

SENATE BILL# 2902



TITLE: Standing Committee Resignation Process

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AUTHOR: Senator Meester

SPONSORS: Senators Keasling, Worcester, McGuire, Hulen, Mahoney, and
Gomelsky; Vice President Petri

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of
2. Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, there is no current functioning mechanism for a senator to officially
4. leave or resign from a standing committee; and,
5. WHEREAS, individuals should have the right to leave a standing committee
6. should it not interfere with their official responsibilities; and,
7. WHEREAS, senators must still uphold their responsibilities as outlined in
8. ASUW Bylaws Article 2, section 2.02, clause 4; and,
9. WHEREAS, senators would not retain the ability to leave a committee if this
10. violated their committee quota requirement or violated the standing committee
11. minimum
12. senator for their respective committee as outlined in ASUW Bylaws Article 2,
13. Section 2.02, clause 10; and,
14. WHEREAS, this would also require senators to alert both their committee chair
15. and the ASUW Vice President of their intent to leave a standing committee as
16. reflected in Addendum A.

17. THEREFORE, be it resolved that senators will bear the right to resign from a
18. committee provided they do not fail to fulfill their responsibilities; and,
19. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that senators will bear the right to resign
20. from a standing committee provided the respective standing committee does not
21. in turn lack the
22. minimum number of senators to operate as outlined in ASUW Bylaws Article 2,
23. Section 2.02, clause 10; and,
24. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Bylaws be amended to
25. reflect the changes outlined in addendum A; and,
26. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that senators alert both the respective
27. committee chair and the ASUW Vice President as reflected in Addendum A; and,
28. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that these changes take effect upon the
29. passage of this legislation.

**Referred to: _____Programs, and Institutional Development, and
Steerring_____**

Date of

Passage:_____ Signed:_____

(ASUW Chairperson)

**“Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve
this Senate action.”**

ASUW President

Addendum A

1. ASUW Senator Responsibilities

- A. Senators shall attend regularly scheduled meetings of the ASUW Senate, and any special meetings of the ASUW Senate as scheduled by the ASUW Vice President.
- B. Senators shall be allotted a set amount of unexcused absences, as determined by the ASUW Steering Committee on an annual basis.
- C. Senators shall serve on a minimum of two (2) ASUW Standing Committee, two (2) ASUW Special Committees, or University committees as assigned by the ASUW Vice President.
- D. **Senators shall bear the right to leave a standing committee if they remain on at least two (2) standing committees or have planned to join a new committee to retain this requirement and the respective committee they are leaving still retains the minimum quorum of senators to operate as outlined in that committee's composition clause. Senators must also alert the respective committee chair and ASUW Vice President of this choice.**
- E. ASUW Senators shall be required to attend a diversity, equity, and inclusion training. This training should focus on, but is not limited to, the diversity as it pertains to the University of Wyoming to increase awareness and decrease insensitivity towards underrepresented populations throughout campus. This training shall be developed by the Project Coordinator or other relevant professional staff in the ASUW Business Office in coordination with the ASUW Vice President. This training should be planned in collaboration with the relevant office in Student Affairs focusing on these efforts and relevant partners and programs of ASUW or outsourced using funds budgeted for professional development. This training will count as one (1) service hours for the period in which it is held.