ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION

SUMMARY OF ACTION

TITLE OF LEGISLATION: Extension of Visitation Hours

NUMBER: 86-26-S

ACTION TAKEN BY CONGRESS: Failed 9 - 17

LEGISLATION FORWARDED TO: N/A

DATE FORWARDED: N/A

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES: N/A

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION: N/A
Resolution 86-26-S
Extension of Visitation Hours
Introduced 4-01-86

PURPOSE: For the University to extend visitation hours by one hour on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

STATUS: FAILED

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Associated Student Government to effectively represent the interests of the student body and to provide for the general welfare of students, and

WHEREAS, the Associated Student Government conducted a referendum in the Spring of 1984 as follows: 85.4% in favor, 14.6% against the University having a policy of twenty-four (24)-hour resident hall visitation on weekends, and

WHEREAS, research indicates since 1970 that eight (8) known resolutions have been sent to administration and yet no policy has been adopted, and

WHEREAS, the students of Western Kentucky University are responsible adults, not subject to any moral standards set by the University administrators, and

WHEREAS, the student body, as capable adults, are able of making reasonable judgement as to what they should or should not be exposed to, and

WHEREAS, weekend would be defined as Friday and Saturday, and

WHEREAS, a survey was taken in 1979 and results as follows: of 2,745 people voting, 2,176 voted for the 24-hour open house on weekends, and

WHEREAS, Open House/visitation is the major opportunity for the student body to entertain friends and family and to share this personal environment with their guests, and
WHEREAS, The Associated Student Government endorsed the student mass protest called by the Western Kentucky University mass action committee on April 1, 1972 for the purpose of expressing student sentiment for open visitation on weekends, and

WHEREAS, The residence halls are the homes of all on-campus students while they attend Western Kentucky University and as such should be considered a place to entertain friends and family instead of just a mandatory sleeping place provided by the University, and

WHEREAS, Open house is no more or no less than a time for two people of the opposite sex to socialize or study in a familiar and comfortable environment. With the proper check-in procedure, everyone in the building is more closely accounted for than at any other time during the day,

THEREFORE, Be it resolved that we, the Associated Student Government being duly elected representatives of the student body, do strongly recommend that the University extend visitation hours by one hour on Thursday (Noon (12:00) p.m. - 1:00 a.m.), Friday (Noon (12:00) p.m. - 3:00 a.m.), and Saturday (Noon (12:00) p.m. - 3:00 a.m.),

FURTHERMORE, The Associated Student Government asks for this policy, with the majority of the student body's consent and approval.

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