SENATE RESOLUTION #2125

Title: Student Purchase of Renewable Energy through $.52 Fee Increase

Date: November 2, 2005

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Sponsors: Senators Kinner and Wilson

1. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming used 52,267,200 kilowatt hours of
electricity during Fiscal Year 2004; and

2. WHEREAS, of that quantity, the University of Wyoming Union used

3. 1,739,100 Kilowatt hours; and

4. WHEREAS, the electricity is produced primarily by coal-burning power

5. plants; and

7. WHEREAS, fossil fuel production of the amount of electricity used by the

8. University of Wyoming in Fiscal Year 2004 emitted approximately 52,267

9. tons of carbon dioxide, a primary greenhouse gas; and

10. WHEREAS, wind energy is clean, effective, affordable, and renewable; and

11. WHEREAS, replacing the energy needs of the Wyoming Union with wind

12. energy would offset 1,739 tons of carbon dioxide emissions annually; and

13. WHEREAS, discounted blocks of wind energy can be purchased from Pacific

14. Power, the University of Wyoming’s utility distributor, through the Blue

15. Skies QS Program; and

16. WHEREAS, the added energy cost to purchase enough wind energy to offset

17. the energy needs of the Wyoming Union is equal to roughly $.52 per student

18. each semester; and
19. WHEREAS, 634 University of Wyoming students signed a petition in support of a $.52 fee increase for wind energy; and
20. WHEREAS, it is the duty of ASUW Senators to represent the student voice.
21. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) support further research of a student fee increase of $.52 for FY’08; and
22. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the $.52 increase be assessed each semester and the revenue raised going to purchase wind energy for the Wyoming Union; and
23. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that this fee increase be sent to the Mandatory Student Fee Committee for further review.

Referred to: Budget and Planning Committee

Date of Passage: November 15, 2005

Signed: [Signature]
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on November 16, 2005, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action.”

ASUW President

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