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The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Amending House Rules
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Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) is bound by its House Rules;

Whereas, ASUM proposes resolutions that stand to benefit the student body;

Whereas, voting members of ASUM are expected to bring up resolutions under a period called “New Business” during an ASUM meeting;

Whereas, Article 1, Section 2, Subsection C of ASUM House Rules states:

“C. All proposed resolutions and motions introduced during "New Business", if forwarded to the Senate by Relations and Affairs, shall be placed under "Unfinished Business" for the following Senate meeting. Discussion and voting may take place only under "Unfinished Business" unless the Senate suspends the rules by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.”

Whereas, nonvoting members do not have the ability to submit items under New Business;

Whereas, this can discourage students from writing resolutions;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that Article 1, Section 2, Subsection C of ASUM House Rules be amended to read:

“C. All proposed resolutions and motions introduced during "New Business", if forwarded to the Senate by Relations and Affairs, shall be placed under "Unfinished Business" for the following Senate meeting. Discussion and voting may take place only under "Unfinished Business" unless the Senate suspends the rules by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. Nonvoting members of ASUM do not need to bring up proposed resolutions and motions under New Business, but must adhere to all other procedures put in place by ASUM.”

Passed by Committee: Passed on 8/25 by margin of 4-0
Passed by ASUM Senate: ________________________, 2014

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Ashlynn Andersen, Sean McQuillan,
Chair of Relations and Affairs Chair of the Senate