

SENATE BILL #2645



TITLE: Review of Elections Commissioner Reporting Lines

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SPONSORS: Senators Conard and Trent; Chief of Legislative Affairs Sanders

1. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, the Elections Commissioner is hired to be an impartial overseer of the ASUW
4. election; and,
5. WHEREAS, the current reporting lines compromise the Election Commissioner’s impartiality
6. by requiring them to report to the ASUW President only; and,
7. WHEREAS, the current replacement process no longer exists in the By-Laws.
8. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of
9. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW Elections Policy be updated to reflect
10. the language in Addendum A.

Referred to: Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy

Date of Passage: 1/29/19 **Signed:** *Jason A. Bellamy*
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 1/30/19, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.” *Alexander Mulhall*
ASUW President

Addendum A

Section 1. In order to preserve an unbiased election, there shall be appointed an ASUW Elections Commissioner.

- A. Selection, Compensation, and Removal of the ASUW Elections Commissioner:
- i. The ASUW President shall appoint the Elections Commissioner, to be approved by the ASUW Senate no later than the last regular ASUW Senate meeting of the fall semester.
 - a. Individuals to be considered for the position of Elections Commissioner may not currently hold a position within ASUW, or be running for a position within ASUW in the next spring election.
 - ii. The Elections Commissioner will begin regular work with ASUW during the first week of the spring semester.
 - iii. The Elections Commissioner will report to the ASUW ~~President Advisor~~, and may be removed from office, with cause, by the ASUW ~~President upon the advice and recommendation of the ASUW Advisor~~President only.
 - a. The Elections Commissioner shall function as a ~~semi~~-autonomous member within the Executive Branch. The Commissioner shall report directly to the ~~ASUW Advisor~~President, as well as to the Senate upon request.
 - iv. The Elections Commissioner shall be provided with a stipend commensurate with the duties of their office, to be set annually in the budgeting cycle, and paid half of the stipend before the Election, and half of the stipend following the completion of the Elections.
 - v. In the event of the resignation or removal of the Elections Commissioner, a replacement shall be selected following the procedures outlined above. ~~in Article IV, Section I, subsection A, clause I of these By Laws.~~