BILL #17F

2022 FALL SESSION

Legislative Action:
Introduced by: President Pro Tempore R. Romero-Salas (A)(S)(E), Senator M. Chessman (A)(S)(E)
1st Reading: November 16, 2022
2nd Reading: ____________________
3rd Reading: ____________________

Executive Action:
Approved Vetoed

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ASUNM President Date

Unsigned by the President on this ____ day of ______ 2022. 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 (Definitions Code) of the ASUNM (Lawbook):

DEFINITIONS CODE

Appointee: Any individual who has been appointed by an ASUNM Officer to serve in an
ASUNM position, pending the approval of the President Pro Tempore and Director of
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Appointed Chair – A member of a Senate Committee who is appointed by the Vice President
to serve as chair.

ASUNM Office - The physical office located in the Student Union Building, Room 1016 or
any other physical or virtual space approved by the President or Vice President used to
conduct ASUNM business.

ASUNM Officer: any student holding a position in an ASUNM Government organization
and all elected or appointed students serving in the ASUNM Government.

ASUNM Positions – Any position that is not elected but is filled by an individual who has
gone through an application and appointment process and is ultimately selected by the
ASUNM President with approval of the ASUNM Senate. This excludes students appointed by
the ASUNM President to non-ASUNM Boards and Committees.

Bill – A proposed piece of legislation which, if enacted, signed, or otherwise affirmed, would
become law.
**Campaign Worker** – Any person or organization involved in the campaign for the passage/defeat of an issue on the ballot or that aids a candidate or group of candidates in the solicitation of votes for the purpose of obtaining an elected office within ASUNM. Any person or organization becomes a campaign worker when the candidate(s), any group of candidates, or any candidates running together, consents to the aid or is aware of it and does not attempt to stop it. Aiding in a campaign includes but is not limited to creating and/or distributing campaign material, fundraising, and soliciting votes in any manner.

**Campaign** – Any and all acts and/or resources that are involved in the solicitation of votes or endorsements for the purpose of obtaining an elected office, or the passage/defeat of any issue appearing on the ballot.

**Challenge Ballot** – A ballot cast by a challenge voter, and subject to individual verification by the Election Commission.

**Challenge Voter** – A voter who has their status as a member of ASUNM questioned.

**Claim** – Any demand for something as one's right or the right to an equitable remedy for a breach of contract or performance.

**Classroom Component** - Activities within a chartered student organization that contribute to earning a class credit hour including assignments outlined in the syllabus or assigned by an instructor.

**Community Service** – An unpaid act of a Senator, on behalf of ASUNM, that benefits the community in any way.

**Complaint** – A formal charge.

**Constitutional Amendment** – A proposed alteration in or addition to the ASUNM Constitution.

**Contest of Election** – A written challenge to the results of an election.

**Contestant** – Any student who files a written notice of contest of an election.

**Contester** – Any official against whom a written notice of contest of election has been filed.

**Deficit Spending** – Spending of ASUNM money that is not available in an organization’s account. This includes the spending of ASUNM money not available in individual line–items within an organization’s budget.

**Early Departure** – Leaving a meeting before it concludes.

**Elected Chair** – A member of a Senate Committee who is elected by a vote of a Senate Committee to serve as Vice Chair and who assumes the position of chair on a permanent basis when the Appointed Chair can no longer serve.

**Election Official** – Any member of the Election Commission, Poll workers, or other persons appointed to assist in any ASUNM election.

**Endorsement** – Any act where a member of ASUNM or UNM community abroad, excluding those with the power to adjudicate, publicly approves or supports a candidate for general elections.

**Ex-Officio** – A non–voting member with speaking privileges by virtue of, or because of, an office/position held, unless specified in the Law Book or Constitution otherwise.
**Fall Retreat** – The first organized meeting of the new academic year which falls before school starts where all available in ASUNM, led by the President and Vice President, learn the basics of ASUNM.

**Financial Enjoinment** – A legislative remedy issued in order to prohibit a group from engaging in any financial transactions.

**Fiscal Year** – The period of time beginning July 1st and ending June 30th.

**General Election** – A regularly scheduled election held during either the Fall or Spring Semester each year for the purpose of electing Senators and/or the President and Vice President or any referendum or constitutional amendment.

**Group** – Any chartered organization, service entities, Student Service Agency or committee, or General Government.

**Hire(s):** Any individual who has been appointed by an ASUNM Officer and approved by the President Pro Tempore, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and UNM Student Employment Office (if applicable).

**Impeach** – To accuse an ASUNM official, elected or appointed, of a crime or malfeasance, before the Senate, by the presentation of a written accusation.

**Interim** – A temporary presidential appointee position pending approval from the Outreach and Appointments Committee.

**Interim Hire** – A student who has been selected for an ASUNM position, pending approval from the President Pro Tempore, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and UNM Student Employment Office (if applicable).