MEMORANDUM

Date: January 4, 2017

To: Campus Community

From: Queen King, University Controller & Senior Director of Financial Services

Subject: CSU Travel Restrictions - Assembly Bill (AB) 1887

In AB 1887, the California Legislature determined that “California must take action to avoid supporting or financing discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people.” As a result, the State of California has prohibited travel to certain states that have enacted laws that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. This travel prohibition applies to state agencies, departments, boards, authorities, and commissions, including an agency, department, board, authority, or commission of the University of California, the Board of Regents of the University of California, and the California State University.

There are some exceptions to the travel prohibition. Exceptions to the new travel prohibition may be granted for the following purposes:

1) Enforcement of California law, including auditing and revenue collection.
2) Litigation.
3) To meet contractual obligations incurred before January 1, 2017.
4) To comply with requests by the federal government to appear before committees.
5) To participate in meetings or training required by a grant or required to maintain grant funding.

At this time, Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, and Tennessee are states subject to California’s ban on state-funded and sponsored travel. A complete list of affected states will be maintained on the California State Attorney General’s website. Travelers and approvers are required to verify the website for the current list when planning out of state travel.

The university will reimburse travel expenses if arrangements (i.e. conference fees, hotels, other travel expenses) were made prior to January 1, 2017 to any of these restricted states.
For additional information regarding AB 1887, please refer to the website: https://oag.ca.gov/ab1887. This website may also be used to verify the current listing of states included in the prohibition list.

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