

**ATTACHMENT B  
RESOLUTION  
IN OPPOSITION TO  
SENATE BILL 24**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24, referred to as an "academic bill of rights", has been introduced into the 126th session of the Ohio General Assembly; and Wright State University is committed through its mission statement to serve as a catalyst for educational excellence to meet the need for an educated citizenry dedicated to lifelong learning and service; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24, if adopted into law, imposes unnecessary constraints and restrictions on scholarship, service, and teaching by college and university faculty; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24 contains language so ambiguous as to invite frivolous and unwarranted challenges to practically every aspect of university life; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24 imposes a disturbing redefinition of academic freedom; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24 is superfluous as student rights expressed in its language are already protected by the Student Handbook, Code of Student Conduct, by other university policies, and by the Ohio and United States Constitutions; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University adopted a diversity statement in 1991 wherein the university is "committed to achieving an intellectual, cultural, and social environment on campus in which all are free to make their contribution," an environment "in which every student may think, and learn, and grow without prejudice, without intimidation, and without discrimination;" and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 24 is a redundant unnecessary piece of legislation that actually is a bill of restrictions, none of which is in furtherance of the aims of higher education in this or any other college or university;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the University Faculty Senate of Wright State University adamantly and vigorously opposes Senate Bill 24, both in spirit and in substance