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1                   **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**  
2                               **Resolution Amending House Rules**  
3                                       **February 20, 2013**  
4   **SB59-12/13**

5                               **Authored by: Sean Schilke, ASUM Senator**  
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8       Whereas, The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) has a vested  
9       interest in the behavior of ASUM Senators during ASUM Senate meetings;

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11       Whereas, personal phones are no longer the only practical means of communicating  
12       wirelessly with the advancement of technology;

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14       Whereas, some technology, such as an electronic calculator, is useful to the process of the  
15       ASUM Senate;

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17       Whereas, the ASUM Senate may suspend House Rules by a two-thirds vote if a wireless  
18       capable electronic device needs to be used;

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20       Whereas, ASUM should update its by-laws and policies to suit a changing organization;

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22       Whereas, Article 1, Section 2, subsection J of ASUM House Rules states:

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24               No Executive or Senator may do homework, use a personal phone or leave the  
25               Senate meeting prior to adjournment without returning or the consent of the  
26               Chair. Violations that occur after one warning will result in an unexcused  
27               absence.  
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29       Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that Article 1, Section 2, Subsection J of ASUM House  
30       Rules shall be amended to state:

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32               No Executive or Senator may do homework, use an electronic device that can  
33               communicate wirelessly or leave the Senate meeting prior to adjournment without  
34               returning or the consent of the Chair. Violations that occur after one warning will  
35               result in an unexcused absence.  
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39       Passed by Committee: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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41       Passed by ASUM Senate: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013  
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46       Damara Simpson,  
      Relations and Affairs Chair

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Bryn Hagfors,  
Chair of the Senate