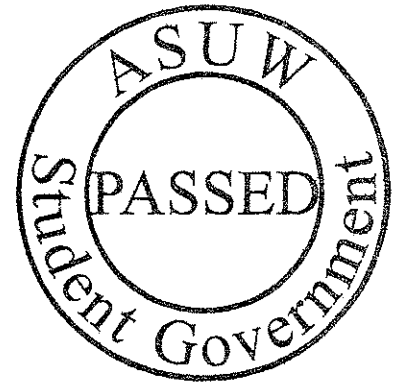


SENATE BILL #2274



Title: ASUW Committee Referral Act

Date: February 19, 2010

Authors: Senators Fuentes and Thomas

Sponsors: Senators Platte and Wallace

1. WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) Steering
2. Committee may refer legislation to more than one committee; and
3. WHEREAS, committees have the power to make amendments to legislation during meeting
4. and submit them to the ASUW Senate; and
5. WHEREAS, committees are viewed as equal bodies under the ASUW By-Laws; and
6. WHEREAS, the process of “dual referral,” while valuable for extended and detailed
7. deliberation, has led to some confusion as to the proper role of committees in amending
8. legislation; and
9. WHEREAS, under the current provisions contained in the Rules and Procedures of ASUW,
10. committees receiving the referred legislation first are unable to report their findings during
11. regular ASUW Senate meetings given that the second committee has made alterations to the
12. legislation; and
13. WHEREAS, corrections to the Rules and Procedure of the ASUW are necessary to avoid
14. possible conflicts between committees.
15. THEREFORE, be it enacted that Article V, Section 1, Subsection L be amended to reflect
16. language contained in Addendum A.

Referred to: Constitution Committee

Date of Passage: 3-8-2010 Signed: Damee Hungie
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 3-8-2010, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.” M. Haig
ASUW President

ADDENDUM A

Article V

Legislative System

- Section 1. Mechanics: All major actions shall be submitted in bill form.
- A. All bills or resolutions shall be submitted to the ASUW Secretary, in writing, at least two (2) class days prior to the day of their introduction on the floor.
 - B. The ASUW Secretary shall number the bills and resolutions according to the order of their introduction on the floor.
 - C. The bill or resolution shall be headed by the statement "Senate Bill number" or "Senate Resolution number" respectively.
 - D. The title, date introduced, the author(s) and the sponsor(s) name(s) shall follow the heading.
 - E. In the case of a bill, the proposal shall begin by stating, "Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming that..."
 - F. In the case of a resolution, the proposal shall be in the form listed in the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.
 - G. If the bill or resolution shall be of such a technical nature that the definition of pertinent terms or explanation of any portion shall be necessary, this shall be added as an addendum to the legislation.
 - H. A bill shall be an action to be held binding upon the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming, or their officers and administrators.
 - I. A resolution shall be a statement of the opinion of the Senate of the ASUW and binding upon that body alone.
 - J. Each line of the resolution or bill shall be numbered to facilitate debate and changes.
 - K. The bill or resolution shall conclude with the following statement: "Being enacted (resolved) on (date of passage) I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action. (signature) ASUW President."
 - L. The ASUW Secretary will forward all legislation to the ASUW Steering Committee so that it can refer the proposed ASUW legislation to the proper ASUW permanent or special committee for specified action or recommendation. All finance bills shall be automatically referred to the appropriate finance committee.
 - a. Bills may be referred to more than one committee by the Steering Committee for extended deliberation with the provision that the bills be considered separately and all changes made during committee proceeding be reconciled by the respective chairs of the committees to which the legislation was referred.
 - i. The reconciled legislation must be considered by the original committees for a second vote.
 - ii. If the chairs and committees are unable to reconcile differences in the legislation before the scheduled second reading, the legislation may be withheld from the ASUW Senate until reconciliation is complete.
 - iii. Chairs will jointly report the results of committee proceedings during regularly scheduled ASUW Senate meetings.
 - M. The ASUW Secretary shall reproduce the proposed bills and resolutions and provide copies to the Senators prior to the Senate meetings.