

The CA Values Act (SB 54-Deleon) Act Lobby Visits SUGGESTED AGENDA

ROLES:

- Facilitator: _____
- Interpreter (if needed): _____
- Note taker: _____

PREPERATION:

- Bring a copy of the [CA Values Act factsheet](#) to give to the staffer/member.
- Bring a copy of the [NY Times Editorial Board support for the CA Values Act](#) to give to the staffer/member.
- Bring a copy of [law professors' letter in support of SB 54](#)

AGENDA:

1. Thank Member/Staffer for the Meeting.
2. Introductions (name, org, if any special connection to the Member's district)
3. State goal of the meeting is to tell them about the CA Values Act (SB 54-Deleon), to answer any questions, and to ask them for their support.
4. Explain that the CA Values Act is a pending state bill that seeks to defend immigrants in California against the Trump administration's attacks on immigrants and threats of mass deportations.
 - a. **Goal of the bill:**
 - i. The California Values Act will protect the safety and well-being of all Californians by ensuring that state and local resources are not used to fuel mass deportations and separate families.
 - ii. The bill will provide essential safeguards to ensure that police, schools, libraries, hospitals and courts remain accessible to Californians from all walks of life and that California's limited resources are directed to matters of greatest concern to state and local governments.
 - b. Specifically, the bill does the following:
 - i. **Disentangles law enforcement from deportations:**
 1. No state or local resources will be used to investigate, detain, detect, or arrest persons for immigration enforcement purposes.
 2. State and local law enforcement agencies will not respond to ICE hold requests, which are not real warrants and therefore violate the Fourth Amendment prohibition against unreasonable search and seizure.
 3. State and local law enforcement agencies will not respond to ICE notification requests (for release dates and times) except for when individuals have serious or violent felony convictions.

4. ICE will not be given access to local jails or state prisons unless they have a judicial warrant.
 - ii. **Creating safe spaces:**
 1. California schools, libraries, hospitals, and courthouses will remain safe and accessible to all California residents, regardless of immigration status.
 2. Each public entity shall adopt model policies, developed by the CA Attorney General, that limit assistance with immigration enforcement to the fullest extent possible consistent with federal and state law.
5. Share stories of Californians directly impacted by law enforcement or state agency entanglement with immigration enforcement (ICE/CBP) or fear of accessing health, education, or other services.
 - a. Examples:
 - i. Contra Costa County Probation and Sheriff turning over community members to ICE: See [East Bay Express article](#).
 - ii. A victim of car theft in San Francisco being turned over to ICE by SF Police and SF Sheriff's Department. See [SF Examiner article](#).
 - iii. Father turned over to ICE and deported after being stopped for a broken tail light by Cal State Long Beach Police. See [Press Telegram article](#).
 - iv. Grandmother detained and taken into ICE custody after a joint LAPD/ICE raid. See [CBS article](#).
6. Ask for the staffers/members thoughts and questions on the bill
7. Ask if the member if they will vote YES on the bill.
 - a. If yes, ask the member if they would co-sponsor the bill.
 - b. If the member doesn't commit, ask him/her if they have additional questions that you can answer and when would be a good time to follow up with them again.

*Please send a summary of your lobby visit to Angela Chan at angelac@advancingjustice-alc.org. Thank you!