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**27th SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIRST SENATE**

**27 APRIL 2022**

**LEX #5103**

**Ensuring Adherence to Section 207 Sub-section V of ASCSU Constitution and the  
Amendment of the Same**

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*Abstract: This Lex aims to ensure that Senate Bylaws are tabled and approved in a timely  
manner for the smooth functioning of the ASCSU Senate.*

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**WHEREAS**

Section 207, Subsection V, of the ASCSU Constitution states, “The Senate  
bylaws shall be approved at the first session of the Senate and shall be the  
first resolution of the new Senate.”; and,

**WHEREAS**

The bylaws of the 51st Senate were approved on February 16th, 2022, six  
months after the required approval date; and,

**WHEREAS**

This creates discrepancies and unnecessary delays as offices with already  
appointed/elected members do not have a job description even halfway  
through their term; so,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED**

That Section 207, Subsection V of the ASCSU Constitution, which currently reads:

“The Senate bylaws shall be approved at the first session of the Senate and shall be the first resolution of the new Senate”

Shall be amended to read:

“The Senate bylaws shall be approved by the first regularly scheduled session of the Senate in the Fall semester and shall be the first resolution of the new Senate.”

; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That Section 207, Subsection V of the ASCSU Constitution be amended to include an additional clause, which reads that:

“In the event that Senate does not pass the bylaws during the first session, the body shall operate under the previously approved bylaws.”

; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That Section XIII, Amendments and Suspension of the ASCSU Senate Bylaws be amended to state:

“A. Pursuant to Section 207, Subsection V of the ASCSU Constitution, the Senate bylaws shall be approved by the first regularly scheduled session of the Senate in the Fall semester and shall be the first resolution of the new Senate.

a During this first session, the Senate shall dissolve into Committee of the Whole to deliberate on the Bylaws and produce an edit that would best allow for said bylaws to pass.

i The Senate shall operate Committee of the Whole pursuant to Section XV of the Bylaws.

b The Committee of the Whole shall decide which provisions within the new Bylaws require further discussion and which ones are acceptable to pass during this first session.

c The Committee of the Whole shall have the ability to strike said provisions to appear in a separate amendment of the Bylaws that will go through the standard legislative process.

d In the event that the Bylaws are not passed or the committee’s findings are not accepted, both of which require a 2/3rds vote, the Senate shall operate under the previously approved Bylaws.

B. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Senate in attendance excluding abstentions on a resolution brought to the floor for that purpose. Any item submitted to the Legislative Cabinet for Senate consideration before the resolution passes will operate according to the bylaws under which it was submitted.

C. These bylaws or portion thereof may be suspended for the current session by a two-thirds [2/3] vote of the Senate in attendance excluding abstentions.”

; and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED**

That the ASCSU Senate shall strive to be efficient in its proceedings and ensure more emphasis on university issues rather than internal processes without undermining internal processes; and,

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**PASSAGE AND LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF LEX #5103**

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<b>ASCSU PRESIDENT CHRISTIAN DYKSON</b>	<b>DATE</b>
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**THAT A COPY OF THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO**

**Christian Dykson**, ASCSU President

**Erin Freeman**, Chief Justice ASCSU

**Joyce McConnell**, President of Colorado State University

**Tony Frank**, Chancellor of the Colorado State System

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