

**Senators Faber, Widener**

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**RESOLUTION**

Permitting the use of the Ohio Senate Chambers by the Western Ohio National Forensic League District on March 15, 2014.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to grant permission for the Ohio Senate Chambers to be used by the Western Ohio National Forensic League District for its Student Congress competition on March 15, 2014; and

WHEREAS, As part of its annual Student Congress competition, the Western Ohio National Forensic League District will use the Ohio Senate Chambers on March 15, 2014, 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 Forensic League 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 Forensic League 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 government in action; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 130th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, authorize the use of the Ohio Senate Chambers on March 15, 2014, by the Western Ohio National Forensic League 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 Forensic League District.