

Legislation Text

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Res. No. 1675

Resolution urging the United States Congress to pass and the President to sign the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act, also known as the Campus SaVE Act, which would help to protect students from sexual violence.

By Council Members Rose, Rodriguez, Barron, Brewer, Chin, Dromm, Ferreras, James, King, Koo, Koppell, Lander, Mark-Viverito, Mendez, Palma, Vann and Williams

Whereas, More than forty percent of actively dating college women have experienced violent or abusive

dating behaviors; and

Whereas, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and its implementing regulations prohibit sexual harassment, including acts of sexual violence, at institutes of higher education operated by recipients of federal financial assistance; and

Whereas, The federal Clery Act currently requires all institutions of higher education that participate in the federal student financial aid program to disclose and make available to current students and employees reports of forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object, forcible fondling, incest, and statutory rape made to campus security or local police when such offenses occurred on campus, in an adjacent public area, or at certain non-campus facilities; and

Whereas, U.S. Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr. introduced the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination (SaVE) Act in January 2013 to expand the Clery Act to require institutions of higher education to also disclose reports of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and

Whereas, The Campus SaVE Act would also require all institutions of higher education participating in federal student aid programs to develop programs aimed at preventing domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking and procedures to follow when such an incident is reported; and

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Whereas, under the Campus SaVE Act, students would be provided written notification of victims' rights in regard to reporting, disciplinary procedures, protective measures, sanctions, confidentiality, options for changing academic, living, or working situations, and services available both on-campus and in the community following an incident of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; and

Whereas, A safe learning environment free from sexual misconduct is critical to student success; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York urges the United States Congress to pass and the President to sign the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act, also known as the Campus SaVE Act, which would help to protect students from sexual violence.

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