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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

CU is a Big Eight University with an enrollment of approximately 25,000 students. Approximately fifty percent of these students are women. It might be assumed that with such a high number of women students and identified issues of disparity for women in higher education, both nationally and on the Boulder campus, there would be a place where women could access resources, information and support for situations in which they need assistance.

Unfortunately, the University of Colorado-Boulder administration has not felt the need to be significant enough to establish a priority for funding such an outlet/center for women. Most campuses across the country have a center where their students can identify, examine, and positively address their issues. If we are to encourage diversity on the Boulder campus seriously then we must address a broad base of issues that include gender and cultural equity issues, child care, sexual harassment and rape, educational, career and economic equity issues. We believe that such a resource would recruit and retain women at the University of Colorado-Boulder campus.

Through surveys and discussions, the UCSU Executive Staff and Executives have assessed the loopholes in current services available to women at UCB. Inadequate child care, finances, and moral support hinder the graduation of many women at CU. A Women's Resource Center would provide women with information, much needed support, and encouragement for development.

UCSU Executives, Executive Staff, and the Ethnic Women's Alliance feel the need for a student-run, student-led Women's Resource Center. Enthusiasm and support for such a center is high from students, faculty, and staff. Throughout this year, the Executives have come to hold the belief that the Women's Resource Center should be a student-led thus, a student-fee financed venture.

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BILL SUMMARY

The bill directs the Election Commissioner of UCSU to place a referendum question on the Spring 1993 UCSU Election Ballot regarding the funding of the Women's Resource Center.

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

SECTION 1: That the following question shall be placed on the UCSU 1993 Spring Election Ballot:

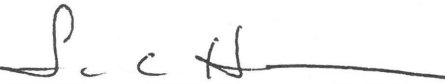
"Do you approve of paying \$0.50 (fifty cents) per student per semester to fund a Women's Resource Center which would act as a clearinghouse, assistance program, and referral service for students on the CU-Boulder campus for three years to begin in FY 93-94?

YES ( ) NO ( )

SECTION 2: This referendum shall be placed on the UCSU 1993 Spring Election Ballot upon passage.

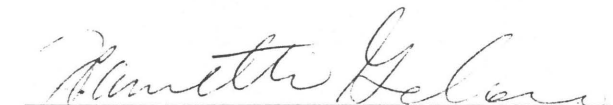
SECTION 3: This bill takes effect upon passage.

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