

1 ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF ASU
2 GPSA ASSEMBLY
3 TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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6 ASSEMBLY BILL #27

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8 INTRODUCED BY

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10 ANDREW WALDRON
11 HERBERGER INSTITUTE FOR DESIGN AND THE ARTS

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13 AN ACT TO CHANGE ASSEMBLY PROXY RULES

14 GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION,

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16 WHEREAS the GPSA Assembly benefits from fully attended meetings with a diverse pool of voices;

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18 WHEREAS the Executives and Directors are a core component of the Executive Branch of GPSA and their
19 influence must remain separate from the Legislative Branch of GPSA;

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21 WHEREAS the GPSA Bylaws contain text indicating the potential conflict of interest with the phrase in
22 Title II, Article IV, "Current GPSA Executive Officers and Directors may serve as proxies, although for at
23 most one Assembly member at any point of time"

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25 NOTING THAT the Bylaws contain a limit that highlights the need for a separation of powers and
26 reduced influence by the Executive Branch on the Assembly,

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28 WHEREAS the ability for the Assembly President and Assembly Members to plan for absences and
29 proxies is greatly diminished by only allowing one Executive Officer or Director to proxy,

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31 NOTING THAT this bill in no way negatively reflects or comments on the work, communication, or
32 professionalism of any current Executive Officers or Directors;

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34 BE IT RESOLVED the text of Title II, Article 4, C be changed from:

35 "Assembly members who cannot attend an Assembly meeting are required to send a proxy
36 voter, as outline in Article 3 of this Title. Any GPSA member is eligible to serve as a proxy for an
37 Assembly member, although no individual may cast more than one vote, therefore Assembly
38 members may not proxy for one another. Current GPSA Executive Officers and Directors may
39 serve as proxies, although for at most one Assembly member at any point of time."

40 to:

41 "Assembly members who cannot attend an Assembly meeting are required to send a proxy
42 voter, as outlined in Article 3 of this Title. Any GPSA member of the same school or college or
43 program of the Assembly member, or any GPSA member for at large members, is eligible to
44 serve as a proxy for an Assembly member, although no individual may cast more than one vote,
45 therefore Assembly members may not proxy for one another. Current GPSA Executive Officers
46 and Directors may not serve as proxies."

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