BILL #21F
2019 FALL SESSION

Legislative Action:
Introduced by: **Senator R. Regalado (A)(S)(E), Deputy Chief of Staff V. Peña-Parr (A)(E)**

1st Reading: 11-13-19 
2nd Reading: 11-20-19 
3rd Reading: 

Referred To: **S&R**
Committee Action: 4-0-0-1
Senate Action: 19-0-01

Executive Action:
**X** Approved  **☐** Vetoed

[Signature]
ASUNM President

11/22/19
Date

Unsigned by the President on this ____ day of __________ 2019. Bill automatically becomes law.

Legislative Response:
Veto override vote taken: ____________ Senate Action: ____________

Be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico that the following be amended in *(Legislative Code, Article III and XII)* of the ASUNM *(Law Book)*:

**Article III: Senators**

Section 2. Duties of each Senator serving on the ASUNM Senate

H. G-H. Senators may be appointed to University agencies, boards, and committees, and commissions. Senators that have accepted a position in any of the preceding governing bodies are required to attend all meetings for the agencies, boards, and committees, or commissions to which they have been appointed.

H. G-H-I. If a Senator fails to comply with the duties of their office which include but are not limited to, regular attendance of office hours, committee meetings, full Senate meetings, appointed agency meetings, appointed board meetings, appointed committee meetings, appointed commission meetings, or outreach hours along with the proper submission of Office and Outreach Credits at the Senate Pro Tempore’s discretion, that Senator will face proper disciplinary action as outlined by the Disciplinary Action Code, Senator Accountability Code, and the Constitution.
Article XII: The Senator Accountability Code

Section 2. Violations

A. Demerits may be issued for the following offenses:

1. Unexcused tardiness: A demerit shall be issued upon the second unexcused tardiness to any mandatory ASUNM Senate meetings or events, including, but not limited to, standing committees, full Senate meetings, and ASUNM Senate retreats and appointed University agencies, boards, and committees, or commissions. Each additional unexcused tardy after the first demerit will constitute an additional demerit.

2. Unexcused early departure: A demerit shall be issued upon the second unexcused early departure from any mandatory ASUNM Senate meeting or event, including, but not limited to, standing committees, full Senate meetings, and ASUNM Senate retreat, and appointed University agencies, boards, and committees, or commissions. Each additional unexcused early departure after the first demerit will constitute and additional demerit.

3. Unexcused absence: A demerit shall be issued upon the first unexcused absence from any mandatory ASUNM Senate meetings or events, including, but not limited to, standing committees, full Senate meetings, ASUNM Senate retreats, and ASUNM community service projects and appointed University agencies, boards, and committees, or commissions. An event is considered to be mandatory if announced by the Vice President, or if a Senator signs up to participate at a specific place and time.

4. Failure to respond to reasonable efforts by the Vice President requesting information pertaining to functions of the Senate within two hundred–forty (240) hours. Additional demerits will be issued for each additional forty–eight (48) hour increment thereafter without response, so long as the Vice President has made additional efforts to contact the Senator.

5. Failure to fulfill additional senatorial duties: A demerit shall be issued upon the second failure to fulfill any other duty or obligation of a Senator outlined in the Standing Rules and Article III, Section 2 of the Legislative Code in the ASUNM Law Book.