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5TH SENATE
2ND SESSION

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Princeton Campus Smoking Reform Act

IN THE SENATE OF THE WESTMINSTER SGA

April 9, 2009

SENATOR FRIARS AND SENATOR HALBSTEIN submitted
the following bill; which is being considered and agreed
to

A BILL

Princeton Campus Smoking Reform Act

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student

*Government Association of Westminster Choir College on
the Princeton Campus of Rider University assembled,*

SECTION 1: SMOKING REFORM ACT

SMOKING REFORM ACT.—This Act may be cited as the “Smoking Reform Act.”

SECTION 2: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

(1) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds the following:

(A) Second-hand smoke is a serious problem, especially on a campus where all students are required to sing.

(B) Common smoking areas on campus currently include: The stairway outside of Bristol Chapel, the bench closest to the “DIPS”, the loading dock behind the Student Center, and the enclosed entranceway of Seabrook Hall.

(C) Given that students frequently pass through the aforementioned areas, they are victims of second-hand smoke.

(D) The Lawrenceville SGA has recently agreed upon a more strict smoking policy that bans smoking within twenty-five feet of all building entranceways, first-floor windows, and air ventilation systems in compliance with the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards.

(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to:

(A) Create one designated smoking area on the Princeton Campus of Rider University at the base of the hill of Talbott Library.

(B) Allow students to smoke in this area of the campus and nowhere else.

(C) Gain the support of the Student Senate for a proposal to the Student Finance Board for a Gazebo costing between \$2,000 and \$2,500 to house the smokers area.

(D) Add to the end of section 5.5 of the "Code of Social Conduct" in Rider University's "*The Source*" the following sentence: "Furthermore, the Princeton Campus of Rider University prohibits smoking anywhere on campus with the exception of the designated smoking area at the base of the hill of Talbott Library." This location is in compliance with the LEED standards for buildings.

SECTION 3: SMOKING POLICY

IN GENERAL.—

All students wishing to smoke on the Princeton Campus of Rider University must do so in the newly formed designated smoking area in the Gazebo at the base of the hill of Talbott Library. Smoking will no longer be permitted anywhere else on campus. Students violating this policy will be subject to consequences ranging from levels 2-4, in compliance with Rider University's "*The Source*."

SECTION 4: ENACTMENT

This bill should be enacted upon the arrival and placement of this new Gazebo. By April 24, 2009 all

students, staff and faculty of Rider University must be notified via e-mail of the new smoking policy on the Princeton Campus. The Westminster Choir College Student Body Secretary must send out this e-mail via the Rider University Student ListServ.