STATE ISSUES COMMITTEE

SCOPE AND PURPOSE

The State Issues Committee became a standing committee of the Association at the direction of the 1973-74 Executive Council. The goal of the Committee is to identify all financial aid issues that come about by state legislation or CSAC action, that might impact or affect the membership.

CHARGE OF THE STATE ISSUES COMMITTEE

- 1. Research state issues to determine their impact on the membership of CASFAA.
- 2. Review relevant materials on all state issues.
- 3. Draft comments and position papers on behalf of the Association.
- 4. Submit letters to the Legislature to help promote change.
- 5. Communicate findings to the membership through the <u>CASFAA Newsletter</u> and special mailings, as needed.
- 6. Provide representation at all Commission meetings.
- 7. The Chair serves as the CASFAA representative on the CSAC Grant Advisory Committee.
- 8. Coordinate the annual Day at the Capitol.
- 9. Review CSAC Publications

SELECTION, COMPOSITION AND SIZE OF THE COMMITTEE

- A. <u>State Issues Committee Chair:</u> President-Elect
- B. State Issues Committee Members

This committee consists of at least one member from each segment, the Ethnic Diversity Committee, the Graduate and Professional Issues Committee, the lending community, and CSAC.

C. Committee Size: Recommended: 15 members

MEETINGS

This Committee meets up to four times per year or by telephone conference call. The goals of each meeting is to review new state bills that impact the membership, determine positions on each bill, and review updates of CPEC and CSAC activities.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Committee budget is based on projected travel costs of the members, and the expenditures the annual DAY AT THE CAPITOL project.

REPORTING

The Committee publishes articles in at least four issues of the <u>CASFAA Newsletter</u> and also publishes "Alert Letters" to the membership, as needed.

HISTORY OF THE STATE ISSUES COMMITTEE

The CASFAA State Issues Committee was authorized in 1973-74.