

**RESOLUTION 76 – 06A**

**Title:** Amendment to MSMS Bylaws Pertaining to the Organization of the MSMS-Medical Student Section

**Introduced by:** Liam P. Howley for the Medical Student Section

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**Referred to:** Reference Committee on Constitution & Bylaws

**House Action:**

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Whereas, Section 20.40 of the MSMS bylaws currently provides for the election of officers for the Medical Student Section, inclusive of a chair, vice-chair, and a secretary, as well as a representative to fill the students' seat on the Board of Directors, and

Whereas, current structure within the Medical Student Section has evolved over the years, and

Whereas, the importance of representation from the Student Section to the Board of Directors is integral to the function of the Section, and beneficial to the Society as a whole, and

Whereas, the bulk of Section 20.40 is herein left unchanged, with the substantial changes being the clarification of the current structure of the Governing Council, and the filling of vacancies, which are very rare, and

Whereas, loss of representation or leadership is detrimental to both the Section and the Society; therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That MSMS Bylaws Section 20.40 be amended as follows:

**20.40 MEDICAL STUDENT SECTION—**To provide representation for the interests of medical students within the structure of the Michigan State Medical Society, there shall be a Section on Medical Students, composed of students of each established medical school in Michigan who are student members of MSMS.

The purpose of the Section will be to provide a forum within the organizational structure of the Society for the study and consideration of matters of special interest or significance to medical students in Michigan.

**At its annual meeting, the Section shall elect a Governing Council consisting of a chair, a vice-chair, and a secretary, a member of the Michigan Delegation to the AMA, and a representative to the MSMS Board of Directors. It shall also elect one delegate for every 50 MSMS student members to the MSMS House of Delegates, each of whom These officers shall all serve for a term of one-year renewable terms to begin after the House of Delegates.**

**The Section It shall also elect delegates to the MSMS House of Delegates, one delegate for every 50 MSMS student members to the MSMS House of Delegates, each of whom shall serve for term of one year. There shall be one delegate for every 50 MSMS student members.**

**At its annual meeting the Section shall elect a representative to fill the students' seat on the Board of Directors for a one-year renewable term to begin at the first Board of Directors meeting after the House of Delegates. If a vacancy in any of the officers' positions the students' seat should occur during a the term, that seat shall be immediately filled by election as provided in the Student Section Bylaws, with approval of the Board of Directors. the vacancy shall remain unfilled until the next term.**

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**WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**