

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY  
FORTY-THIRD SENATE  
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**BILL #4317  
CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT: College Council Vote of Confidence**

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WHEREAS: Article V: College Councils, states: Each college of Colorado State University, including the Graduate School and Intra-University Program, should have a College Council or similar organization to represent the particular interests and concerns of students within each college. Each College Council shall consist of openly and democratically selected representatives who shall be full- time students within that college. College Council representatives shall be selected according to the provisions of the Constitution or bylaws of their respective College Councils, which shall conform to such general requirements as the Senate or the Elections Committee shall from time to time provide.

For purposes of this article, the official College Council shall be the organizational entity with the authority to elect Senators to fill ASCSU vacancies within their colleges. While remaining independent in respect to programming, College Councils shall be considered units of ASCSU and shall be subject in all matters to the ASCSU constitutional, legislative and judicial oversight. ASCSU shall not interfere with the internal finances of College Councils other than ASCSU allocated funding per Student Funding Board rules. This Amendment will not preclude College Councils from applying for funding from ASCSU.

WHEREAS: Article II, Section 204, states: Whenever a vacancy in the Senate shall occur, the appropriate College Council (if there is one) shall be notified and said council shall have the power to fill the vacancy in the manner it prescribes. Additionally, College Councils have the power to appoint or elect Associate Senators to represent that college. The Senate shall solicit representatives from colleges lacking a council.

WHEREAS: Senate is dependent on college councils for appointing Senators and Associate Senators during the academic year.

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ENACTED**

That upon written or verbal recommendation of the Senate Recruitment and Retention Officer or Speaker Pro-Tempore, Senate by majority vote can call for a vote of confidence on any College Councils who have been deemed by the Senate Leader(s) to be non-cooperative, insufficient in matters of recruitment, ~~excessively~~ exclusionary, or non-existent. No vote of confidence shall be held in the first four sessions of a Senate body.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a supermajority (2/3) vote of “No Confidence” will effectively give the power of appointing Senators and Associate Senators from a College to the Senate. The Senate will appoint these Senators by majority vote.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That Senators appointed by the Senate shall still be accountable to the College from which they are declared. They shall seek advisement from the College Council and report matters of ASCSU to that body and their constituents. If a College Council was deemed “Non-cooperative” and cooperation is unattainable, then the current or newly appointed Senators shall seek to act in the best interests of their constituents. If a College Council is deemed “Non-existent” then the current or Senate appointed Senators shall seek to create one.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That upon written or verbal recommendation of the Senate Recruitment and Retention Officer or Speaker Pro-Tempore, Senate by majority vote can call a vote to reinstate a College Council if the point of discord has been mediated and resolved or if the college council and Senate has agreed to terms of reinstatement.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That a supermajority (2/3) vote of “Confidence” will effectively return power of appointing Senators and Associate Senators from a College to the respected College Council.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED

That Section 204 of Article II of the Constitution of the Associated Students of Colorado State University be amended to read as follows:

“Section 204: Whenever a vacancy in the Senate shall occur, the appropriate College Council (if there is one) shall be notified and said council shall have the power to fill the vacancy in the manner it prescribes. Additionally, College Councils have the power to appoint or elect Associate Senators to represent that college. This allowed power is contingent on the confidence of Senate. If Senate has stated “No Confidence” in any particular council that power of appointing Senators and Associate Senators will be given to the Senate. Senate may return this power to the College Council with a vote of “Confidence”; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED/RESOLVED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Dr. Tony Frank, Colorado State University President; and Dr. Blanche Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs, and College Council Presidents.

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