

PURDUE STUDENT SENATE

BILL 18-40

“Amendment to Purdue Student Government Constitution Article IV, Section I, Part C. ‘Removal and Vacancies of Members of Cabinet’”

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Sponsor(s):
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Assigned to:
Recommendations: Bring to floor
Action(s):
President Pro Tempore: Justus Thomas
Student Senate President: Olivia Keller
Student Body President: Aaron Banks

WHEREAS, the process for removing the Student Body President and the Student Body Vice President is unclear as written in the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, there should be a delineated process for removing a Student Body President and a Student Body Vice President from office; and

WHEREAS, *Robert’s Rules of Order*, the guidelines by which this deliberative body operates, calls for the creation of an investigative committee in the event that a member or officer of a deliberative body is subject to removal in order to gather facts about the transgression committed by the member and present these facts to the entire body for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the President Pro-Tempore, while a member of cabinet, serves at the pleasure of the Student Senate and is not elected by the student body. The President Pro-Tempore, therefore, should be subject to removal from her or his position with a two-thirds vote of the Student Senate without the submission of a bill or the presentation of an investigative committee’s findings;

Therefore, be it ENACTED,

that Purdue Student Government Constitution Article IV, Section I, Part C. "Removal and Vacancies of Members of Cabinet" subsection 4 be amended to read:

4. A petition to remove a Student Body President or Student Body Vice President from office shall be submitted as legislation in the form of a bill. An investigation of the Student Body President or Vice President's proposed removal from office will be conducted before the bill is heard before the Student Senate. Passage of a bill which removes the Student Body President or Student Body Vice President from office requires a two-thirds vote of the present membership of the Student Senate.
5. The President Pro-Tempore of the Student Senate may be removed from office with a two-thirds vote of the present membership of the Student Senate.

Student Body President

Student Senate President