

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

FIFTIETH SESSION

BILL NO. 50-45

INTRODUCED BY: PERLBERG

SECONDED BY: WIEBRECHT

A BILL TO: Advocate Against Senate Bill 313: to Revise the Rental Housing Inspection Regulations

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, SB 313 would revise rental housing inspection regulations to mandate that inspections could not occur more than every six to ten years and limit inspection fees to \$40 for a single apartment; and,

WHEREAS, 66% of residential units in East Lansing are rental properties that range from 40-90 years old, and the majority of students depend on these units for off campus housing; and,

WHEREAS, current rental inspections in East Lansing occur annually; and,

WHEREAS, the new costs of inspection fees may not cover the entire cost of an inspection, which will place a greater financial burden on students; and,

WHEREAS, in the period of one year, the City of East Lansing reported 366 non-functioning fire alarm incidents, 25 exit sign violations, 166 incidences of hazardous material, 5 non-functioning fire alarm systems, and other code violations; and,

WHEREAS, the turnover rate for the majority of residents in rental properties is annual, which puts students from year to year at a greater risk of severe damages happening to the residential unit; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of students' safety that inspections continue to occur on a basis the city finds necessary to ensure that properties are kept up to code; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, the Associated Students of Michigan State University do not support the SB 313 and encourage the Michigan Senate to vote no on the bill; and, be it further,

RESOLVED, that the ASMSU Governmental Affairs department should advocate against this bill immediately to ensure that the City of East Lansing is able to continue acting in the best interest of students in this regard.

INTRODUCED ON _____ 1-30-2014 _____

REFERRED TO _____ Policy _____ COMMITTEE ON _____ 1-30-2014 _____

SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN _____ DATE _____

COMMITTEE ACTION _____
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