ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTY-SECOND SESSION

BILL NO. 52-47
INTRODUCED BY: Booth SECONDED BY: Budeca

A BILL TO: Require a Business Casual dress of ASMSU representatives and leadership

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, ASMSU has operated as a professional organization in order to represent and serve all undergraduate students and in some aspects ASMSU does not maintain a professional appearance; and,

WHEREAS, the appearance of ASMSU leadership at General Assembly meetings is not consistent with that expected of leaders at organizations of similar size; and,

WHEREAS, maintaining a professional appearance will improve our perception with constituents, university administrators, the media, vendors, and other business partners; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of Michigan State University will require General Assembly Representatives and Office of the President member to dress in a manner that is generally referred to as Business Casual when attending General Assembly meetings, committee meetings, and when acting as agents of the association; and,

RESOLVED, business casual will be defined as:

Closed toed shoes are required; however athletic sneakers and skating shoes are not permitted. Pants must be primarily composed of any mixture of twill, cotton, polyester, denim, corduroy, or a similar synthetic material. Pants must not be skin tight, subsequently: leggings, jeggings, yoga pants, joggers, and similar pant styles are all not allowed. No shorts or sweatpants of any type are permitted. Skirts and dresses are permitted, so long as they are knee length or longer. Collared shirts, button downs, blouses, and sweaters are all permitted, so long as they both have sleeves and do not show excessive skin. Note that when wearing a sweater a collared shirt or button down must also be worn underneath. T-shirts are forbidden. All hats must be taken off upon entry to all meetings. All coats/jackets/hoody's are permitted, so long as they are taken off upon entry to meetings. Watches and belts are optional, but encouraged. All
graphic patterns/images and design cuts must be must be in good taste and appropriate.

Exceptions: Women may wear open toed shoes, so long as they are not sandals. Women may also wear sweaters with no collared shirt or button down underneath. Headscarves and fedoras are permitted. Religious garments are exempt from the business casual requirements listed above. ; and,

RESOLVED, If at any General Assembly or Committee meeting a representative is found in violation of the business casual dress code they will lose their privileges as a representative for that particular meeting and their attendance will not be recorded. Violations will be determined by the discretion of any of the following: VPIA, VPFO, or a simple majority vote by all present representatives. A representative can motion for a vote on another representative’s suspected dress code violation by declaring, "motion to remove "example" representative for failure to comply with the mandatory dress code."

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REFERRED TO Policy COMMITTEE ON 1/28/2016

SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN N/A DATE

COMMITTEE ACTION X Voice-Majority 1/28/2016

PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE

FINAL ACTION TAKEN

PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE

Bill Failed

PRESIDENT

VPIA