

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY  
FORTY-SIXTH SENATE  
FOURTEENTH SESSION  
11/16/16**

**BILL #4609  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
REMOVING THE PETITION CLAUSE FOR NEW SENATE SEATS**

SPONSORED BY: External Affairs Committee

WRITTEN BY: Peter James Seel, Internal Committee Chair

COLLABORATED WITH: Isabel Brown, Senate Outreach Officer, Senator CVMBS

ENDORSED BY:

ABSTRACT: A bill to amend the Constitution removing the Senator petition process.

WHEREAS

The petition process for a new Senate seat specified in the Constitution following the passage of the Diversity Bill is vague and attempts to establish provisions for how to conduct petitions have been difficult and unfruitful; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ENACTED

That Section 202 of the ASCSU Constitution which currently reads

“Senators shall be elected by a plurality vote of the members voting for that college at the general election, with one Senator from each academic college for every 750 members of ASCSU, or major portion (375) thereof in that college, provided that every college has at least two Senators. The Graduate School shall be represented in the same manner. The Student Diversity Programs and Services Offices and the Adult Learner and Veteran Service Office and the Office of International Programs shall be represented with one Senator per office and shall be appointed to office at the discretion of that office. A registered student organization representing a historically underrepresented population which is not currently represented in the body may also petition the Director of Diversity and upon a 2/3 vote receive a seat, appointed by their respective executive officer, and in operate in a manner similar to SDPS offices. Senators shall be allowed to pursue only one Senate seat. If pursuing a seat to represent a college as a member or one anticipating membership of that college, they shall be elected by the members of that college during the general elections or by approval of their college council at any other time during the year. These Senators must be members of the respective body that they represent by the

first Senate session of the fall semester. The term of office for Senators shall begin with their being sworn in at a Senate session and will last until the new Senate is seated.”

Be amended to,

“Senators shall be elected by a plurality vote of the members voting for that college at the general election, with one Senator from each academic college for every 750 members of ASCSU, or major portion (375) thereof in that college, provided that every college has at least two Senators. The Graduate School shall be represented in the same manner. The Student Diversity Programs and Services Offices and the Adult Learner and Veteran Service Office and the Office of International Programs shall be represented with one Senator per office and shall be appointed to office at the discretion of that office. If pursuing a seat to represent a college as a member or one anticipating membership of that college, they shall be elected by the members of that college during the general elections or by approval of their college council at any other time during the year. These Senators must be members of the respective body that they represent by the first Senate session of the fall semester. The term of office for Senators shall begin with their being sworn in at a Senate session and will last until the new Senate is seated.”

;and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That Section 211 of the ASCSU Constitution which currently reads,

“Associate Senators shall be elected by their respective College Council. There shall be no more than two Associate Senators for each college Senator. Associate Senators must be a member of the college that they represent. The SDPS, ALVS, International Programs offices and any student organization granted a Senator position by Senate will be provided with no more than one Associate Senator.”

Be amended to,

“Associate Senators shall be elected by their respective College Council. There shall be no more than two Associate Senators for each college Senator. Associate Senators must be a member of the college that they represent. The SDPS, ALVS, International Programs offices will be provided with no more than one Associate Senator.”

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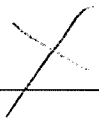
That it is strongly recommended for a forum or collaborative meeting between ASCSU and their constituents to discuss the inclusion of further voices on how to proceed with this clause; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Dr. Tony Frank, Colorado State University President; and Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs

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
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