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Senate Bill 30 (Wiener) — Domestic partnerships.

SUPPORT

The California Civil Liberties Advocacy (CCLA) is writing to express support for SB 30 (Wiener). SB 30 expands domestic partnerships to include eligibility for any person to apply for a domestic partnership without the age restriction of 62 years of age or older, which exists in current law.

SB 30 would give all Californians a chance to elect a domestic partnership without age restriction, whether by a heterosexual or same-sex couple. We believe that this bill would lighten the burden of people who enter into a domestic partnership, giving them the freedom to make their own choices.

The CCLA believes that a domestic partnership is a personal decision, whether the application is for a heterosexual or same-sex partnership. Whatever peoples' decisions, they should be treated with respect and be given the freedom to make their own choices.

Therefore, Californians who decide to enter into a domestic partnership should be recognized, respected, and afforded equal legal protections under the law. The CCLA proudly supports SB 30.

For all of the reasons mentioned above, the CCLA strongly urges an "Aye" vote for Senate Bill 30 (Wiener).

*"Indifference to personal liberty is but the precursor of the state's hostility to it."
— Justice Kennedy, U.S. Supreme Court*