



[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

94th SESSION  
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## SENATE RESOLUTION

# IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT TRANSPORTATION FEE

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IN THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

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MARCH 8, 2019

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR BISHOP TO THE SENATE

### A RESOLUTION

Implementation of the Bakersfield College Student Transportation Fee

1        *WHEREAS, the mission for Bakersfield College is to, "provide opportunities for students*  
2        *from diverse economic, cultural, and educational backgrounds to attain Associate and*  
3        *Baccalaureate degrees and certificates, workplace skills, and preparation for transfer";*

4        *WHEREAS, Bakersfield College serves over 33,000 students from diverse geographic*  
5        *areas, ranging from suburban Bakersfield (population over 300,000) to rural farming areas such*  
6        *as Arvin, Delano, McFarland, and Tulare County;*

7        *WHEREAS, transportation is an amenity that is crucial for students and is a potential*  
8        *differentiator that can not only save college students money, but also become a crucial*  
9        *component to a student's education;*

10       *WHEREAS, Maslow's Hierarchy of needs have Physiological needs (food, water, warmth,*  
11       *and rest) and safety needs as two of the five basic needs for an individual to achieve one's*  
12       *fundamental goals;*

1        *WHEREAS, the average transportation cost for a student attending a California Community*  
2 *College is between \$1,180 and \$1,324 per year, and the rising costs of gas may push students*  
3 *away from receiving an education; and*

4        *WHEREAS, section 76361 of the Education Code, "The governing board of a community*  
5 *college district may require students in attendance and employees at a campus of the district to*  
6 *pay a fee for purposes of partially or fully recovering transportation costs incurred by the district or*  
7 *of reducing fares for services provided by common carriers or municipally owned transit systems*  
8 *to these students and employees";*

9        *Be it resolved by the Senate of the Bakersfield College Student Government Association*  
10 *Addendum A be used as a reference guide for the new transportation student fee;*

11        *Be it resolved by the Senate, that District employees may participate in the program and if*  
12 *the individual employee pays adequate fees;*

13        *Be it resolved by the Senate that all students are assessed the student fee at the time of*  
14 *registration of classes except for Students who are only taking distance learning classes and do*  
15 *not live in the county of Kern.*

16        *Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Bakersfield College Student Government*  
17 *Association that the new transportation student fee be placed on the Spring 2019 BCSGA*  
18 *General Elections for majority vote passage.*

19        *Be it further resolved that upon approval at the Spring 2019 BCSGA General Elections, the*  
20 *BC Director of Student Life be tasked to ensure all measure are conducted at the college and*  
21 *district level for fee implementation.*