SENATE BILL #2576

TITLE: Revision of the Mission Statement for Student Legal Services

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SPONSORS: President Wetzel; Senators Defebaugh and Westlake; Programs and Institutional Development Committee and Student Legal Services

1. WHEREAS, the Mission of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government is to serve our fellow students through professional
3. interaction with campus programs and organizations; and,
4. WHEREAS, Student Legal Services (SLS) is a valuable ASUW Program for students at
5. the University of Wyoming (UW) that provides legal advice for students and engages
6. in educational outreach on campus; and,
7. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has declared its commitment to ensuring the
8. long-term success of SLS with the Dean of Students Office through Senate Bill #2465; and,
9. WHEREAS, upon approval of the UW Board of Trustees (BOT), Senate Resolution #0884
10. adopted the Students’ Attorney Act which created SLS as an ASUW Program; and,
11. WHEREAS, UW Regulation 8-249 Section II outlines that “the ASUW may establish,
12. modify, and discontinue programs, services, and operations that benefit and promote the
13. general welfare of the students of the University”; and,
14. WHEREAS, the current SLS Mission Statement is focused on offering legal services and
15. does not fully encompass the educational outreach portion of the SLS mission; and,
16. WHEREAS, the current SLS Mission Statement includes clunky and redundant
17. references to ASUW documents that can be referenced in the ASUW Program
18. Description document; and,
19. WHEREAS, the SLS program can benefit from a concise, focused Mission Statement to
20. guide its daily operations and broader institutional goals.
21. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
22. (ASUW) Student Government that the revised Student Legal Services (SLS) Mission
23. Statement read as outlined in Addendum A.

Referred to: ___________________________ PID ___________________________

Date of Passage: 10/25/2017 Signed: ___________________________

"Being enacted on October 25th, 2017, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action." ___________________________

ASUW President
Addendum A

Student Legal Services (SLS) Mission Statement

Empowering University of Wyoming students to confidently navigate society and the legal system by providing quality legal advice and information through individual meetings and educational outreach.

It is the mission of Student Legal Services to provide legal services to the University of Wyoming student community, said legal service to include such services as are defined and limited by the ASUW Program Description document, said services to be offered in support of the mission of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming as set forth in the Preamble to the Constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming.