

The Honorable Sasha Renee Perez
Chair, Senate Education Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 2100
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RE: SB 1101 (Perez)

Position: Co-Sponsor

Dear Chair Perez and Members:

On behalf of the CFT — A Union of Educators & Classified Professionals, AFT, AFL-CIO, I am proud to Co-Sponsor your bill, SB 1101 (Pérez), which would require the CSU, Community Colleges, independent institutions of higher education, and requests UC, to notify faculty, students, and staff before personal information is shared with the federal government and would prohibit them from sharing information unless legally required.

Last year, the public was also made aware that UC Berkeley provided the Education Department files from their civil rights office and UC police incident reports that contained the names and contact information of 160 faculty and staff. These included lecturers that are part of CFT, and there is still uncertainty if other campuses also provided personal information of staff and faculty. Around the same time, Cal State shared the personal phone numbers and email addresses of 2,600 Los Angeles campus employees with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. These employees were only notified after their personal information was shared.

The federal administration is weaponizing the complaint processes at college campuses to coerce them, often by threatening critical funding, into implementing conservative, anti LGBTQ+ policies. We believe it is reasonable that when personal information is to be shared with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights as part of an investigative, compliance, or enforcement action, that employees whose information will be shared be notified in advance.





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For these reasons, the CFT is proud to co-sponsor your bill, SB 1101 (Pérez) and urges members of the Senate Education Committee to support it when it comes before you. Should you have any questions, please contact CFT Legislative Representative Tiffany Mok at tmok@cft.org.

Sincerely,

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