



TAKE ACTION - OPPOSE SB 363

There have been recent amendments made to SB 363. The CA ALA Girls State committee and task group assigned to meet with legislators are in better alignment around the spirit of the bill but still have some concerns and would like your support to continue to show opposition so they will work with us to resolve.

CALL TO ACTION → MAIN WAY TO HELP TOMORROW #1

1. 📞 Call into CA Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing this Tuesday (5/4) @ 1:30pm and state opposition during **Public Comment - Opposition** portion.
2. 📞 Call your respective representative's office and express opposition.
3. 📧 Email your respective representative's office and express opposition.

1. 📞 **Public Comment - Opposition**

When: This Tuesday, May 4th @ 1:30pm

How to Use Dial-in Conference Line (details below)

We are looking for Girls State Alumna, ALA volunteers, or any CA residents to call into the committee teleconference and simply state their opposition.

Here are some options for opposition statements:

1. "Hello, my name is _____, I am an ALA California Girls State Alumna (*Year*) and I although I support the spirit of this bill, I **oppose** this bill as currently written."
2. "Hello, my name is _____, from _____, California and I **oppose** this bill as amended."
3. "Hello, my name is _____ American Legion member/ American Legion Auxiliary member and I **oppose** this bill as written, with specific reference to the timing concerns.
 - SB 363 is **second** up on the agenda. At the end of SB 363 committee discussion, they open it up for public comment.
 - The Judiciary Committee meeting starts @ 1:30pm.
 - Agenda: <https://sedn.senate.ca.gov/agenda>
 - **The call-in number for May 4, 2021 is: 844-291-4185, and Access Code is: 3266188**



- Upon calling in, you will be placed in a “waiting room” where you will be muted but you can listen to the committee hearing as you wait. It is very important to note, when you are calling in, you must mute the device you are watching the committee hearing on. **There is approximately a 40 second lag time between the phone and video.** In order for you to stay in “real time” and to know when you are being prompted to give testimony, you must listen through your phone and NOT follow the live video.
- When a committee moves to **public comment**, a moderator will ask for anyone wishing to testify in “Support” of the bill to please press 1-0. The moderator will again prompt those waiting in “**Opposition**” when the committee moves to opposition. You should press 1-0 when you are prompted by the moderator – be sure to listen for support or opposition, and DO NOT press 1-0 until the proper position has been asked for.
- When you press 1-0 on your phone, you will wait and an operator will assign you a line number, at that time you will be placed in the queue for identification. **Remember your line number, the moderator will call out that number to identify YOU when it is your turn to testify.**
- When you are successfully placed in the queue, with your assigned line number, the moderator will call out your line number, open your line, and at that time you may address the committee.

All are encouraged to watch hearing from its live stream: <https://www.senate.ca.gov/>

2. 📞 Phone Mobilization

- At this time, only constituents of the following Senators are being asked to call their respective offices and express opposition.
- Please use the following simple “script”. GS Alumna - feel free to include your personal experience or ALA CA Girls State success.

Hello my name is _____ and I am a constituent of Senator _____. I am calling in opposition of SB-363, which will be heard in the Judiciary Committee this Tuesday. I am calling to express my serious opposition to this Bill. I am personally familiar with the ALA Girls State Conference. This experience **(changed my life and)** has had a positive impact on many attendees. Please express to Senator _____ that I urge a "No" vote on SB-363.

If anyone in a Senator’s office has a question, they can be referred to ALA Girls State Director Tammy Sollazzo or ALA Girls State Chief Counselor Kimberly MacKinney.

[Find my representative](#)



3.  **Email Senator**

- Due to time constraints, phone mobilization in #2 above is best. However, if email is your preferred action method, your support is still wanted! 🙌
- Sample message script below. *GS Alumna - feel free to include your personal experience or ALA CA Girls State success.*

Hello my name is _____ and I am a constituent of Senator _____. I am contacting you to express my serious opposition to SB-363, which will be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee this Tuesday. I am personally familiar with the ALA Girls State Conference. This experience **(changed my life and)** has had a positive impact on many attendees. Please express to Senator _____ that I urge a "No" vote on SB-363.

Thank you for your help opposing SB 363 and supporting the future of the ALA Girls State conference program.