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The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Regarding Bills Pertaining to Student Housing/ Tenant-Landlord Laws
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SB79-14/15
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Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) represents the interests of the student body;

Whereas, the majority of students at the University of Montana live off-campus and are affected by tenant-landlord laws in the state of Montana;

Whereas, bills concerning tenant-landlord laws are undergoing drastic changes in the Montana State legislature that will effect students off-campus;

Whereas, it is ASUM’s obligation to take a stance on pertinent issues affecting students at the University of Montana;

Whereas, the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center and ASUM Legal Services have established that additional fees, charges, and hardships may be imposed on students if bills with a similar nature to SB371, SB372, and HB584 are enacted without any amendments;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, ASUM opposes bills that are detrimental to students regarding tenant-landlord rights, and supports bills that will benefit student renter rights;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that ASUM opposes the passage of SB371, SB372, HB584;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that ASUM instructs the ASUM Lobbyist to lobby on bills that would affect student renters in any capacity;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that this resolution be sent to Harry Haocheng Wang, ASUM Lobbyist, Katherine Brady, Director of the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center via email.

Passed by Committee:

Passed by ASUM Senate: __________________________, 2015

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