

Resolution on Budget Footnotes

Whereas, Members of the Wyoming Legislature increasingly use footnote amendments to the budget bill to legislate, in lieu of using the full legislative process for proposals that should be stand-alone bills; and

Whereas, Footnotes to the state budget bill bypass the full legislative process of committee and floor debate and voting in both chambers; and

Whereas, The Wyoming legislative process for consideration of bills involves full debate in the House and Senate, including standing committee consideration, thereby providing an opportunity for participation by legislators and citizens; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Wyoming League of Women Voters recommends that the Wyoming Legislature refrain from using budget bill footnotes to enact legislation that should be in stand-alone bills that go through the full legislative process.

Approved by the League of Women Voters of Wyoming Convention, April 26, 2014.