A Resolution to Create a University Senate Legislative Committee


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Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students, and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students to the university as a whole, and

Whereas, the primary outlet of representation to the university as a whole that the Undergraduate Student Government utilizes is the University Senate, and

Whereas, the Undergraduate Student Government appoints delegates to the University Senate, and

Whereas, the delegates to the University Senate appointed by the Undergraduate Student Government have all rights of discussion, voting, and legislative action that the faculty and administrative delegates to the University Senate have, and

Whereas, there are many concerns and issues that the Undergraduate Student Government is committed to working on for the undergraduate student body and for the university as a whole, and

Whereas, legislation passed in the University Senate has force of law toward the university as a whole rather than simply within the Undergraduate Student Government,

Therefore, Let it Be Resolved, that the Undergraduate Student Government shall create an ad-hoc University Senate Legislative Committee to research, organize, and write legislation to submit to the University Senate addressing such concerns and issues that the Undergraduate Student Government is committed to working on for the undergraduate student body and for the university as a whole, and

Let it Further Be Resolved, that this committee shall meet bi-monthly and be comprised of no fewer than four delegates to the University Senate, no fewer than three living-area senators, no fewer than five academic senators, the Speaker of the Senate, who shall not hold a committee officer position, and the University Senate Liaison, and
Let it Further Be Resolved, that, due to the serious implications of writing in legalese, suggestions for legislation to be considered by this committee are to remain in suggestion form to be then researched and written in resolution form by the committee rather than be submitted to the committee in resolution form, and

Let it Further Be Resolved, that legislation resulting from this committee must be voted on and passed on the floor of the Undergraduate Student Government Senate before it shall be presented to the University Senate, and

Let it Further Be Resolved, that the chair of this committee shall be primarily responsible for submitting and speaking for all such legislation to the University Senate, although not limiting any other delegate to the University Senate or member of this committee from executing the same course of action, and

Let it Further Be Resolved, that in the session of the Undergraduate Student Government Senate immediately following the one in which this resolution passes, a chair for this committee, who must be a delegate to the University Senate, shall be selected, and

Let it Further Be Resolved, that in the session of the Steering Committee immediately following the session of the Undergraduate Student Government Senate in which a chair for this committee is selected, members for this committee shall be selected to be approved in the session of the Undergraduate Student Government Senate immediately following said session of the Steering Committee.

Floor Vote: Yea: 41   Nay: 0   Present: 0

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President
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Speaker of the Senate