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# A Bill to Revise and Clarify Language Regarding Office Hours for Student Government Representatives-at-Large and Senators of the Colleges and Schools

# **Bill History and Purpose**

Office hours serve as a means for students and other officers to discuss issues with their representatives in student government as well as to inform students about the presence and current activities of student government on campus. Due to a lack of visibility of CU Student Government on campus, this is a step forward to raise awareness about what we do.

According to CU Student Government's current governing documents, Representative Council Members are required to establish a minimum of 4 office hours per week in the CUSG Office, in the UMC, or in the fountain area and Council of Colleges and Schools Representatives "may make similar arrangements". Punitively, to remain eligible for salary, financial compensation, and/or financial stipends, both Representatives and Senators must post and hold a minimum of 4 weekly office hours. This bill seeks to revise the rules such that Senators are required to hold office hours as well as change the eligible locations for these office hours in a way that increases exposure of students to CUSG and its current activities.

## **Bill Summary**

This bill seeks to amend the Legislative Council Bylaws to revise the office hour requirements for Senators and Representatives.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Government, THAT:

Section 1: Repeal and nullify Legislative Council Bylaws A.L.i.4, which states:

"4. Council of Colleges and Schools Representatives may make similar arrangements at the location of their respective school government offices."

#### And amends Legislative Council Bylaws A.L.i.4. to state:

"4. Council of Colleges and Schools Senators shall establish at least 4 regular office hours per week, during the fall and spring semesters. For further clarification with regards to CCS Senators, refer to Council of Colleges and Schools by-laws."

### Section 2: Repeal and nullify Legislative Council Bylaws A.L.i.5, which states:

"5. Representatives and Senators may also choose to hold their office hours tabling at the UMC or in the fountain area."

#### And amends Legislative Council Bylaws A.L.i.5. to state:

"5. Representatives-at-Large must serve at least **one** office hour per week visibly tabling in a public, CUSG-funded space such as the UMC fountain, the UMC breezeway, or the recreation center lobby. The topics of discussion with students shall be individually determined by Representatives. The CUSG Communications Director will provide basic CUSG-themed materials or consumables to attract students and decorate the tables.

#### Section 3: Amend Legislative Council Bylaws A.L.i with:

"6. Representatives may serve up to three of their remaining weekly office hours by attending a student group event visibly wearing their CUSG nametag. Attending one student group event is equal to one weekly office hour (i.e. three different student group events count as three weekly office hours)."

**Section 4:** This bill shall take effect upon passage by the Legislative Council and upon either obtaining the signatures of two Tri-Executives or the lapse of six days without action by the Tri-Executives.

Vote Count						
03/20/2014	Move to bundle author's amendments	Acclamation				
03/20/2014	Passed bundled amendments	Acclamation				
03/20/2014	Move to table	1-13-0				
03/20/2014	Passed on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading	14-0-0				
04/03/2014	Postponed to next meeting	Acclamation				
04/17/2014	Amendment to Section 1	Acclamation				
04/17/2014	Amendment to Section 2	Acclamation				
04/17/2014	Amendment to Section 4	Acclamation				

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04/17/2014	Failed amendment to Section 2	6-3-5
	(Required 2/3rds vote of Council)	
04/17/2014	Failed amendment to Section 3	5-3-6
	(Required 2/3rds vote of Council)	
04/17/2014	Move to table until 4/24/2014	Acclamation
04/24/2014	Amendment to Section 2	Acclamation
04/24/2014	Amendment to Section 3	Acclamation
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