



ACLU of California 2023 Lobby Day – Sample SENATE Meeting Agenda and Talking Points

1. Meeting Start & Introductions [POINT PERSON: _____]

- We are meeting with you today as part of the ACLU California Action 2023 Lobby Day. There are around 250 constituents from across the state here today to meet with their representatives.
- The ACLU has 200,000 card-carrying members across the state, making up 20% of the ACLU's national membership, plus 600,000 online supporters.
- The ACLU is a non-profit organization that protects and promotes civil rights and liberties such as criminal justice, reproductive justice, and housing justice.
- This folder includes more information on each of the bills we're talking about today as well as a full list of ACLU's sponsored bills. *[[Hand them the leave-behind folder]]*
- *[[Each participant introduces themselves by saying their name, pronouns, city, and any affiliation they want to share.]]*

2. SB 852 (Rubio): Stop ICE Probation Tricks [POINT PERSON _____]

- ICE officers should not be allowed to rely on and exploit a person's probation status when conducting home enforcement operations.
- ICE regularly exploits the ambiguity between "law enforcement officer" and "peace officer" to arrest people on probation using methods that would normally be unconstitutional.
- SB 852 specifies that probation searches can only be conducted by probation officers or peace officers.
- California law already prevents ICE officers from impersonating *parole* officers. This bill will simply update the *probation* search statute so that individuals on probation are also protected from ICE ruses.
- Can we count on your support for SB 852?

Other notes/personal story/connection:

3. AB 742 (Jackson): End K-9 Force [POINT PERSON: _____]

- AB 742 will end the deeply racialized, traumatic, and harmful practices of using police canines to attack people and to terrify and intimidate at public demonstrations.
- These uses of police canines make people fear and further distrust the police, resulting in less safety and security for all—especially communities of color.
- Most people seriously injured by police canines are unarmed, and roughly half are reported to be people with a mental disability or who are in crisis.
- Police canine bites result in permanent disfigurement and injuries, lost body parts, and even death.
- Law enforcement use of attack canines is cruel, inhumane, and unnecessary. Our people, and our dogs, deserve better.
- Can we count on your support for AB 742?

Other notes/personal story/connection:

4. AB 793 (Bonta): Stop Reverse Demands [POINT PERSON _____]

- California has been and must remain a true refuge for those seeking reproductive and gender-affirming healthcare.
- “Reverse demands” are a form of unconstitutional digital surveillance that pose an especially grave risk in a post-*Roe* America.
- These demands can compel companies to search their records and reveal the identities of all people who looked up a particular keyword online or drove down a certain street.
- California-based companies are receiving more of these demands each year, and the demand will only rise as more states seek to criminalize abortions and gender-affirming healthcare.
- AB 793 is part of the Future of Abortion Council (FAB Council) legislative package. We need this bill to preserve our digital privacy and protect Californians’ rights to live life on our own terms.
- Can we count on your support for AB 793?

Other notes/personal story/connection:

5. AB 920 (Bryan): Housing Status & ACA 10 (Haney): Housing Right to Housing [POINT PERSON: _____]

- Discrimination is wrong. Our unhoused neighbors are facing discrimination without protection.
- AB 920 will help protect the civil rights of people experiencing homelessness and prohibit them from being targeted or denied access to programs and benefits by the state or a state-funded agency, simply because they are unhoused.
- Amending California's anti-discrimination laws to recognize housing status as a protected category will make unequal treatment of this group unlawful and provide tools to protect unhoused people from discrimination
- ACA 10 will refer a measure to the voters that will acknowledge a right to housing in the California Constitution and obligate state and local governments to respect, protect, and fulfill this right.
- Can we count on your support for AB 920 & ACA 10?

Other notes/personal story/connection:

6. Thank You & Wrap Up [POINT PERSON: _____]

- *Confirm which bills they committed to support.*
- *ACLU staff will follow up on any questions that you weren't able to answer.*
- *Thank the Member and everyone for their time.*
- *Close the Meeting*