

**SENATE BILL #2588**

**TITLE:** ASUW Waste Audit Initiative  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** December 5, 2017  
**AUTHOR:** Senator Defebaugh  
**SPONSORS:** Senator Kennedy and Means

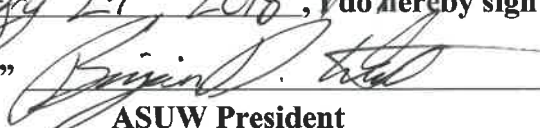


1. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible
3. through accurate representation; and,
4. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has taken numerous steps over previous years
5. to increase sustainability efforts on our campus; and,
6. WHEREAS, having a campus-wide waste audit would assess the sources, amount, and
7. different types of the University of Wyoming's (UW) waste to provide a necessary basis for
8. informing an emerging comprehensive feasibility plan and proposal; and,
9. WHEREAS, said proposal will provide a clear and convincing pathway for campus
10. administration and student stakeholders to effectively pursue institutional composting at the
11. University of Wyoming; and,
12. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government wishes to conduct the Waste Audit in
13. collaboration with the Sustainability Coalition, ACRES Student Farm, the Campus
14. Sustainability Committee, and UW Residence Life and Dining, in support of their ongoing
15. efforts to implement institutional composting; and,
16. WHEREAS, a waste audit would further institutional composting efforts while supporting
17. the UW Breaking Through: 2017-2022 Strategic Plan's sustainability goals and student
18. recruiting/retention efforts by bringing UW in line with the sustainability efforts at peer

19. institutions and UW's Administration;  
20. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming  
21. (ASUW) Student Government to support a waste audit conducted by a student  
22. knowledgeable of campus sustainability, waste, and composting with the support of student  
23. sustainability volunteers and report back to the ASUW Student Government by the Fall of  
24. 2018; and,  
25. THEREFORE, be it further enacted by the ASUW Student Government that \$2,000 be  
26. allocated from the ASUW Reserve to support and conduct the ASUW Waste Audit,  
27. including a \$1,500 stipend for the student who organizes and manages the waste audit  
28. (consistent with stipends for other student sustainability efforts across campus), \$300 for  
29. support of student sustainability volunteer support, and \$200 in materials; and,  
30. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that this allocation of funds and oversight of the ASUW  
31. Waste Audit shall be conducted by the ASUW President and/or designee from the ASUW  
32. Executive branch and with mentorship from Campus Sustainability Committee Co-chair,  
33. Rachael Budowle.

Referred to: Academics, Technology, and Sustainability

Date of Passage: 1/23/2018 Signed:   
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on January 24<sup>th</sup> 2018, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action."   
ASUW President