

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
FORTY-SIXTH SENATE
THIRTIETH SESSION
APRIL 19TH, 2017**

BILL #4623

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REMOVING THE PETITION CLAUSE

SPONSORED BY:

WRITTEN BY: Jennifer Murray, Senator, College of Liberal Arts

COLLABORATED WITH: Peter James Seel, Internal Committee Chair

ENDORSED BY: Bayler Shubert, Associated Senator, Warner College of Natural Resources; Connor Cheadle, Senator, Walter Scott Jr College of Engineering; Josh Lindell, Associated Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Yuval Rosenthal, Associated Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Brianna Kingsley, Senator, Warner College of Natural Resources; Cerridwyn Nordstrom, Senator, RDS; Kathryn Haggstrom, Senator, Graduate Council; Isaiah Martin, External Committee Chair

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 and those attempts have failed; and,

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This was already brought to our attention in the fourteenth senate session of the 46th senate and it failed because of the hopes of a petition process being created and no other attempts have been made; 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. The Multi-Faith and Belief Council shall be represented by one senator, appointed by the council. 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 Council shall be represented by one senator, appointed by the council. A registered student organization not currently represented in the body, may write a Constitutional Amendment if seeking a seat in the Senate body. This seat would be approved by the Senate body by a 2/3 vote and 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,

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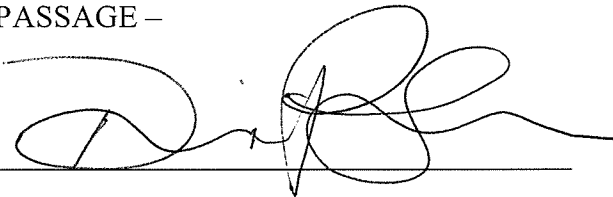
That it is strongly recommended for a forum or collaborative meeting between ASCSU and their constituents to discuss the inclusion of further voices on how to proceed with this clause; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to: Dr. Tony Frank, Colorado State University President; Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; Jodi Donovan, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students; Daniela Pineda-Soraca, ASCSU President; Kim Grubbs, ASCSU Adviser; Mike Lensky, ASCSU Vice President; Zachary Vaishampayan, ASCSU Parliamentarian; Jacob Stein, ASCSU Chief Justice; Josh Silva, ASCSU President-Elect; Michael Wells, ASCSU Vice President-Elect; Isabel Brown, ASCSU Speaker of the Senate-Elect

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