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1                   **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**  
2                   **Resolution Striking Article V, Section 8 of the ASUM Bylaws**  
3                   **February 16, 2022**

4                   **SB83-21/22**

5                   **Authored by: Mary Melissa Glueckert, ASUM Senator; Nicholas Ververis, ASUM**  
6                   **Senator;**

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8                   Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (“ASUM”) is bound by  
9                   its governing documents;

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11                   Whereas, The Bylaws outline all ASUM Elections;

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13                   Whereas, Election processes, rules, and procedures in the Bylaws underwent major  
14                   revisions in Spring of 2022;

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16                   Whereas, During the major revisions of elections in the Bylaws some minor changes  
17                   were missed;

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19                   Whereas, Article V, Section 8 of the Bylaws currently reads:

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21                   ***Section 8. Special Elections:***

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23                   (1)     *For a special election, polls shall be opened online as per Section 4.A of*  
24                   *Elections Bylaws.*
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26                   (2)     *All students who are registered for one (1) credit or more are allowed to*  
27                   *vote in any ASUM election.*
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29                   (3)     *Upon closure of the polls, the Elections Committee shall count the ballots,*  
30                   *to be done in the presence of the faculty advisor(s) or their designee.*
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32                   (4)     *Write-in votes do not need to be spelled correctly if the intent of the voter*  
33                   *is clear.*
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35                   (5)     *Election results shall be submitted to the Montana Kaimin for publication*  
36                   *immediately following the election.*
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38                   (6)     *All grievance procedures for special elections shall be identical to the*  
39                   *grievance procedures for General Elections.*
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41                   (7)     *The necessity for a special election shall be determined by the Senate with*  
42                   *a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, except as provided for in Article 5, Section*  
43                   *5.F of ASUM Bylaws.;*

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45                   Whereas, Article V, Section 3 (4) of the Bylaws was recently amended to currently read:  
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47 (4) *Special Elections*

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49 (a) *The necessity for a Special Election shall be determined by*  
50 *the Senate with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.*

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52 (b) *Online Polls for the Special Election shall be open for at least*  
53 *twenty-four (24) hours on a Wednesday.*

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55 (c) *All grievance procedures shall be identical to the grievance*  
56 *procedures for General Elections.;*

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58 Whereas, SB57-21/22 Resolution Amending Article V, Section 3 of the ASUM Bylaws  
59 Generally Restructuring, Removing Dilatory Sections, and Clarifying Elections Processes  
60 consolidated the treatment of elections administrative rules into a single streamlined process,  
61 regardless of the type of election<sup>1</sup>;

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63 Whereas, Article V, Section 8 is unnecessary, repetitive, and dilatory due to the passage of  
64 SB57-21/22 Resolution Amending Article V, Section 3 of the ASUM Bylaws Generally  
65 Restructuring, Removing Dilatory Sections, and Clarifying Elections Processes, that moved this  
66 language<sup>2</sup>;


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68 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, Article V, Section 8 be struck from the Bylaws;

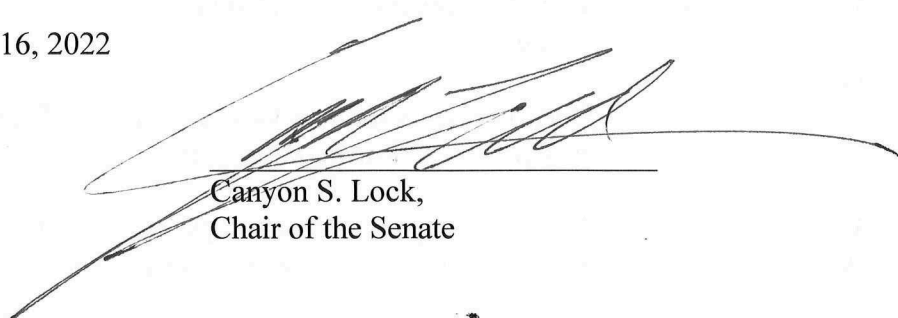
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70 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That subsequent sections in Article V be  
71 renumbered as appropriate;

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73 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this Resolution be sent to Gwen Coon,  
74 ASUM Office Manager; Alex Berna, ASUM Secretary.

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77 Passed by Committee: February 13, 2022

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79 Passed by ASUM Senate: February 16, 2022

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83 Elizabeth Bowles,  
84 Chair of Relations and Affairs

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87 Passed Unanimously.

<sup>1</sup> Glueckert, Mary Melissa and Ververis, Nicholas, "SB57-21/22 Resolution Amending Article V, Section 3 of the ASUM Bylaws Generally Restructuring, Removing Dilatory Sections, and Clarifying Elections Processes" (2022).

<sup>2</sup> Glueckert, Mary Melissa and Ververis, Nicholas, "SB57-21/22 Resolution Amending Article V, Section 3 of the ASUM Bylaws Generally Restructuring, Removing Dilatory Sections, and Clarifying Elections Processes" (2022).