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Proposed Change: Revising Teaching During Absences Source of Bill: **Faculty Senate Compensation Committee**

FACULTY SENATE

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE BILL 26-A-5

Approved by the Faculty Senate XXXXXX

BRIEF SUMMARY: This bill revises a section of "Teaching During Absences" in Chapter 2 of the *Faculty* Handbook.

ACTION OF BILL: REVISING TEACHING DURING ABSENCES – EXTENDED FACULTY ABSENCES AND COMPENSATION GUIDELINES

BE IT RESOLVED: Subject to the passage and approval of this bill and its companion bill 26-A-XX Teaching During Absences – Extended Faculty Absences and Compensation Guidelines – Part 2, a section of "Teaching During Absences" in Chapter 2 of the Faculty Handbook will be revised.

TEACHING DURING ABSENCES - EXTENDED FACULTY ABSENCES AND **COMPENSATION GUIDELINES**

Extended Faculty Absences and Compensation Guidelines 1

2 Faculty absences from classes due to illness or injury are to be covered by a reasonable and

equitable distribution of the absent faculty member's duties to department colleagues. These

4 assignments shall be coordinated by the department chairperson and shall be made on the basis

5 of department procedures. For university policy regarding leaves, consult Business Policies &

Procedures OP 03-18; Leaves (semo.edu/finance-admin/pdfs/finadm-03-18-policy.pdf) and 6

contact the university's Office of Human Resources. When extended faculty absences from

teaching cannot be covered through alternate delivery methods, then the department chairperson

or chair designee will coordinate a reasonable and equitable distribution of duties among

department colleagues when possible or hire an adjunct to best meet the needs of the department.

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Approved by Faculty Senate, bill 83-A-02 on 4/1983, Approved by Board of Regents 4/1983; Amended by Faculty

13 Senate, bill 86-A-09 on 10/22/1986, Approved by Board of Regents 12/1986; Revised Benefits Office 1/93

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