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**RESOLUTION #4010
 REQUIRING A MINIMUM NUMBER OF VOTES ON LEGISLATION**

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WHEREAS: Legislation should have a minimum number of affirmative votes to have the support of ASCSU and conversely, a minimum number of nays to fail; and,

WHEREAS: A pathway to ensuring a minimum opinion in either direction is to enforce a minimum number of total votes; and,

WHEREAS: Abstentions are no longer considered to have placeholder status, but removing them from the voting calculus favors the effective "majority"; and,

WHEREAS: Even the CSU student body requires a minimum number of votes to be cast to allow constitutional amendments.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Bylaws of the Senate, Article IV, be amended to include:

"O. All legislation may only be considered to have been voted upon when the number of cast votes is at least 2/3 of the present voting membership with voting rights. After any legislation has failed to meet the minimum vote requirement, the Senate will immediately recess for five minutes. After the recess, the Senate will then immediately hold a second attempt at voting on the legislation. Should the vote fail to meet the minimum requirement a second time, the legislation will automatically be tabled until the next senate session under Old Business. During the final session of the year, if after two votes the legislation still has not met the minimum vote requirement, it will fail by default."

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 PASSAGE

11/10/2010
 DATE

VICE PRESIDENT JENNIFER BABOS

DATE