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Session: 7<sup>th</sup>

Forty-First Congress

**Moved by:** Senator Deml  
**Second by:** President Lubke

**USS 41.07.01**

**Name of the Resolution:** In Support of Wisconsin Online Voter Registration

**Resolution:**

WHEREAS: increased accessibility to voting procedures serves to benefit not only college students living away from home, but all state of Wisconsin residents at large; and

WHEREAS: student engagement in the elections process is essential to becoming a well-rounded citizen through the college experience; and

WHEREAS: the World Wide Web is a useful and securable communication tool heavily employed by today's students, and is successfully used for identity-sensitive procedures such as opening a bank account, filing taxes, or changing address through the DMV; and

WHEREAS: the process of data entry, including that of paper voter registration material, is plagued with labor costs and risk of inaccuracy; and

WHEREAS: the implementation of an online voter registration system cross-referenced with the state driver license database has been popular and successful in Arizona, Washington, Kansas, Oregon, Colorado, Louisiana, Utah, and Indiana; and

WHEREAS: the voting process itself would remain unchanged, requiring the in-person completion of a physical ballot at a designated polling location;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:** that the Forty-First Congress of the University Student Senate of the Stout Student Association support provisions to implement an online voter registration system, in hopes that it will increase student accessibility to the voter registration process, especially for those wishing to register in their home municipality; and

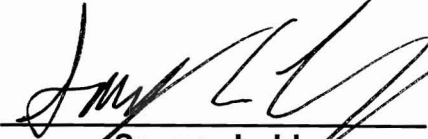
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Forty-First Congress of the University Student Senate of the Stout Student Association urge immediate legislative action; and


BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: that upon passage, President Lubke transmit a copy of this resolution to Charles W. Sorensen, Chancellor; Julie Furst-Bowe, Provost; Abel Adekola, Chair of the University Faculty Senate; Todd Burns, Chair of the Senate of Academic Staff; Joan Thomas, Dean of Students; Senator Russ Feingold; Senator Herb Kohl; Congressman Ron Kind; State Senator Sheila Harsdorf; State Representative John Murtha; Wisconsin Government Accountability Board Members, United Council of UW Students; County Board; UW System President; and UW System Student Government Presidents.

Motion:

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- Passed
- Tabled for \_\_\_\_\_
- Tabled indefinitely
- Passed as amended

  
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