

**The Associated Students
Of
New Mexico State University**

Resolution #22

The attached legislation has been properly approved by the members of the Sixtieth Senate of the Associated Students of New Mexico State University in accordance with ASNMSU Law.



Donovan Olvera, ASNMSU Chief Senate Clerk

12/12/16
Date



Kevin Prieto, ASNMSU Vice President

12/12/16
Date

SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

RESOLUTION # 22

SIXTIETH SENATE

2016-2017

Introduced by: Munoz, Downing, Cairns Date: 11/1/2016
Referred to: Rules, Community Affairs, Finance Date: 11/3/2016
Senate Action: FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION Date: 11/17/2016
Date Signed: _____

LX-16-17

A RESOLUTION

1 CONCERNING SECTION 8-15 OF THE ASNMSU LAW BOOK. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
2 SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY.

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4 WHEREAS, the ASNMU Law Book contains a section on closing debate, and use of the motion
5 previous question; and

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7 WHEREAS, wording of the section can be vague and open to various interpretations; and

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9 WHEREAS, ASNMSU Law Book does not provide a clear answer on whether the motion of
10 previous question is allowed in committees; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Senate will be able to understand, and use previous question more efficiently and
13 effectively without confusion.

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15 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Associated Students of New Mexico State University that
16 section 8-15 be revised for clarification, and interpretation in the future.

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18 All new material is underlined and deleted material is in [brackets].

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20 **8-15 CLOSING DEBATE**

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22 [A. When any bill, resolution, or motion has been under debate for one-half (1/2) hour, it shall be in order
23 for any Senator to move the previous question.]

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25 A. When a bill, or resolution has been on the floor for debate for one-half (1/2) hour, it is acceptable and
26 in order, for any Senator to call previous question;

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28 a. When a new motion is created upon the main motion (a debatable secondary motion (ex.
29 Amend, Postpone Indefinitely, etc.)), that motion may be debated for one-half (1/2) hour
30 before previous question may be called.

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32 b. After a vote has been taken on the secondary motion, the time will resume on the bill or
resolution being discussed.

33 B. Previous question may not be used in committees, in accordance with the 11th edition of Robert's
34 Rules of Order.

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36 C. [B.] If at any time during the sessions of the Senate a question shall be raised by any Senator as to the
37 presence of a quorum, the presiding officer shall forthwith direct the Chief Senate Clerk to call the
38 roll and shall announce the results.

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40BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies be sent to the ASNMSU President, the ASNMSU Attorney General,
41and the ASNMSU Senate.