ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTY-THIRD SESSION

BILL NO. 53-18

INTRODUCED BY: Porter SECOND BY: Noffsinger

A BILL TO: Propose changes to the Spartan Life Handbook Section 3.0, Harassment and Intimidation of Residence Hall Regulations – Undergraduate Halls

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, The Spartan Life Handbook presents the policies, regulations, and guidelines developed to provide an atmosphere that furthers opportunities for intellectual and personal development while protecting individual freedoms at Michigan State University; and,

WHEREAS, There are currently numerous different and diverse protocols and regulations for students living on campus; and,

WHEREAS, Current language in the Spartan Life Handbook, Section 3.0 of the Harassment and Intimidation of the Residence Hall Regulations – Undergraduate Halls is unclear to define sanctions for a basis of harassment and intimidation in a residence hall; and,

RESOLVED, The Associated Students of Michigan State University hereby propose the clarification revisions to the Spartan Life Handbook, Section 3.0 of the Harassment and Intimidation of the Residence Hall Regulations – Undergraduate Halls.

INTRODUCED ON 9/29/16

REFERRED TO Policy COMMITTEE ON 9/29/16

SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN Sent to GA DATE 9/29/16

COMMITTEE ACTION X Voice-Majority 9/29/16

PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE

FINAL ACTION TAKEN X Voice-Majority 10/6/16

PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE

PRESIDENT

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ASMSU Bill 53-
Proposed Changes to Residence Hall Regulations

Current Language:

RHR 3.0 HARASSMENT AND INTIMIDATION
To succeed personally and academically, an individual must be able to live free from unnecessary emotional stress caused by others. Physical or emotional harassment will not be tolerated in a residence hall community.

Proposed Language:

RHR 3.0 HARASSMENT AND INTIMIDATION
To succeed personally and academically, an individual must be able to live free from harassment and intimidation. Harassment is defined as conduct "so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it undermines and detracts from the victim's educational experience such that the victim students are effectively denied equal access to an institution's resources and opportunities". Such harassment, as defined by University policy subject to state and federal laws, will not be tolerated in a residence hall community.