

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SIXTY-FIRST SESSION**



**BILL NO. 61-114**

**INTRODUCED BY: Harding (VPIA)**

**SECONDED BY: Sparks (CSS)**

**A BILL TO: Amend the ASMSU Code to Allow Exemptions for Excused Absences During OOTP Elections**

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

**WHEREAS,** The new absence policy implemented during the 61st Session allows 5 excused absences and 3 unexcused absences for each Representative during any given Session<sup>1</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** Before Bill 61-10 was passed, there was no limit to the amount of excused absences a Representative could accrue during any given Session; and,

**WHEREAS,** The first meetings of each General Assembly Session are elections for the Office of the President, which take place during the last few weeks of the academic year; and,


**WHEREAS,** Major Governing Groups, CORES groups, and CAMS groups typically undergo transitional periods during the last few weeks of the school year as well and newly-elected representatives are expected to be available for extra meetings, it would relieve the burden of having three nights in a row of ASMSU commitments to allow any excused absence submitted for OOTP elections to not count against the total absences for a Session before a Representative is removed from their seat or has voting privileges revoked; therefore be it,

**RESOLVED,** That the Associated Students of Michigan State University shall hereby amend Title Two, Section 25 of the General Assembly Code of Operations as follows:

**(FROM)**

Section 25. During a given session, a member shall be allowed five (5) excused absences and three (3) unexcused absences from General Assembly meetings, committee

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<sup>1</sup>  61-10\_Amend the GA Absence Policy\_Harding\_Casper.pdf

meetings, and mandatory activities.

- A. Excused absences shall be given at the discretion of the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration or ASMSU President
- B. An unexcused absence can be appealed by a majority vote of the General Assembly at the full assembly meeting following the absence. The VPIA must be made aware of the desire to appeal 72 hours in advance of the meeting
- C. Written notice of an excused absence shall be sent to the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration 48 hours following the meeting.

(TO)

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- C. Written notice of an excused absence shall be sent to the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration 48 hours following the meeting.
- D. Any excused absence submitted for the Office of the President Elections shall not count against the total excused absences allowed for any given session.**

INTRODUCED ON 03.27.2025

REFERRED TO Policy COMMITTEE ON 03.20.2025

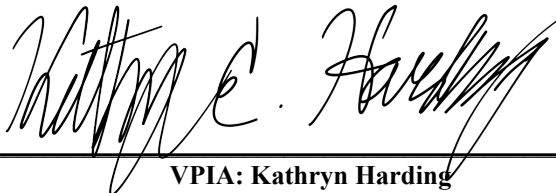
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FINAL ACTION TAKEN	<u>X</u>	<u>Unanimous Consent</u>	<u>03.27.2025</u>
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PRESIDENT: Connor Le



VPIA: Kathryn Harding