SENATE BILL # 2308

Title: ASUW Elections Eligibility Revision 2011
Date: February 7, 2011
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Sponsors: Vice President Brown, Senators Cusack, Koolmaraie, Mullen, Perryman, and West

1. WHEREAS, the integrity and democratic process of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) election process is vital to the success, legitimacy and credibility of the student government of the University of Wyoming; and,

2. WHEREAS, the preservation of the separation of powers within the structure of the ASUW is especially vital during the election period; and,

3. WHEREAS, the ASUW Judicial Council has jurisdiction over all violations of ASUW rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and/or standards governing student conduct requirements of students who participate in officially approved ASUW programs, including the ASUW Elections; and;

4. WHEREAS, fairly reviewing violations or imposing sanctions of ASUW rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and/or standards governing student conduct requirements is impractical to facilitate in a trustworthy and objective manner when a member of the ASUW Judicial Council has officially declared their candidacy for ASUW President, ASUW Vice President or ASUW Senator.

5. THEREFORE, be it enacted that the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the ASUW By-Laws, Article 4, Section 6, Subsection
18. A be amended to include the language contained in Addendum A.

Referred to: Constitution Committee and Elections Committee

Date of Passage: 03/01/2011 Signed: (ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 3/1/2011, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action." (ASUW President)
Addendum A

Section 6. Candidate Requirements:

A. A candidate for Senator must meet the following requirements:
   i. He/she must be a full-time ASUW fee paying student.
   ii. He/she must have and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average as an undergraduate and a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average as a graduate or professional student or a 2.0 if the program does not require it.
   iii. He/she must have completed not less than thirty (30) hours of University credit at the beginning of the academic year of his term of office.
   iv. He/she must have completed not less than twelve (12) of those hours at the University of Wyoming.
   v. He/she must submit an application by the required deadline (as outlined in Section 1, Subsection C of this Article) provided by the Elections Committee.
   vi-vi. He/she cannot be a currently serving member of the ASUW Judicial Council. In the event that an individual who wishes to declare his/her candidacy for Senator and is currently serving as the ASUW Chief Justice or a Justice, he/she must resign as a member of the ASUW Judicial Council in order to officially declare his/her candidacy when filing closes.
   vi-vii. All candidates for Senator will run individually.