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The Associated Students of The University of Montana
Resolution Amending ASUM Constitutional Referenda Language
March 14, 2012
Senate Bill Number: SB41-11/12
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Whereas, the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) Senate passed SB38-11/12, which amended the ASUM Bylaws concerning the use of opt-out fees.

Whereas, amendments to the ASUM Constitution require a constitutional referenda where at least twelve percent (12%) of ASUM members must vote, and a majority (50% plus one) of those voting must vote to ratify the referendum proposal.

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the following referenda language be submitted to the April 2012 Election:

“Currently any group, whether affiliated with the University or not may utilize the elections process to institute a student fee. The Associated Students of the University of Montana Senate proposes to add the following section to the ASUM Constitution.

There are three types of student fees that can be levied by referenda.

a. Mandatory/All students pay
b. Student must opt-in at registration
c. Student can opt-out after registration

Only the ASUM Senate, ASUM Agencies, recognized student groups, or The University of Montana can institute a mandatory or opt-out fee structure.

All other groups are limited to an opt-in fee structure, where a student must decide upon registration whether or not to pay the fee.”

Do you support this change to the ASUM Constitution?

Yes – I support this change to the ASUM Constitution.

No – I do not support this change to the ASUM Constitution.”

Passed by Committee: ____________________________, 2012

Passed by ASUM Senate: ____________________________, 2012

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Travis Suzuki, Relations and Affairs Chair

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Jeff Edmunds, Chair of the Senate