

*Fifty Ninth Legislative Council*  
*of the*  
*Associated Students*

*Begin and held at the University of California at Santa Barbara, in the City of Santa Barbara on the twenty-first day of October, two thousand nine, in the fifty ninth year of our association.*

*A Bill*

To

Support the Legalization of Marijuana in California as Stipulated in the Marijuana Control, Regulation, and Education Act

**Whereas:** Marijuana and the cultural tendencies associated with its use are widely proliferated amongst the members of the local Isla Vista community,

**Whereas:** A Field Poll showed that 56% of the residents of California support the legalization of marijuana in the state,

**Whereas:** The state of California is in a budgetary crisis that affects its ability to adequately fund state-sponsored organizations, including the University of California,

**Whereas:** The cost that the state of California currently incurs policing and regulating marijuana would be significantly reduced (potentially by up to \$1 billion) with the legalization of marijuana, and the potential for taxing the legal sale of marijuana could produce further funding for the state.

**Therefore let it be resolved by the Associated Students in the Legislative Council assembled:**

That Associated Students Legislative Council supports the increasing call for the legalization of marijuana in California for the purpose of providing badly needed tax revenue for the state,

That a large portion of the taxes generated by the legalization of marijuana be dedicated to funding education in the state of California,

That Associated Students Legislative Council endorses the Marijuana Control, Regulation, and Education Act introduced into the California State Legislature by Tom Ammiano

That Associated Students Legislative Council calls for the other schools in the University of California to endorse this bill as well.

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