

## As Introduced

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**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  
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to grant permission for the Ohio  
Senate Chambers to be used by the Western Ohio National Speech and  
Debate Association District for its Student Congress competition  
on  
March 19, 2016; and

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

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

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

members with an excellent opportunity to engage in a simulation of 26  
government in action; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 131st 28  
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, authorize 29  
the use of the Ohio Senate Chambers on 30  
March 19, 2016, by the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate 31  
Association District for its Student Congress competition, 32  
contingent upon the availability of those facilities, and commend 33  
all those involved with this event on their civic responsibility; 34  
and be it further 35

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 36  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Western Ohio National 37  
Speech and Debate Association District. 38