

Committee on Government Operations

Senate of the Associated Students 93rd Session
Agenda for WEDNESDAY MARCH 11, 2026 at 10:00 AM
Frankie Sue Del Papa, President's Conference Room
ASUN Center for Student Engagement 3rd Floor
Joe Crowley Student Union
1664 N. Virginia Street
Reno, Nevada 89557
<https://unr.zoom.us/j/2669104490>

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

2. **COMPLIANCE WITH NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW**

- a. Was the agenda posted three full working days by 9 am, not including the meeting date?
<https://nevadaasun.com/meetings/>
- b. Is the meeting taking place on the day of the week, month, day, year, at the time and location listed on the agenda?
- c. Is the Zoom link working and available to the public?
- d. If the answer to any of these questions is no, this meeting must be ENDED IMMEDIATELY unless NOML covers a legitimate correction.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Chair Bohlander
Vice Chair Moss
Senator Saporito
Senator Issa
Senator Villa
Senator McAndrews

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)**

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Chair may elect to take public comment on actions on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length of time members of the public may speak.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

There are no minutes to be approved at this time.

6. AUDIO OR MINUTES MISSING FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THIS BODY THAT DO NOT MEET 30 DAY POSTING OF NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW

Minutes or audio file for previous meetings that are missing must be listed here with the date of each meeting.

7. OLD BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

8. NEW BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION/INFORMATION ONLY)

- S.B. 93 – An Act to Reform & Add to the Duties of the Senate Parliamentarian
- S.B. 93 – An Act to Establish a Non-Binding Voter Engagement & Demographics Survey on the ASUN General Election Ballot
- S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution to Reform & Add to the Duties of the Senate Parliamentarian
- S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution to Add a “Motion for New Information” in the Senate Rules
- S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution Codifying the Liaison Positions of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity

9. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Chair may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length of time members of the public may speak.

10. ADJOURNMENT

NOTES:

Agenda items may be considered out of order at the discretion of the Chair. The committee may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion of an item at any time.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B. 93 -
AN ACT TO REFORM & ADD TO THE
DUTIES OF THE SENATE PARLIAMENTARIAN

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 26TH, 2025

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA
CO-AUTHORED BY SPEAKER ACKLIN

Whereas, this piece accompanies the binding resolution of the same name; and

Whereas, within the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN), the Parliamentarian is responsible for ensuring that the Speaker and the Senate body adhere to Robert's Rules of Order; and

Whereas, it would be in the best interest of the Senate to ensure that Senate leadership maintains a more balanced distribution of duties and responsibilities; and

Whereas, expanding the duties of the Parliamentarian would not only assist the Senate Secretaries but also support the Speaker of the Senate in maintaining proper procedure and legislative organization; and

Whereas, the Parliamentarian of the Senate serves as the primary advisor to the Senate body on parliamentary procedure, legislative drafting, and interpretation of the governing documents of the Associated Students; and

Whereas, providing structured training to Senators early in each session on parliamentary procedure, legislative drafting, and common motions promotes a more informed Senate body and ensures that meetings are conducted efficiently and in accordance with established parliamentary authority; and

Whereas, maintaining a comprehensive and regularly updated legislative tracker strengthens transparency and accountability within the legislative process by allowing Senators and members of the public to easily monitor the progress and status of legislation; and

Whereas, providing regular reports to the Committee on Oversight regarding the status of legislation ensures that the Senate maintains proper institutional awareness of both active and completed legislative initiatives; and

Whereas, close coordination between the Parliamentarian, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Office of the Secretary of the Senate promotes the proper maintenance, organization, and accessibility of legislative records for both current and future sessions of the Senate; and

Whereas, clear communication between the Senate and the Center for Student Engagement Information Technology staff is necessary to ensure that the Senate's webpage and public-facing materials remain accurate, accessible, and up to date; and

Whereas, ensuring the publication and maintenance of the Senate Outreach Form on the ASUN website strengthens the ability of students to communicate their concerns and ideas directly to their elected representatives; and

Whereas, establishing the Parliamentarian as a central resource for Senators seeking assistance with legislative drafting and procedural clarification encourages more effective participation by Senators in the legislative process; and

Whereas, providing for the Parliamentarian to preside over meetings in the absence of both the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker Pro Tempore ensures continuity in the conduct of Senate meetings; and

Whereas, periodic review and auditing of the Senate Rules helps ensure that the rules remain clear, updated, and consistent with the governing documents and parliamentary authority of the Senate; now, therefore,

***THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE
SENATE, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:***

Be it enacted, that the changes outlined in Addendum A and Addendum B be adopted into the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill be sent to the following individuals:

- Vice President, Student Services, *Heather Speed*;
- Senior Associate Director, Center for Student Engagement, *Amy Koeckes*;
- Director, Center for Student Engagement, *VACANT*;
- Associate Director, Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- President, Associated Students, *Carmina Aglubat*;
- Vice President, Associated Students, *Ethan McNamara*;
- Speaker, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Leaf Acklin*;
- Speaker Pro Tempore, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Dillon Moss*;
- Parliamentarian, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Jason Issa*; and
- Chair, Committee on Government Operations, *Nicholas Bohlander*;

Addendum A

TITLE I: THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CHAPTER 101: COMPOSITION

SECTION 08: PARLIAMENTARIAN

The Speaker shall appoint from the membership of the Senate a Parliamentarian, subject to the majority approval of the Senate, who shall advise the Speaker and individual Senators on matters of Senate procedure, the law, and the Constitution of the Associated Students. The Parliamentarian shall be informally trained along with or by the Attorney General of the Association within 14 days of assuming office and shall informally train officers and department directors on parliamentary procedures. The Parliamentarian shall assume a voting position within the Committee of Oversight and the Committee on Government Operations.

a) APPOINTMENT:

The Speaker of the Senate shall appoint from the membership of the Senate a Parliamentarian, subject to the majority approval of the Senate.

b) PURPOSE:

The Parliamentarian shall serve as the Senate's primary advisor on parliamentary procedure, legislative drafting, and the interpretation of the governing documents of the Associated Students.

c) DUTIES:

The duties of the Parliamentarian shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- i) The Parliamentarian shall advise the Speaker of the Senate and individual Senators on matters relating to Senate procedure, the Statutes of the Associated Students, the Constitution of the Associated Students, and parliamentary authority.
- ii) The Parliamentarian shall assume a voting position on the Committee on Oversight and the Committee on Government Operations.
- iii) Within thirty (30) days of assuming office, the Parliamentarian shall prepare and deliver a presentation to the Senate body covering the following topics:
 - 1) Parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order;
 - 2) The structure and hierarchy of the ASUN governing documents;
 - 3) Legislative drafting and how to properly write legislation;
 - 4) The various types of legislation used by the Senate; and
 - 5) Common motions and procedural practices used during Senate meetings.

- iv) The Parliamentarian shall be responsible for maintaining and overseeing the ASUN Legislation Tracker, including:
 - 1) Updating the tracker at least once per week, and
 - 2) Providing a summary report to the Committee on Oversight regarding the status of all active and completed pieces of legislation.
- v) The Parliamentarian shall work collaboratively with the Speaker of the Senate and the Office of the Secretary of the Senate to ensure that all legislative records remain accurate, transparent, and properly organized.
- vi) The Parliamentarian shall serve as the liaison between the Senate and the Center for Student Engagement Information Technology Technician, and shall communicate updates necessary for maintaining the Senate page of the ASUN website.
- vii) The Parliamentarian shall coordinate with the Center for Student Engagement Information Technology Technician to ensure that the Senate Outreach Form is published and maintained on the ASUN website.
- viii) The Parliamentarian shall serve as the primary point of contact for Senators seeking assistance with:
 - 1) Drafting legislation;
 - 2) Understanding Senate procedures; and
 - 3) Clarification regarding parliamentary authority or Senate Rules.
- ix) In the absence of both the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Parliamentarian shall assume the role of Chair of the Senate for the duration of the meeting or until a presiding officer is available.
- x) The Parliamentarian shall conduct a comprehensive audit of the Senate Rules every two (2) years to ensure that the rules remain updated, internally consistent, and aligned with best practices in parliamentary procedure. The Parliamentarian may present recommendations for revision to the Senate as necessary.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B. 93 -
AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NON-BINDING
VOTER ENGAGEMENT & DEMOGRAPHICS
SURVEY ON THE ASUN GENERAL
ELECTION BALLOT

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 30TH, 2025

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA & SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
MOSS
CO-AUTHORED BY SPEAKER ACKLIN

Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) exists to represent the interests, needs, and perspectives of the undergraduate student body; and

Whereas, effective representation and outreach by ASUN depend on accurate, up-to-date information about student engagement, priorities, and obstacles to participation in student government; and

Whereas, ASUN elections represent one of the largest annual points of direct engagement between students and their student government; and

Whereas, the collection of voluntary, non-identifying student input at the point of voting can provide valuable feedback to guide institutional outreach strategies, civic engagement initiatives, and resource allocation; and

Whereas, many universities and student governments utilize post-vote surveys or ballot-adjacent questionnaires to better understand student participation trends and engagement barriers; and

Whereas, the ASUN Elections Code currently contains no mechanism for the routine collection of structured voter engagement data during elections;

THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE SENATE, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Be it enacted, that the changes outlined in Addendum A be adopted into the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, that these changes shall take place during the 94th session of the Senate of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill be sent to the following individuals:

- Vice President, Student Services, *Heather Speed*;

- Senior Associate Director, Center for Student Engagement, *Amy Koeckes*;
- Director, Center for Student Engagement, *VACANT*;
- Associate Director, Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- President, Associated Students, *Carmina Aglubat*;
- Vice President, Associated Students, *Ethan McNamara*;
- Speaker, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Leaf Acklin*;
- Chair, Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement, *Jason Issa*;
- Chair, Committee on Government Operations, *Nicholas Bohlander*;
- Director, Department of Government Affairs, *Isabelle Hatch*; and
- Director, Elections & Democratic Education, *Ty Krysiniski*

Addendum A

TITLE VII: ELECTIONS

CHAPTER 702: ELECTIONS CODE

SECTION 17: THE BALLOT

- a) NAMES ON BALLOT: The order of the names on the ballot shall be arranged in alphabetical order by last name, first name, middle initial (if available).
- b) FORM OF BALLOT:
 1. The ballot shall primarily be administered using an online voting mechanism. The selected online voting mechanism shall meet University accessibility requirements.
 2. Provisional paper ballots shall be available in limited quantity at all physical polling locations, to students eligible to vote but unable to access the online ballot at a physical and/or electronic polling location due to a technical error.
 3. In the event the online voting system is unavailable or becomes unavailable at any time during the voting period, the Director of Elections and Democratic Education shall adopt temporary rules to carry out the elections using paper ballots. The Director of Elections and Democratic Education in consultation with the Attorney General and CSE Associate Director, or their designee may determine whether there is sufficient cause to extend the voting period.
- c) PAPER BALLOT:

Paper ballots may be used in the event of a technological issue or failure occurs during the elections period.
- d) PETITIONS:

Ballots for petitions shall be presented separately, as not to include multiple petitions on one page or screen.

 - 1) Ballots shall begin with the petition title and petition question, as approved by the Attorney General
 - 2) Ballots for petitions shall include options, vertically, for yes, no, and abstain.
 - 3) Voters shall not be able to proceed without marking one of the options on the ballot.
 - 4) No option will be selected by default when the ballot is presented to the voter
- e) VOTER ENGAGEMENT & DEMOGRAPHICS SURVEY:

A voluntary, non-binding Voter Engagement & Demographics Survey shall be integrated into the official ASUN General Election ballot.

 - 1) The survey shall:
 - a) Appear only after the final submission of the official voting ballot;
 - b) Have no effect on vote tabulation, ballot validity, or election results; and
 - c) Be completely optional for all voters.

- 2) The purpose of the survey shall be limited to:
 - a) Identifying patterns in student participation;
 - b) Improving ASUN-wide outreach and engagement initiatives;
 - c) Informing future institutional planning and student services; and
 - d) Supporting the work of ASUN departments and committees.
- 3) The survey shall not collect any personally identifying information, including but not limited to:
 - a) Names;
 - b) NSHE identification numbers;
 - c) Email addresses;
 - d) IP addresses; and
 - e) Any other direct identifying data.
- 4) Administration and Oversight:
 - a) The Director of Elections and Democratic Education, in consultation with the Department of Government Affairs and the Senate Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement shall be responsible for drafting, reviewing, and approving all survey questions annually.
 - b) All questions must be:
 - i) Neutral in tone;
 - ii) Accessible; and
 - iii) Compliant with University data and privacy standards.
- 5) Use and Publication of Data:
 - a) All data shall be reported only in aggregate form;
 - b) No data may be released in a form that could reasonably be used to identify individual voters;
 - c) Within sixty (60) days after certification of election results, the Director of Elections and Democratic Education shall submit a Survey Summary Report to the ASUN Senate.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B.R. 93 -
A BINDING RESOLUTION TO REFORM &
ADD TO THE DUTIES OF THE SENATE
PARLIAMENTARIAN

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 26TH, 2025

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA
CO-AUTHORED BY SPEAKER ACKLIN

Whereas, this piece accompanies the binding resolution of the same name; and

Whereas, within the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN), the Parliamentarian is responsible for ensuring that the Speaker and the Senate body adhere to Robert's Rules of Order; and

Whereas, it would be in the best interest of the Senate to ensure that Senate leadership maintains a more balanced distribution of duties and responsibilities; and

Whereas, expanding the duties of the Parliamentarian would not only assist the Senate Secretaries but also support the Speaker of the Senate in maintaining proper procedure and legislative organization; and

Whereas, the Parliamentarian of the Senate serves as the primary advisor to the Senate body on parliamentary procedure, legislative drafting, and interpretation of the governing documents of the Associated Students; and

Whereas, providing structured training to Senators early in each session on parliamentary procedure, legislative drafting, and common motions promotes a more informed Senate body and ensures that meetings are conducted efficiently and in accordance with established parliamentary authority; and

Whereas, maintaining a comprehensive and regularly updated legislative tracker strengthens transparency and accountability within the legislative process by allowing Senators and members of the public to easily monitor the progress and status of legislation; and

Whereas, providing regular reports to the Committee on Oversight regarding the status of legislation ensures that the Senate maintains proper institutional awareness of both active and completed legislative initiatives; and

Whereas, close coordination between the Parliamentarian, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Office of the Secretary of the Senate promotes the proper maintenance, organization, and accessibility of legislative records for both current and future sessions of the Senate; and

Whereas, clear communication between the Senate and the Center for Student Engagement Information Technology staff is necessary to ensure that the Senate's webpage and public-facing materials remain accurate, accessible, and up to date; and

Whereas, ensuring the publication and maintenance of the Senate Outreach Form on the ASUN website strengthens the ability of students to communicate their concerns and ideas directly to their elected representatives; and

Whereas, establishing the Parliamentarian as a central resource for Senators seeking assistance with legislative drafting and procedural clarification encourages more effective participation by Senators in the legislative process; and

Whereas, providing for the Parliamentarian to preside over meetings in the absence of both the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker Pro Tempore ensures continuity in the conduct of Senate meetings; and

Whereas, periodic review and auditing of the Senate Rules helps ensure that the rules remain clear, updated, and consistent with the governing documents and parliamentary authority of the Senate; now, therefore,

***THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE
SENATE, ARE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:***

Be it resolved, that the changes outlined in Addendum A and Addendum B be adopted into the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this bill be sent to the following individuals:

- Vice President, Student Services, *Heather Speed*;
- Senior Associate Director, Center for Student Engagement, *Amy Koeckes*;
- Director, Center for Student Engagement, *VACANT*;
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- Speaker Pro Tempore, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Dillon Moss*;
- Parliamentarian, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Jason Issa*; and
- Chair, Committee on Government Operations, *Nicholas Bohlander*;

Addendum A

Rule XX: SENATE OFFICERS

c) PARLIAMENTARIAN

The Speaker shall appoint from the membership of the Senate a Parliamentarian, subject to the majority approval of the Senate, who shall advise the Speaker and individual Senators on matters of Senate Procedure, the law, and the Constitution.

The duties of the Parliamentarian shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) The Parliamentarian shall advise the Speaker of the Senate and individual Senators on matters relating to Senate procedure, the governing documents of the Associated Students, and parliamentary authority.
- b) Within thirty (30) days of assuming office, the Parliamentarian shall prepare and deliver a presentation to the Senate body covering the following topics:
 - i) Parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order;
 - ii) The structure of the ASUN governing documents;
 - iii) Legislative drafting and how to write legislation;
 - iv) The types of legislation used by the Senate; and
 - v) Common motions and procedures used during Senate meetings.
- c) The Parliamentarian shall oversee the ASUN Legislation Tracker, including:
 - i) Updating the tracker at least once per week, and
 - ii) Providing a summary report to the Committee on Oversight regarding the status of active and completed legislation.
- d) The Parliamentarian shall work collaboratively with the Speaker of the Senate and the Office of the Secretary of the Senate to ensure that legislative records remain accurate, transparent, and properly organized.
- e) The Parliamentarian shall serve as the liaison between the Senate and the Center for Student Engagement Information Technology Technician and communicate updates necessary for maintaining the Senate page of the ASUN website.
- f) The Parliamentarian shall be responsible for ensuring that the Senate Outreach Form is published to the ASUN website no later than one (1) week following the conclusion of the previous outreach period, and remains accessible to the public.

- g) The Parliamentarian shall serve as the primary point of contact for Senators seeking assistance regarding legislative drafting and Senate procedure.
- h) In the absence of both the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Parliamentarian shall act as Chair of the Senate.
- i) The Parliamentarian shall conduct an audit of the Senate Rules every two years to ensure the rules remain updated and consistent with parliamentary authority and the governing documents of the Associated Students.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B.R. 93 -
A BINDING RESOLUTION TO ADD A
“MOTION FOR NEW INFORMATION” IN THE
SENATE RULES

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

MARCH 5TH, 2026

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA

Whereas, the Senate of the Associated Students conducts its meetings in accordance with its adopted Rules of the Senate and the parliamentary authority established therein; and

Whereas, the Rules of the Senate recognize certain procedural motions used to conduct the orderly business of the Senate, including motions such as the motion to adjourn; and

Whereas, efficient debate is essential to ensuring that Senate meetings remain accessible, productive, and respectful of the time of Senators, staff, and members of the public; and

Whereas, debate on legislation and other matters may at times become repetitive when multiple speakers reiterate the same points previously raised during deliberation; and

Whereas, repetitive debate may unnecessarily prolong meetings without contributing additional insight or information relevant to the question before the Senate; and

Whereas, establishing a procedural mechanism to limit repetitive remarks would encourage Senators to contribute substantive, new perspectives while still preserving the right of members to participate in debate; and

Whereas, creating a “Motion for New Information” would allow the Senate to continue debate while ensuring that speakers contribute new or materially different information to the discussion; and

Whereas, contrary to popular belief, there is no such thing as a “Motion for New Information” under Roberts Rules of Order; now, therefore,

***THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE
SENATE, ARE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:***

Be it resolved, that the changes outlined in Addendum A are adopted into the rules of the Senate of the Associated Students; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this binding resolution be sent to the following individuals:

- Vice President, Student Services, *Heather Speed*;
- Director, Center for Student Engagement, *VACANT*;
- Senior Associate Director, Center for Student Engagement, *Amy Koeckes*;
- Associate Director, Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- President, Associated Students, *Carmina Aglubat*;
- Vice President, Associated Students, *Ethan McNamara*;
- Speaker, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Leaf Acklin*;
- Speaker Pro Tempore, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Dillon Moss*;
- Parliamentarian, 93rd Senate, Associated Students, *Jason Issa*; and
- Chair, Committee on Government Operations, *Nicholas Bohlander*

Addendum A

Rule IV: MOTIONS

a) MOTIONS TO ADJOURN

The following terms and conditions shall apply to motions listed below, the provisions of the Senate's parliamentary authority notwithstanding:

- 1) Motion to Adjourn: All motions to adjourn shall be understood to adjourn the Senate to the next date and time scheduled, whether already placed on the schedule or added later by any of the methods prescribed by these Rules. No other business shall intervene subsequent to an ordering for adjournment except the taking of public comment if not yet heard during the meeting.
- 2) Motion to Adjourn Sine Die: The Senate shall adjourn sine die only by resolution. Such a resolution shall set the date of adjournment sine die as the Wednesday immediately prior to the expected first meeting of the following session of the Senate.

b) MOTION FOR NEW INFORMATION

- 1) At any time during debate on a question before the Senate, a Senator may move for New Information.
- 2) The purpose of the Motion for New Information shall be to prevent repetitive debate and ensure that Senators contribute new or materially different information relevant to the matter under consideration.
- 3) Upon adoption of the Motion for New Information, Senators seeking recognition to speak shall only do so if they intend to present information, arguments, or perspectives that have not already been expressed during the current debate.
- 4) The Speaker of the Senate shall retain discretion to determine whether a Senator's remarks constitute new information and may rule a Senator out of order if their remarks substantially repeat points already made.
- 5) The Motion for New Information shall be decided without debate and shall require a simple majority vote of the Senate to adopt.
- 6) The Motion for New Information shall remain in effect for the duration of debate on the pending question unless rescinded by a subsequent motion of the Senate.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B.R. 93 -
A BINDING RESOLUTION CODIFYING THE
LIAISON POSITIONS OF THE SPECIAL
COMMITTEE ON FOOD INSECURITY

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

FEBRUARY 9TH, 2026

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR SAPORITO, SENATOR ATKINSON, AND
PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA

Whereas, special committees, while temporary in nature, operate under the procedural and structural framework established for standing committees, unless otherwise directed by the Senate or specified in their formation;

Whereas, it is vital to communicate updates within the student government throughout its legal documents, ensuring both the student government and student body are knowledgeable of changes, revisions, or additions created from session-to-session;

Whereas, the Special Committee on Food Insecurity currently holds nine members within the committee, allowing for the group to reach out to multiple internal/external institutions;

Whereas, the Special Committee only holds seven liaison positions;

Whereas, sharing the connection with the Assistant Director of Business Operations and Food Services not only strengthens the committee's connection to Nevada Dining, Reslife, and the Faculty Food Coalition Committee, but also promotes greater conversation regarding alleviating potential food insecurity found within the University's dormitories and its meal-swipe plans;

Whereas, establishing a connection with Mainstation, one of CABNR's most distinguished programs, enables the Committee to gain deeper insight into the agricultural produce developed for the University and strengthens the relationship between the Committee and the University's College of Agriculture, Biotechnology & Natural Resources;

Whereas, these liaison positions will uphold duties including but not limited to; student-related issues, outreach opportunities, and general marketing;

Whereas, these liaison positions will be heavily recommended to not only outreach and assist their direct contact over the 93rd session, but also communicate and outreach to other neighboring organizations/facilities/faculty;

Whereas, further suggested contacts will be established in the Contact Sheet displayed within the Special Committee Files located in the UNR Box;

Whereas, with the future of the Special Committee—whether removal, continuation, or transition to a Standing Committee—subject to Senate determination at the end of the 93rd Session, the current liaison language should be struck or revised ahead of the 94th Session;

Whereas, codifying these positions for the Special Committee will ensure a proper transition into the 94th session, granted that the table approves that motion;

Be it resolved by the Senate of Associated Students, that Addendum A is enacted within the Rules of the Senate;

Be it further resolved, that a copy of the legislation be sent to the following individuals:

- Associate Director of Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- Senior Associate Director, *Amy Koeckes*;
- Coordinator of Pack Provisions, *Toni Ortega*;
- President of the Associated Students, *Carmina Aglubat*;
- Vice President of the Associated Students, *Ethan McNamara*;
- Speaker of the 93rd Senate of the Associated Students, *Leaf Acklin*;
- Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, *Nicholas Bohlander*;

Addendum A

Rule XI: SPECIAL COMMITTEES

a) APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The formation of a Special committee may occur at the discretion of the Speaker or by binding resolution of any Senator with the approval of the Senate. The Speaker shall appoint the chairperson and other members of the Special Committee, unless the motion creating the committee specifies some other method of selection.

b) MEETINGS AND GENERAL DUTIES OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special committees shall meet at the discretion of the Chair, subject to any conditions which may be stated in the committee's formation. Special committees shall be responsible for the consideration of all questions referred to them by the Senate and the preparation of legislation as directed by the Senate in their formation or subsequent instructions, and the preparation of all reports required by these Rules or deemed necessary at the discretion of the Chair.

c) ACTIVE SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The following special committees are recognized as currently active. Each committee operates under the authority of the Senate and serves a unique function in addressing specific issues or initiatives. The committees listed here are temporary in nature but are expected to adhere to the Senate's procedural standards unless otherwise directed.

i) SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD INSECURITY

The Special Committee on Food Insecurity shall be responsible for addressing food insecurity among the student body by assessing current resources, advocating for accessible support systems/services, and working collaboratively with University and Community stakeholders to improve food accessibility. The Special Committee shall be responsible for drafting and advancing legislation related to food insecurity and awareness of food insecurity, both on and off campus. The Special Committee shall hold the Director of Pack Provisions (or a student representative appointed by the Director) as an ex officio member of the committee. The Special Committee must also deliver reports to the Senate Table throughout the 93rd session, in October and February; these reports must focus on the core pillars established by the Special Committee:

Discovery shall serve as the intellectual foundation for the Committee's operations. The Committee shall conduct, gather, and regularly review new and existing data related to food insecurity among the student population. Following the Committee's reporting duties, it shall deliver formal reports to the Senate Table in October and February,

focusing specifically on progress within each of the four pillars and evaluating the impact of its initiatives.

Outreach shall focus on building and maintaining relationships with external partners, including local nonprofits, advocacy groups, and food insecurity-based organizations throughout Reno and Carson City. Outreach efforts shall provide a tangible, community-based foundation for the Committee's initiatives.

Collaboration shall emphasize strengthening internal relations with University organizations and administrations. The Committee shall actively engage with departments and student-led organizations. By participating in ongoing programs and assisting with existing initiatives, the Committee shall foster mutual support and establish a visible, reliable presence within the campus ecosystem.

Action shall focus on sustained advocacy and student engagement. This pillar emphasizes the Committee's role in mobilizing the student body through civic engagement. The Committee shall promote volunteer opportunities through platforms such as GivePulse and actively support food distribution and education efforts.

Liaison Positions:

Coordinator for Pack Provisions, Coordinator of Pack Rides, Marketing Supervisor of Nevada Dining, Director of Desert Farming Initiative, Operations Manager of Wolf-Pack Meats, Dean of Student Housing & Basic Needs, Executive Director of Friends In Service Helping (FISH), Assistant Director of Business Operations & Food Services (RLHFS), Livestock Coordinator & Supervisor - Mainstation

Figure A

Liaison Positions

1. Pack Provisions Liaison

Name: Toni Ortega
Title: Coordinator of Pack Provisions
Email: ortega@unr.edu

2. Desert Farming Initiative Liaison

Name: Jill Moe
Title: Director, Desert Farming Initiative
Email: jmoe@unr.edu
Phone: (775) 233-0677
Address: 1664 N. Virginia Street

3. Nevada Campus Dining

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