

Bill 343: Public postsecondary education: holders of certain special immigrant visas.

Assembly Member McCarty

Analysis: Bill No. 343 relates to students who have immigrant visas. It provides services to those students who have a special immigrant visas to part take in financial aid, in-state tuition, and programs of support. It makes sure colleges provide and abide by this.

Pros; This protects the students who have traveled here as refugees to gain an education. It creates an affordable way for these students to be a part of our system, which makes a diverse learning environment for every campus.

Cons; The funding for students, who have citizenship, will decrease slightly.

Support: California has a high immigrant population. Within this population, we see potential within students who wish to acquire higher education with no means of achieving that goal. This will provide a way for them to succeed, as we believe education is a natural right for all.

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