

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

**FIFTY-THIRD SESSION**

**BILL NO. 53-42**

**INTRODUCED BY: GUDENAU**

**SECONDED BY: SLIVENSKY**

**A BILL TO: Legalize the Possession of Pepper Spray on Campus**

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

WHEREAS, ASMSU is committed to supporting students' rights to self-defense, especially in the case of sexual assault on campus; and,  
WHEREAS, MSU Board of Trustees Ordinance 18.02, the General Student Regulations article 2.08 and Residence Hall Regulations article 2.4, recognizes the use and possession of pepper spray as a prohibited form of chemical weaponry; and,  
WHEREAS, Both the MSU Police, Board of Trustees and University Regulations confirmed the possession and use of pepper spray on campus is outlawed under the classification of the stated regulations; And,  
WHEREAS, Pepper spray is already an effective self-defense tool to deterring sexual assault for millions of individuals outside of this campus; therefore, be it,  
RESOLVED, The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) will support the declassification and exclusion of pepper spray as a chemical weapon under The Board of Trustees ordinance 18.02, the General Student Regulations article 2.08 and Residence Hall Regulations article 2.4, legalizing the possession of pepper spray on campus.

**INTRODUCED ON** January 26, 2017

**REFERRED TO** Policy Committee **ON** 1/26/17

**SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN** Sent to GA **DATE** 01/26/17

**COMMITTEE ACTION** X Voice-majority 01/26/17  
**PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE**

**FINAL ACTION TAKEN** X Voice-majority 02/02/17  
**PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE**



**PRESIDENT**

**VPIA**

## **Appendix**

**Board of Trustees Ordinance - 18.02** “No person shall possess any chemical, biological, radioactive, or other dangerous substance or compound, with the intent of using the same to injure, molest, or coerce another, anywhere upon property governed by the Board.”

**General Student Regulations – 2.08** “Posses or use any firearms, explosive materials, incendiary device or other dangerous objects or substance without proper University authorization.”

**Residence Hall Regulations – 2.4** “No person shall possess or use in a residence hall, without proper authorization, any chemical or dangerous substance, compound, or container of such substances, which may injure, molest, or cause damage.”