

**As Adopted by the Senate**

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**S. R. No. 316**

**Senator Faber**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Permitting the use of the Ohio Senate Chambers by the  
Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association  
District on March 19, 2016.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 131st General 1  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to grant permission for the Ohio 2  
Senate Chambers to be used by the Western Ohio National Speech and 3  
Debate Association District for its Student Congress competition 4  
on 5  
March 19, 2016; and 6

WHEREAS, As part of its annual Student Congress competition, 7  
the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association District 8  
will use the Ohio Senate Chambers on 9  
March 19, 2016, for a mock legislative debate. This activity will 10  
provide a unique opportunity for participants to experience 11  
firsthand rules and procedures similar to those of the state 12  
legislature and will help them to better understand the democratic 13  
process that is the cornerstone of our nation; and 14

WHEREAS, The knowledge that participants will gain through 15  
their involvement with the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate 16  
Association District's Student Congress competition will not only 17  
enrich their total educational experience but will also prepare 18  
them to take a more active role in fulfilling their 19  
responsibilities as citizens of this great state and nation; and 20

WHEREAS, The Senate Chambers are an appropriate location for 21  
the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association District's 22  
Student Congress activities. Following a true legislative format 23  
and held within the setting in which the lawmaking process 24  
normally takes place, the mock debates will provide the group's 25

members with an excellent opportunity to engage in a simulation of government in action; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, authorize the use of the Ohio Senate Chambers on March 19, 2016, by the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association District for its Student Congress competition, contingent upon the availability of those facilities, and commend all those involved with this event on their civic responsibility; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association District.