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



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A BILL TO: Amend the ASMSU Code to Include a Precedent for the Recall of Members of the Office of the President Under Title II of the General Assembly Code of Operations

## THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, The ASMSU Constitution states that the ASMSU President and Vice Presidents may be recalled from their positions by a "two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) vote of the elected membership of the General Assembly" under Article II, Section 8<sup>1</sup>, however there is no precedent in the ASMSU Code that outlines a due process to do so; and,

**WHEREAS,** There has been one bill in the past two sessions of the ASMSU General Assembly calling a member of the Office of the President into question that has passed<sup>2</sup>; therefore be it.

**RESOLVED**, That the Associated Students of Michigan State University shall amend Title II of the General Assembly Code of Operations to add a new tab that includes Section 38 and Section 39 as follows:

## **ASMSU Office of the President Recall**

Section 38. The ASMSU General Assembly reserves the power to recall any elected member of the Office of the President.

> A. To remove the President or a Vice President from office, the General Assembly must first pass a vote of no confidence against the OOTP member in question with a two-thirds majority vote through a full session General Assembly meeting. A vote of no confidence bill must be sent to the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration or the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ASMSU Manual Rev. 10.24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 60-47 Call Onto ASMSU for a Probationary Period for VPSA Bhawna Vaswani Pham Danielkiewicz.pdf

ASMSU President at least 48 hours before the meeting in which the vote of no confidence will be introduced and immediately distributed to all General Assembly Representatives for review prior to the meeting.

- a. The vote of no confidence bill must include the desired outcome, including if there is an intention to introduce a recall bill for the OOTP member in question.
- b. The OOTP member in question will not be exempt from Robert's Rules speaking limits unless otherwise motioned, but will be yielded an additional five (5) minutes to speak immediately before the voting period for the bill.
- c. If the no confidence bill is passed, the OOTP member in question will be permitted to fulfill their duties, but will be closely supervised by the ASMSU advisors and the ASMSU President for two weeks following the passage of the bill.
  - i. In the case that a vote of no confidence has been cast against the ASMSU President, they will be supervised by the ASMSU advisors and the Chief of Staff to ensure that duties are being fulfilled.
- d. An impeachment bill must be introduced at the Policy Committee meeting immediately following the full session General Assembly meeting in which a related vote of no confidence was passed. If the Policy Committee passes an impeachment bill with a ¾ majority vote, that bill will move on to the next full General Assembly meeting.
- B. To effectively recall an elected OOTP member from office, an impeachment bill must pass through a full General Assembly with a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> majority vote after the steps listed in Subsection A and Subsection B of Title II, Section 38.
  - a. The OOTP member in question will not be exempt from Robert's Rules speaking limits unless otherwise motioned, but will be yielded an additional five (5) minutes to speak immediately before the voting period for the bill.
  - b. Once an impeachment bill passes, the impeached OOTP member will be immediately relieved of their duties, but will be required to turn in a transition manual to the ASMSU Chief of Staff within five (5) class days following the passage of the impeachment bill.
    - i. After a member of OOTP is relieved of their duties, the following position-holders will act as interim until an election takes place. If the following position-holders decline to act as interim in the case of impeachment, then

the General Assembly must pass a bill nominating a ASMSU Staff Member or General Assembly Representative to do so.

- 1. The ASMSU and Student Body President will be temporarily succeeded by the Vice President for Finance and Operations, who acts as the *President Pro-Tempore* according to Title Two, Section 3 of the ASMSU General Assembly Code of Operations. The Vice President for Internal Administration shall act as Chair of the General Assembly as outlined in Title Two, Section 5 of the ASMSU General Assembly Code of Operations.
- 2. The Vice President for Finance and Operations will be temporarily succeeded by the Associate Vice President for Finance and Operations.
- 3. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will be temporarily succeeded by the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs.
- 4. The Vice President for Governmental Affairs will be temporarily succeeded by the ASMSU State Liaison.
- 5. The Vice President for Internal Administration will be temporarily succeeded by the Associate Vice President for Internal Administration.
- 6. The Vice President for Student Allocations will be temporarily succeeded by the Student Allocations Financial Manager.

Section 39. The ASMSU General Assembly may call the ASMSU Chief Officers into question, but does not reserve the power to recall these positions.

- A. To call an ASMSU Chief Officer into question, the General Assembly may pass a vote of no confidence against that Chief Officer with a two-thirds majority vote through a full session General Assembly meeting. A vote of no confidence bill must be sent to the Director of Human Resources and the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration or the ASMSU President at least 48 hours before the meeting in which it will be introduced and immediately distributed to all General Assembly Representatives for review prior to the meeting.
  - a. It is to be understood that a vote of no confidence against an ASMSU Chief Officer is simply a means to show dissatisfaction with how the Chief Officer in question has been fulfilling their duties. Because there is no tangible action that the General

- Assembly can take against an ASMSU Chief Officer, no desired outcome shall be included in the vote of no confidence bill.
- b. The Chief Officer in question will not be exempt from Robert's Rules speaking limits unless otherwise motioned, but will be yielded an additional five (5) minutes to speak immediately before the voting period for the bill.
- c. If the no confidence bill is passed, the legislation will be sent to the ASMSU HR Department for further review and potential administrative action.

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