

SR002-0102

10 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING
20 AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
30 OF THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE

40 FOR the purpose of amending the selection of awards

50 BY repealing, and reenacting with amendments
60 Article VI: The Legislative Branch
70 Section XII
80 Maryland Student Legislature Constitution

90 WHEREAS: Currently the Constitution of the Maryland Student
100 Legislature calls for an Awards Committee to be
110 created during the Annual Session; and,

120 WHEREAS: This system takes an extraordinary amount of time
130 and energy to decide awards; and,

140 WHEREAS: The purpose of the General Assembly of the
150 Maryland Student Legislature is to "assemble as
160 members of legislative, executive and judicial
170 bodies;" and,

180 WHEREAS: The Awards Committee takes time away from members
190 ability to debate on the floor the real issues.

200 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE, that the
210 Constitution of the Maryland Student Legislature read as follows:

220 **Article VI: The Legislative Branch**

230 § 7A – AWARDS

240 AT THE SPRING INTERIM ASSEMBLY, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
250 SHALL ADDITIONALLY POSSESS THE AUTHORITY TO:

260 (A) SELECT AN AWARDS COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF SEVEN
270 SELECTED MEMBERS, WHICH SHALL:

280 (1) MEET AT LEAST ONCE, OUTSIDE ANY LEGISLATIVE
290 SESSIONS.

300 (a) THE COUNCIL OF STATE SHALL SET A DATE
310 WHICH SHALL BE AFTER THE UNIVERSAL
320 DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL SESSION AND AT LEAST
330 ONE WEEK BEFORE THE ANNUAL SESSION;

340 (2) ELECT A COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON;

350 (3) NOMINATE, FOR THE LEGISLATIVE YEAR, AT
360 LEAST TWO OF EACH FOR THE FOLLOWING AWARDS

370 (a) MOST OUTSTANDING ACT;

- 380 (b) MOST OUTSTANDING RESOLUTION;
- 390 (c) MOST OUTSTANDING DELEGATION;
- 400 (d) WILLIAM TROY SIMMONS AWARD FOR
450 DISTINGUISHED CAREER OF SERVICE, WHICH
460 MUST BE AWARDED TO A MEMBER NOMINATED
470 BY HIS OR HER DELEGATION PRIOR TO THE
480 UNIVERSAL DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL SESSION
490 ACCORDING TO THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY
500 THE COUNCIL OF STATE.
- 510 (e) THOMAS V. "MIKE" MILLER AWARD FOR UP AND
520 COMING MEMBERS, WHICH MUST BE AWARDED
530 TO A MEMBER NOMINATED BY HIS OR HER
540 DELEGATION BEFORE THE UNIVERSAL DEADLINE
550 FOR ANNUAL SESSION ACCORDING TO CRITERIA
560 ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNCIL OF STATE. ONLY
570 FIRST AND SECOND YEAR MEMBERS OF MSL ARE
580 ELIGIBLE FOR THIS AWARD.

590 (B) THESE NOMINATIONS WILL BE BROUGHT UP DURING THE
600 ANNUAL SESSION.

610 (C) WINNERS FOR THE ABOVE WILL BE VOTED ON BY THE FULL 550
GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

620 (D) THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES WILL SELECT THE MOST
630 OUTSTANDING DELEGATE;

640 (E) THE SENATE WILL SELECT THE MOST OUTSTANDING
650 SENATOR.

660 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Amendment shall take
670 effect immediately, in order to include legislation from Fall Interim Assembly.

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700 Attorney General Seth Kleiner
710 Secretary of State Michael Haw
720 Speaker of the Assembly Tim Daly
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