ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

51st SESSION

BILL NO. 51-50

INTRODUCED BY: Perlberg SECONDED BY: JANSEN

A BILL TO: Encourage the state of Michigan to repeal Section 1030 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code (Act 58) of 1998 regarding the sale and registration of kegs

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, in 2009, the state of Michigan amended Act 58 to stipulate that all kegs must be sold with an attached registration tag bearing the information of the person who purchased the keg, and

WHEREAS, the intent of the law was to help combat underage drinking and to better hold responsible those who were found to have provided to minors, and

WHEREAS, since the law took effect in November 2011 the state has seen a dramatic drop in the sales of kegs of beer, and

WHEREAS, in the same period, the rate of sale of hard liquors, especially half-gallon containers, has risen dramatically, and

WHEREAS, these and other statistics suggest that the law has at least partially driven young people to all but abandon beer as a source alcohol when drinking and to turn almost exclusively to hard liquor, which is much more dangerous, and

WHEREAS, states with keg registration laws have not noticed any significant drop in the rates of alcohol-related traffic fatalities among minors. Instead, that rate has risen by 12% in aggregate, and

WHEREAS, there have been extremely few instances in which law enforcement has used the keg tag law to prosecute someone who has provided alcohol to minors, and

WHEREAS, Michigan State health officials believe that this law has helped contribute to an excessive and dangerous binge drinking culture among young people, therefore be it


RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of Michigan State University calls upon the state of Michigan to repeal Section 1030 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code (Act 58) of 1998.

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