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

BILL #4613 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT RELIGIOUS REPRESENTATION IN SENATE

SPONSORED BY: Internal Affairs Committee; Spencer James Nolan, Director of Health;

WRITTEN BY: Peter James Seel, Internal Affairs Committee Chair

COLLABORATED WITH: Isabel Brown, Senate Outreach Officer, Senator CVMBS; Rachel Sharn, President of the Multi-Faith and Belief Council

ENDORSED BY:

ABSTRACT: A bill to amend the Constitution to offer a Senator and Associate Senator position to the Multi-Faith and Belief Student Council.

WHEREAS

Since other protected classes are now represented in the ASCSU Senate, religions should be represented in the body in a similar manner; so,

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. The Multi-Faith and Belief Student Council shall be represented by one Senator, appointed by the Council. Senators shall be allowed to pursue only one Senate seat. 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. 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 and the Multi-Faith and Belief Student Council and any student organization granted a Senator position by Senate will be provided with no more than one Associate Senator."

;and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That it is strongly recommended that new legislation regarding Senator job descriptions be drafted before the end of the session; 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; Viviane Emphraimson-Abt, Coordinator of Resiliency and Well-Being; Rachel Sharn, President, Multi-Faith and Belief Student Council

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