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4 *ASG Senate Resolution No. 23*
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8 **A Resolution to Immediately Put Title IX Filers in Contact with U of A**
9 **Cares and to Allow for Two-Week Academic Deadline Extensions**

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11 Whereas, The U.S. Department of Education’s Title IX regulation
12 states that “No person in the United States shall, on the basis
13 of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the
14 benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any
15 education program or activity receiving Federal financial
16 assistance.”
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18 Whereas, The Title IX regulation requires that universities extend
19 accommodations to those who file a Title IX report.
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21 Whereas, Presently, The University of Arkansas has no official
22 accommodations policy in place for those who file Title IX
23 reports.
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25 Whereas, Upon submitting a report, Title IX filers are referenced to U
26 of A Cares in order to discuss accommodations, yet the
27 responsibility to inquire about various types of
28 accommodations and academic support relies solely on the
29 student.
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31 Whereas, Filing a Title IX report is often a lengthy and draining
32 process that can take an entire semester (or longer) to be
33 completed. This undoubtedly takes a toll on students’ mental
34 health and academic abilities.
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36 Whereas, The current Title IX policies are not conducive to a student
37 going through the process of filing a sexual violence report.
38 Lack of explicit accommodations for filers (among other
39 things) are often reasons why students do not report sexual
40 violence to their campus Title IX offices.
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42 Whereas, As an example, The U.S. Justice Department stated that less
43 than 5% of sexual assaults on college campuses are reported
44 to the campus, community, or law enforcement.
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46 Whereas, In order to end sex-based and gender-based violence, it is
47 imperative that the University of Arkansas stand by its
48 commitment to create a safe and inclusive learning
49 environment and extend acceptable accommodations to
50 survivors filing Title IX reports.
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53 Be it therefore resolved: That the University of Arkansas Title IX office
54 automatically put Title IX filers in contact with
55 U of A Cares in order to discuss
56 accommodations immediately upon filing.
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58 Be it further resolved: That the U of A Cares office offer automatic
59 two-week deadline extensions for individual
60 assignments (not including group work and
61 tests) during the length of the Title IX process
62 for survivors filing a Title IX report.
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64 Be it further resolved: That the Associated Student Government
65 Senate take a stand against sexual violence by
66 fostering a comfortable and supportive
67 learning environment for survivors of sexual
68 violence.
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71 Be it finally resolved: A copy of this legislation will be sent to
72 Chancellor Joe Steinmetz, Title IX Coordinator
73 Liz Means, Deputy Title IX Coordinator Shane
74 Barker, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor
75 for Academic and Student Affairs Charles
76 Robinson, and Senior Associate Vice
77 Chancellor and Dean of Students Melissa
78 Harwood-Rom.
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80 Amendments: _____
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82 Vote Count: Aye 35 Nay 1 Abstentions 3
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84 Legislation Status: Passed X Failed _____ Other _____

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