

STATE OF INDIANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

State House, Second Floor Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

May 10, 2011

The Honorable Bosma C. Bosma Speaker of the House Indiana State House of Representatives 117th General Assembly State House Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Speaker Bosma and Members of the Indiana House of Representatives:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Indiana, under the provisions of Article 5, Section 14, of the Constitution of the State of Indiana, I do hereby veto House Enrolled Act 1177, enacted during the regular session of the 117th General Assembly, which would require that the majority of the members of the board of trustees of both Indiana University and Ball State University be residents of Indiana, and that all members of the I.U. board be citizens of the United States.

While in practice this may always be the case, to require it by law expresses a narrow and provincial outlook inconsistent with the global role and stature we hope these schools will aspire to and attain. Also, the day may well come when these world-class institutions will want to include illustrious alumni from around the globe on their boards. The universities should not be denied such opportunities, nor future governors prohibited from making such appointments.

Sincerely,

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

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