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## Resolution to Oppose HB 2097, Permitting Community and Technical Colleges and Universities to Charge Students Half of the Cost of a Credit for Every Credit Taken Over the Fifteenth Hour

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**Resolution to Oppose HB 2097, Permitting Community and Technical Colleges and Universities to Charge Students Half the Cost of a Credit for Every Credit Taken Over the Fifteenth Hour**

The Legislative Affairs Committee submits the following resolution:

*Whereas*, The Higher Education Policy Commission has a dedicated goal of increasing graduation rates in West Virginia;

*Whereas*, many motivated students take more than 15 credits per semester to hasten their completion of requirements for graduation;

*Whereas*, charging additional fees to motivated students is a defacto punishment for their ambition to complete their degree;

*Whereas*, many students must take more than 15 credit hours per semester because of program requirements, such as labs, military exercises, music practicums, etc. and could therefore be punished merely for taking a normal course load for their major if this bill passes;

*Be it resolved*, that the Faculty Senate of Marshall University opposes allowing higher education institutions to charge additional rates for students taking more than 15 credit hours per semester and urges defeat of HB 2097.

*We so resolve.*

**FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:**

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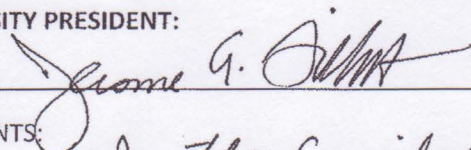
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**UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:**

READ:



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COMMENTS:

*In the Council of Presidents meeting earlier this year, I was not opposed to this. I have no intention of implementing this option at Marshall.* 