

**As Adopted by the House**

**132nd General Assembly  
Regular Session  
2017-2018**

**H. R. No. 54**

**Speaker Rosenberger**

---

**A RESOLUTION**

Authorizing the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate 1  
Association to use the Ohio House Chambers to conduct 2  
its 2017 congressional debate competition. 3

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF  
OHIO:**

WHEREAS, The members of the Ohio House of Representatives of 4  
the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio have learned that the Western 5  
Ohio National Speech and Debate Association has requested 6  
permission to use the Ohio House Chambers for its congressional 7  
debate competition, March 18, 2017; and 8

WHEREAS, As part of its annual Student Congress competition, 9  
the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association will use 10  
the Ohio House Chambers on March 18, 2017, for a mock legislative 11  
debate. This activity will provide a unique opportunity for 12  
participants to experience firsthand rules and procedures similar 13  
to those of the state legislature and will help them to better 14  
understand the democratic process that is the cornerstone of our 15  
nation; and 16

WHEREAS, The knowledge that participants will gain through 17  
their involvement with the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate 18  
Association's Student Congress competition will not only enrich 19  
their total educational experience but will also prepare them to 20  
take a more active role in fulfilling their responsibilities as 21  
citizens of this great state and nation; and 22

WHEREAS, The House Chambers are an appropriate location for 23  
the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association's Student 24

Congress activities. Following a true legislative format and held 25  
within the setting in which the lawmaking process normally takes 26  
place, the mock debates will provide the group's members with an 27  
excellent opportunity to engage in a simulation of government in 28  
action; therefore be it 29

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Ohio House of 30  
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 31  
this Resolution, authorize the use of the Ohio House Chambers on 32  
March 18, 2017, by the Western Ohio National Speech and Debate 33  
Association for its Student Congress competition, contingent upon 34  
the availability of those facilities, and commend all those 35  
involved with this event on their civic responsibility; and be it 36  
further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Ohio House of Representatives 38  
transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the 39  
Western Ohio National Speech and Debate Association. 40