

SENATE RESOLUTION #2125

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

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Sponsors: Senators Kinner and Wilson

1. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming used 52,267,200 kilowatt hours of
2. electricity during Fiscal Year 2004; and
3. WHEREAS, of that quantity, the University of Wyoming Union used
4. 1,739,100 Kilowatt hours; and
5. WHEREAS, the electricity is produced primarily by coal-burning power
6. 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
20. support of a \$.52 fee increase for wind energy; and
21. WHEREAS, it is the duty of ASUW Senators to represent the student voice.
22. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University
23. of Wyoming (ASUW) support further research of a student fee increase of
24. \$.52 for FY'08; and
25. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the \$.52 increase be assessed each
26. semester and the revenue raised going to purchase wind energy for the
27. Wyoming Union; and
28. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that this fee increase be sent to the
29. Mandatory Student Fee Committee for further review.

Referred to: Budget and Planning Committee

Date of Passage: November 15, 2005

Signed:


(ASUW Chairperson)

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


ASUW President