

1 ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF ASU  
2 GPSA ASSEMBLY  
3 EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
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MARCH 11, 2011

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6 ASSEMBLY BILL #43

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8 INTRODUCED BY

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14 REFERENDUM ON THE CALLING OF SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY  
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17 GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION,  
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19 WHEREAS the dual branches of the GPSA, executive and legislative, can make use of checks-  
20 and-balances to ensure that the goals of each branch are being met without hindrance from the  
21 other, and  
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23 WHEREAS the calling of special sessions of the Assembly is a power that should not be reserved  
24 to the Assembly alone, and  
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26 WHEREAS the former policy allowed special sessions to be called by the GPSA President,  
27 Assembly President, or two-thirds vote of present and voting Assembly members but was  
28 changed with 2008-2009's Assembly Bill 41 to permit only the Assembly President, Assembly  
29 President pro tempore, or two-thirds vote of present and voting Assembly members to call special  
30 sessions of the Assembly, and  
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32 NOTING THAT the ability for GPSA's executive branch to call special sessions of the Assembly  
33 may serve as an effective check-and-balance of power to ensure that business is addressed in a  
34 timely manner,  
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36 BE IT ENACTED that the GPSA hereby directs the ASASU Elections Director to place the  
37 following Referendum Item on the spring general elections ballot, to take place no later than  
38 April 31, 2011.  
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40 AMEND Title III, Article 3, Section 3, subsection B of the ASASU Constitution to:

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42 B. Special sessions may be called by the GPSA President, Assembly President, or by two-thirds  
43 (2/3) vote of present and voting Assembly Members.  
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45 FURTHERMORE, upon successful passage of the Referendum, let the GPSA Bylaws be  
46 amended as such:  
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48 AMEND Title II, Article 1, Section H to:

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50 H. Special Sessions may be called by the GPSA President, Assembly President, or by  
51 two-thirds (2/3) vote of present and voting Assembly Members.  
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