



**SENATE BILL #3105**

**TITLE:** Amending the ASUW Rules and Procedures to Clarify First-Year Senator Status

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 04/17/2026

**AUTHOR:** Chief of Legislative Affairs Heffley

**SPONSORS:** Senator Morales; First-Year Senator Martinez; FYS Steering Committee, Program and Institutional Development Committee

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, ASUW has a tradition of naming a Senator and Student-at-Large of the
4. month for every month ASUW meets regularly; and,
5. WHEREAS, Students-at-Large are designated in the ASUW Rules and Procedures as
6. currently enrolled UW students who are not a part of the ASUW Senate, Executive
7. Branch, or the Judicial Branch; and
8. WHEREAS, First-Year Senators, while a program of the ASUW, have voting power by
9. delegates in the ASUW Senate and act as an extension of the ASUW Senate focused on
10. serving first-year students; and,
11. WHEREAS, the 113th ASUW Administration has treated First-Year Senators as if they
12. are Students-at-Large by nominating and voting two First-Year Senators as Students-at
13. Large of the Month; and,
14. WHEREAS, this discrepancy between First-Year Senators being both Students-at-Large
15. and members of the ASUW Senate was clarified in the FYS Rules and Procedures by
16. FYSB 87 as seen in Addendum A; and

17. WHEREAS, the ASUW Rules and Procedures should be amended to be in accordance
18. with the FYS Rules and Procedures and to clarify the standing of FYS in respect to the
19. ASUW Senate.
20. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of
21. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that Section 6.11 of the ASUW Rules and
22. Procedures be changed to clarify First-Year Senators to not be Students-at-Large as seen
23. in Addendum B; and,
24. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that these changes go into effect before the first
25. meeting of the 114<sup>th</sup> ASUW Administration.

**Referred to:** \_\_\_\_\_ PID & Steering \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Passage:** 04/28/26      **Signed:** *Aidan McGuire*  
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 04/28/26 I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this  
Senate action.” *Paula Medina*  
ASUW President

**FIRST-YEAR SENATE BILL #87**

**TITLE:** A Bill Establishing a First-Year Senator of the Month Process  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** 03/19/24  
**AUTHOR:** First Year Senator Heffley and Senator Brown  
**SPONSORS:** Senators Gundling and Keasling, First-Year Senators Jackim and Mackenzie, Chief of Legislative Affairs Knopp, Director of Policy and Analysis Meester

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) First-Year Senate is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible;
3. and,
4. WHEREAS, the First-Year Senate (FYS) is an integral part of ASUW because of the
5. representation of voices for First-Year Students at the University of Wyoming (UW);
6. and,
7. WHEREAS, the First Year Senate is comprised of students who do great work
8. representing the interests of First-Year Students; and,
9. WHEREAS, we believe that the First-Year Senate deserves the opportunity to recognize
10. members of their body that perform the duties of their office exceptionally.
11. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the First-Year Senate Associated Students of the
12. University of Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the changes in Addendum A
13. be added to Article 6 of the FYS Rules and Procedures; and,
14. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that this resolution stands immediately upon
15. passage.

Addendum A

Section 6.11 Selection of a First-Year Senator of the Month and of the Year

1. For every month that the First-Year Senate meets regularly at least once after the orientation process and a head table has been elected, they shall select a First-Year Senator of the Month.
2. The selection itself does not need to occur in the month that the First-Year Senator is associated with. The selection of the First-Year Senator of the month may happen at the end of the associated month or the beginning of the following month.
3. The First-Year Senator of the month must have been a sitting First-Year Senator in the month for which they are nominated.
4. Each vote shall be governed by the following elections procedures:
  - a. Nominations can be from the Senate floor by any one except the Presiding Officer.
  - b. Written nominations may be submitted to the Presiding Officer, but verbal nominations shall be the primary means of nominations.
  - c. Nominators shall briefly speak on the merits of the person they nominated.
  - d. All voting members of the First Year Senate shall cast a vote to determine the winner. The Presiding Officer shall break any ties, should they occur.
5. The following rules shall govern the selection of the First Year Senator of the Year.
  - a. All previous winners of the First Year Senator of the Month shall be automatically nominated.
  - b. The First Year Senator of the Year shall be voted on at either the last or second-to-last First Year Senate meeting of an administration.
  - c. All voting members of the First Year Senate shall cast a vote to determine the winner. The Presiding Officer shall break any ties, should they occur.

Addendum B

## SECTION 6.11 ASUW Selection of a Senator and Student-at-Large of the Month and of the Year

1. For every month that the ASUW Senate meets regularly at least once, they shall select a Senator and Student-at-Large of the Month.
2. The selection itself does not need to occur in the month that the Senator and Student- At-Large are associated with. The selection of the Senator and Student-At-Large of the month may happen in a month that follows the month a selection is intended to transpire.
3. The ASUW Senator of the Month must have been a sitting ASUW Senator in the month for which they are nominated.
4. The ASUW Student-at-Large of the Month must be a currently enrolled UW student who is not one of the following:
  - a. An ASUW Senator or First-Year Senator
  - b. A member of the ASUW Executive Branch
  - c. A member of the ASUW Judicial Branch
5. Each vote shall be governed by the following election procedures:
  - a. Nominations can be from the Senate floor by anyone except the Chairperson.
  - b. Written nominations may be submitted to ASUW Chairperson, but verbal nominations shall be the primary means of nomination.
  - c. Nominators shall briefly speak on the merits of the person they nominated.
  - d. All voting members of the ASUW Senate shall cast a vote to determine the winner. The Chairperson shall break any ties, should they occur.
6. Within two weeks of the selection of a Student-at-Large of the Month, the following shall occur:
  - a. They will be notified with a congratulatory email sent by the ASUW Vice President.
  - b. If they would like, notice of their selection shall be put on ASUW's social media stories. If they would like, this post should include mention of the activities or merits that explain their selection.
  - c. They shall be presented with a certificate and prizes totaling not less than \$20 and not more than \$30, to be determined by the ASUW Vice President.
  - d. They shall be eligible for selection as ASUW's Student-at-Large of the Year.
7. The following rules shall govern the selection of the ASUW Student-at-Large and ASUW Senator of the Year.
  - a. All previous winners of the ASUW Senator and Student-at-Large of the Month shall be automatically nominated.
  - b. The ASUW Student-at-Large of the Year and Senator of the Year shall be voted on at either the last or second-to-last Senate meeting of an administration.
  - c. All voting members of the ASUW Senate shall cast a vote to determine the winner. The Chairperson shall break any ties, should they occur.

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- d. The winner of ASUW's Student-at-Large of the Year shall have their name added to the plaque that records this information, and be given a prize of not less than \$100 and not more than \$200, to be determined by the ASUW Vice President.