

PURDUE STUDENT SENATE

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“Amendment to Purdue Student Government Bylaws Article II, Section I, Part B. ‘Standing Committees’”

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Action(s):
President Pro Tempore: Justus Thomas
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WHEREAS, *Robert’s Rules of Order*, which serves as a *de facto* rulebook for Purdue Student Government Student Senate, suggests the creation of an investigative committee in the event that an officer of a deliberative body or organization is subject to removal from office; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of such an investigative committee is to impartially inform the voting members of a deliberative body about the facts of an officer’s proposed removal from office, as well as to give an officer or member who has been accused of an impeachable transgression the opportunity to provide her or his own account of the issue; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a new investigative committee each time that a member of Purdue Student Government is removed from office, however infrequent that may be, could create a lack of consistency in how PSG deals with removal of officers; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Affairs committee is:

- a) Already tasked with addressing “...internal concerns of the Purdue Student Government”,
- b) Consistently staffed with a sufficient number of Senators to provide a thorough investigation
- c) Able to provide uniformity in the process of removing officers;

Therefore, be it ENACTED,

that Article II, Section I, Part B, Subsection 2 of the Purdue Student Government Bylaws be amended to read:

2. The Committee on Internal Affairs shall address internal concerns of the Purdue Student Government and investigate Purdue Student Government officers subject to removal from office, as well as any concerns assigned to the Committee by the Student Body Vice President or President Pro Tempore.

Student Body President

Student Senate President