

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

RESOLUTION #48

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



Bethany Mendoza, ASNMSU Chief Senate Clerk

3/8/2019

Date



Linda Cisneros, ASNMSU Vice-President

03/08/2019

Date

**SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY**

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SIXTY-SECOND SENATE

2018-2019

Introduced by:	<u>Shareef, Ortiz, Stewart, Stringam, Laemmle</u>	Date: <u>02/19/2019</u>
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Senate Action:	<u>APPROVED</u>	Date: <u>03/07/2019</u>

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A RESOLUTION

1 CONCERNING FINANCIAL AID FOR THE NMSU STUDENT REGENT. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
2 ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY.

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4 WHEREAS, the NMSU Student Regent position is available to the entirety of the student body, and should be
5 accessible for all NMSU students, irrespective of their financial background; and

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7 WHEREAS, the NMSU Student Regent currently serves without compensation and is only reimbursed for travel
8 expenses incurred; and

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10 WHEREAS, the NMSU Student Regent is not allowed to work on NMSU campus during their term as this would be
11 a conflict of interest for the NMSU Student Regent with the NMSU campus; and

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13 WHEREAS, the time commitment required of the Student Regent is significant, with duties of the office requiring
14 the Student Regent to routinely miss scheduled classes and make other schedule adjustments, prepare for meetings,
15 participate in meetings, follow-up, visit system institutions, and various other activities; and

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17 WHEREAS, as a result of the time commitment of the position, the Student Regents in the past have selected to
18 reduce their course-work and extend their studies by a semester or year; and

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20 WHEREAS, the NMSU Student Regent position is not accessible to students who lack the financial resources to
21 take on this job without compensation; and

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23 WHEREAS, the NMSU Student Regent position is only financially feasible if students take out excessive student
24 loans, are funded by grants or scholarships, or the student comes from an affluent background; and

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26 WHEREAS, having a Student Regent without any compensation jeopardizes the University's ability to attract strong
27 candidates for this position.

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29 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of New Mexico State University, on behalf of the
30 students at NMSU, urges the NMSU Administration to set up a Student Regent Financial Aid account intended for
31 funding 100% of an in-state tuition of the NMSU Student Regent for serving the NMSU students on the NMSU
32 Board of Regents, and amending the Regents Policy Manual in a similar manner.

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Board of Regents, the NMSU
35 Chancellor, the NMSU President, the NMSU Provost, the NMSU Dean of Students, the Chair of the Faculty Senate,
36 the ASNMSU President, the ASNMSU Vice President, the ASNMSU Director of Public Relations, and all NMSU
37 College Councils.