

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**FIFTY-THIRD SESSION**

**BILL NO. 53-32**

**INTRODUCED BY: Noffsinger**

**SECONDED BY: Fish**

**A RESOLUTION TO: Oppose an Income Tax in the City of East Lansing**

**THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:**

- WHEREAS, The City of East Lansing has commissioned a working group named the Financial Health Team (FHT) to review the current state of city finances and to make formal recommendations to Council, in order to achieve both short term and long term fiscal security; and,
- WHEREAS, The FHT commissioned an Income Tax Analysis, conducted by Plante Moran, and upon receiving and reviewing the results of the analysis, voted to recommend Council consider putting an income tax on a ballot; and,
- WHEREAS, Under Public Act 284 of 1964, municipalities in the State of Michigan are authorized to institute an income tax if it is approved by the people of the municipality; and,
- WHEREAS, Although an income tax can generate much needed revenue for the City of East Lansing, in doing so it could disincentive graduates from remaining in the City, may deter families from moving to the City, and could fiscally harm students earning above a potential exemption level; therefore be it,
- RESOLVED, The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) at this time oppose a potential income tax in the City of East Lansing because the benefits of a potential income tax do not outweigh the negative impacts it could have on the East Lansing and Michigan State University communities.

**INTRODUCED ON** 11.29.2016

**REFERRED TO** Policy **ON** 11.39.2016

**SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMITTEE ACTION** Never voted  
**PASSED** **FAILED** **VOTE** **DATE**

**FINAL ACTION TAKEN** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PASSED** **FAILED** **VOTE** **DATE**

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**PRESIDENT**

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