

SENATE RESOLUTION #1940

Title: Support for the Selective Notification of Parents Regarding Alcohol And Drug Violations

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Sponsors: Senators Bashor, Fresquez, Schaffner, and Willms

1. WHEREAS, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 permit parent
2. notification of alcohol and drug violations committed by students under the age
3. of 21; and
4. WHEREAS, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs proposed a
5. revised policy for the selective notification of parents of alcohol and drug
6. violations; and
7. WHEREAS, the intent, as stated in the policy, is to "...inform parents of students
8. under the age of 21 of severe or repeated violations of alcohol or controlled
9. substance possession or use when such violations endanger the health or welfare
10. of the student or others"; and
11. WHEREAS, potentially harmful decisions made by a student need to be
12. addressed within appropriate measures, as put forth in this policy, to prevent
13. future detrimental circumstances; and
14. WHEREAS, it is the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming's
15. interpretation of this policy, the intent in informing parents is to involve them
16. in the solution process for the student in violation; and
17. WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming will
18. actively participate in the annual review that recommends the continuation,

19. modification, or elimination of this policy as described in Addendum to Senate
20. Resolution #1940.
21. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Student Senate of the Associated Students
22. of the University of Wyoming supports the revised Policy for the Selective
23. Notification of Parents of Alcohol and Drug Violations when used in the strictest
24. interpretation and not for minor violations.

Referred to: Committee of the Whole

Date of Passage: February 29, 2000

Signed:


(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 3/2/2000, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action."


ASUW President

ADDENDUM TO SENATE RESOLUTION #1940
POLICY FOR THE SELECTIVE NOTIFICATION OF PARENTS OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG VIOLATIONS

The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 permit institutions of higher education to disclose to the parents or legal guardians of a student under the age of 21 years information regarding the violation of any federal, state, or local law and institutional disciplinary rule or policy related to the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance. Pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the University of Wyoming may inform parents of students under the age of 21 of severe or repeated violations of alcohol or controlled substance possession or use when such violations endanger the health or welfare of the student or others. Parental notification shall be given only after:

- A due process finding under existing institutional procedures that the student is responsible for such violation.
- The student has been consulted or informed.
- The notification has been endorsed and coordinated by the Director of the Office of Student Life in consultation with the directors of the University Counseling Center and Student Health Services or their designees.

This policy will be evaluated annually by the Vice President for Student Affairs and the President of ASUW who shall jointly appoint a committee composed of three students and three faculty/staff to determine if the policy should be continued, modified, or eliminated, with such findings and recommendations to be forwarded to the President.