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SENATE RESOLUTION #2485

TITLE: ASUW Support for House Bill 13: Public Records-Student Communications

DATE: February 3, 2016

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SPONSORS: President Schueler; Executive Rogers; Senators Hernandez, Krell, and Maze;
Student-At-Large Wetzel



1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Associated Students of the University of
2. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government to represent our fellow students accurately; and,
3. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government, through Senate Resolution #2479, ASUW
4. Significance in Wyoming Government, has unanimously resolved to serve students through
5. advocacy efforts and involvement at both state and local levels of government; and,
6. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has also unanimously resolved, through
7. Senate Resolution #2471, ASUW Stance on Legislative Action for Student Email Privacy
8. Protection, to support efforts to develop legislation that protects the privacy of electronic
9. student communications; and,
10. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government holds that students at the University of
11. Wyoming (UW) are not public officials; and,
12. WHEREAS, House Bill 13, Public Records-Student Communication, a product of the
13. Wyoming State Legislature's sub-committee of the Joint Digital Information Privacy Task
14. Force's proposed language, effectively protects the privacy of electronic student
15. communications through an exemption under the Wyoming Public Records Act; and,
16. WHEREAS, the language of the bill adequately addresses the ASUW Student Government
17. and constituent concerns regarding students, part-time compensated, non-compensated,
18. non-benefited student employees, and ASUW officials as exempt from the status of public

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19. official; and,

20. WHEREAS, during a period of statewide financial constraint, House Bill 13 requires no

21. fiscal or personnel impact but would significantly uphold student e-mail privacy at UW.

22. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming

23. (ASUW) Student Government support House Bill 13, Public Records-Student

24. Communications; and,

25. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW urge leaders of the State of Wyoming to

26. pass House Bill 13 during the 2016 Legislative Session, to be effective on July 1, 2016.

Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy

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Signed: 

(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 2/23/2016, I do hereby sign my name hereto and

approve this Senate action.”



ASUW President