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October 14, 1997

Representative Robin Kreibich  
Chair, Colleges & Universities Committee  
P.O. Box 8952  
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Representative Kreibich,

I am writing to you concerning AB-227, which would prohibit creating student identification numbers based on a student's Social Security Number. The Technical College District Boards Association had an opportunity to work with Representative Marlin Schneider and his staff concerning this bill.


The Boards Association expressed an interest in two aspects of this bill; both of which have now been appropriately addressed. First, we asked that the bill's effective date be established far enough in the future to avoid an abrupt, unplanned reallocation of resources necessary to make this significant data processing change. I understand that the bill would apply to students who first enroll in a Wisconsin Technical College beginning in 1999. This seems reasonable.

Second, we explained that the Colleges will continue to be required to collect and maintain Social Security Numbers for federal reporting purposes, the administration of financial aid, and similar program requirements. We received word through Representative Schneider's office that the Colleges may continue to collect and maintain Social Security Numbers under this bill so long as they are not used as the student's identification number.

On this basis, the Boards Association does not oppose AB-227. Feel free to contact me if you or your staff would like additional information or have any questions.

Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,



Paul Gabriel  
Executive Director

cc: Representative Marlin Schneider  
Janet Washbon, WTCS Board  
Joseph Rice, Legislative Committee Chairperson