

NEVADA GIRLS STATE
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

Memorializes the 2019 session of the Nevada legislature to enact legislation that will expand the freedom of speech “safe zones” on Nevada public college campuses to include the entire campus.

WHEREAS, Nevada public college campuses currently have very few areas where students and the public can voice their opinions and use their right to freedom of speech safely without direct consequences from the university. For example, UNLV has one (1) safe space for free speech, and only four (4) at UNR; and

WHEREAS, The use of limited free speech zones only perpetuates echo chambers and causes college students to not entertain different ideologies, which does not accurately prepare college students for the real world; and

WHEREAS, Freedom of speech is defined as the right of people to express their opinions publicly without governmental interference subject to the laws against libel, incitement to violence or rebellion, et cetera; colleges’ use of free and “unfree” speech zones innately creates government interference; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to protect constitutional free speech instead of oppressing it; and

WHEREAS, “Safe zones” shall be defined as areas around the public college campus where the students and the public can voice their opinions and use their right to freedom of speech safely without consequences; and

WHEREAS, All Nevada public colleges and universities will be considered free speech zones; and

WHEREAS, Disruptions of classes and clubs such as stated by the freedom of speech will exempted from the college campus definition of freedom of speech; therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE GIRLS STATE OF NEVADA assembled in Carson City on June 29, 2018 that the 2019 session of the Nevada Legislature is hereby memorialized to enact legislation to expand the freedom of speech “safe zones” on Nevada public college campuses to include the entire campus.