



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6885

LCO No. 2990



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
REP. RYAN, 139th Dist.
(By Request)

**AN ACT CONCERNING ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND
WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF
HIGHER EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to protect faculty at public
- 2 institutions of higher education from adverse personnel actions for his
- 3 or her speech related to matters including, but not limited to, (1)
- 4 scholarship or research, (2) political, social or economic issues, or (3)
- 5 criticism of the institution of higher education or disclosure of matters
- 6 of public concern at the institution of higher education.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect any faculty member's right to free speech and academic
expression at public institutions of higher education.