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1                                   **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**  
2                                   **Resolution Regarding Student Generated Fees**  
3                                   **March 20, 2013**  
4                                   **SB63-12/13**

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8       Whereas, the Montana Board of Regents policy 940.12.1 concerning Tuition and Fee Approval  
9       states “Approval of a schedule of tuition and fees will take place once every two years; normally  
10       during the May meeting of odd numbered years,”;

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12       Whereas, elected student government leaders have one year terms to accomplish their goals;

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14       Whereas, the authority of elected student leaders to effectively meet the needs of their current  
15       constituencies is limited by policy 940.12.1;

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17       Whereas, elected student government leaders remain diligent in their attention to cost of  
18       attendance and quality of provided services;

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20       Whereas, elected student government leaders, in an effort to keep consistent the quality of  
21       services, may deem necessary the creation of a new student fee or an increase of an existing  
22       student fee on years in which tuition and fees are not reviewed by the Montana Board of  
23       Regents;

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25       Whereas, the May 2012 reviews of The University of Montana Student Group Fee, MontPIRG  
26       Fee, and the Montana State University Exponent Fee stand as examples of the disparity between  
27       policy 940.12.1 and the capacity of elected student leaders to meet students’ needs.

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29       Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that The Associated Students of The University of Montana  
30       support amending Montana Board of Regents policy 940.12.1 Tuition and Fee Approval to  
31       include “Student generated fees will be considered annually at the May Board of Regents’  
32       meeting. A student generated fee shall be defined as any fee that the associated students of a  
33       Montana University System campus has authority to enact and disperse according to their  
34       governing documents.”

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36       Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Commissioner  
37       Clay Christian, Montana University System; Chair Angela McLean, Montana Board of Regents;  
38       Deputy Commissioner Mick Robinson, Montana University System; and President Charlie  
39       Brown, Montana Associated Students.

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

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49       Bryn Hagfors,  
      Chair of the Senate