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**Legislative Affairs Committee
RECOMMENDATION**

SR 20-21-22 LAC

Recommends that Faculty Senate urge members of the West Virginia Legislature to support preservation of the autonomy of the Board of Governors to regulate the safety and security of each campus community.

RATIONALE:

Policies that may be appropriate at one institution are not necessarily appropriate at other institutions.

Each Board of Governors is more familiar with conditions of the campus for which it is responsible and with the desires of members of that campus community.

Boards of Governors have consulted with their presidents and campus police and have repeatedly determined that allowing firearms on campus poses an unnecessary danger to all concerned.

There is substantial opposition on the Marshall campus to the idea of having students and others carrying firearms on campus, as shown by Faculty Senate Resolutions adopted 19 February 2016, 24 February 2017, 23 February 2018 and 3 November 2018.

Therefore, we recommend urging the Senate to ask members of the Legislature to oppose and vote against SB 246 and any other bills aimed at removing from Boards of Governors their autonomy over questions of campus safety and security.

FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:

APPROVED BY THE
FACULTY SENATE:  DATE: Mar. 5, 2021

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UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

APPROVED:  DATE: March 8, 2021

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COMMENTS: