insert name of organization here], I am writing in strong support of SB 65, which would allow AB 540 students access to student aid programs as permitted by federal law, including access to Board of Governor waivers at the community colleges.

Assembly Bill 540 allowed students who have attended California high schools for 3 years, and graduated from a California high school the right to pay in-state tuition. However, without access to financial aid, the dream of a college education is still out of reach for many of these students. California's economic success depends on the education of its population. We hope that the Legislature allows these deserving students access to the financial resources needed to complete their dreams and become economic contributors to the Golden State.

We look forward to working with you to make college a reality for all students.

Sincerely,

Name
Title
Organization