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**INDEPENDENT SENATOR
RESOLUTION**

SR-13-14-46 IS

Resolves that, by a vote of the Faculty Senate, Marshall University opposes the imposition of the new West Virginia Paycard adopted by the state Auditor's Office and requests the Auditor to provide an explanation of statutory authority for this action.

RATIONALE:

While current West Virginia State Code gives the Treasurer's and Auditor's Offices the joint **authority to establish**, the West Virginia Paycard program and to make transfers to direct deposit accounts **authorized by state employees**, it does not give them the **authority to require** all state employees to participate in either of those programs.

With the new paycard there are currently too many unknowns about the fees that could be assessed and how such unknowns would impact employees. This policy potentially could not only impact current workers who do not have direct deposit, but it could also impact other employees travel reimbursements. Those funds usually come via check through the postal service. It is not clear to the Senate how such reimbursements would be distributed in the future.

Furthermore, there are additional concerns regarding employee safety. If employees withdraw funds from their debit cards at one of the proposed locations, they could become targets of criminals at those locations on payday.

FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:

APPROVED BY THE
FACULTY SENATE:

Eldon R. Larse

DATE: 10/28/13

DISAPPROVED BY THE
FACULTY SENATE:

DATE: _____

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

READ: [Signature]

DATE: 10/30/13