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Assemblymember Evan Low Legislation for Two Years of Tuition-Free State University Passes Senate Education Committee

AB 3034 Waives First Two Years of Tuition at CSU for Eligible Students Completing One Year of Service in the California Conservation Corps

SACRAMENTO — Assemblymember Evan Low's <u>Assembly Bill (AB) 3034</u>, which waives the first two years of tuition at a California State University for eligible students completing at least one year of service in the California Conservation Corps, passed out of the Senate Education Committee.

Assemblymember Evan Low said,

"AB 3034 expands opportunities for students to attend a State University tuition-free for the first two years – providing a new pathway for California students to obtain a university education more affordably – in exchange for one year of service supporting California's Conservation and Emergency Response efforts in the California Conservation Corps."

The legislation sets basic requirements to be eligible for two years of tuition-free State University, including, students must be a resident of California, must complete at least one year of service within two years of joining the California Conservation Corps, and must be "persons and families of low or moderate income." Eligible students also must also enroll in an undergraduate program at a State University within two years of completing their service in the California Conservation Corps, and maintain full-time enrollment, a minimum grade point average to be in good standing, and good behavioral standing at the institution.

The legislation now moves to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Evan Low represents the Silicon Valley in the California State Assembly. He was elected in 2014 after serving as a Councilmember and Mayor for the City of Campbell. He serves as a Member of the Assembly Committees on Business and Professions, Elections, Governmental Organization, Higher Education, and Rules. Assemblymember Low also serves as the Chair of the California Asian American & Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus, is the founder and Co-Chair of the California Legislative Technology & Innovation Caucus, and is a Member of the California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus.