How to call your legislator:

1. Click here to find your State Senator and Representative:

<https://malegislature.gov/Search/FindMyLegislator>

Click on their name to find their phone number at the state house

1. Look at the chart to find out whether they have co-sponsored the Cherish Act
2. Dial the number, ask to speak to the Senator/Representative. You will most likely talk to a staff member rather than the Senator/Representative but you never know.
3. Sample Script: **Introduce yourself -**Give your name and title/role on campus. Say that you are a constituent.

If legislator is a Co-Sponsor already:

I am calling today to thank Senator/Representative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for co-sponsoring the Cherish Act – S.741/H. 1214. Increased funding for public higher education is important to me because [insert personal story about how funding would improve your ability to serve students’ needs or about how lack of funding has hurt your ability to serve students]. I urge you and your colleagues to pass the Cherish Act. Thank you for your time.

If legislator is not a Co-Sponsor:

I am calling today to ask Senator/Representative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Support the Cherish Act – S.741/H. 1214. Increased funding for public higher education is important to me because [insert personal story about how funding would improve your ability to serve students’ needs or about how lack of funding has hurt your ability to serve students]. It is not too late to co-sponsor the Senate Version of the bill. Will you add your name to the list of co-sponsors? Thank you for your time.

Don’t be afraid to ask your legislator why they have not co-sponsored the Cherish Act and offer to follow up with them in case they have any questions.

1. Post about your call on Facebook. Use Twitter #FundOurFuture.