

PURDUE STUDENT SENATE

BILL 18-41

“Amendment to Purdue Student Government Constitution Article II, Section I, Part D. ‘Removal and Vacancies of Senators’”

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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 a Senator from office is unclear as written in the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, there should be a delineated process for removing a Senator 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;

Therefore, be it ENACTED,

that Purdue Student Government Constitution Article II, Section I, Part D. “Removal and Vacancies of Senators” be amended to read:

1. A petition to remove a Senator from office shall be submitted as legislation in the form of a bill. An investigation of the Senator’s proposed removal from office will be conducted before the bill is heard before the Student Senate. Passage of a bill which removes a Senator from office requires a two-thirds vote of the present membership of the Student Senate.
2. Upon vacancy of any Student Senate seat, the Student Council of the respective college shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy. If, after two regularly scheduled meetings of the Student Senate, the Student Council has not filled the vacancy, the Student Body Vice President may petition the Dean of the respective College for a replacement.

Student Body President

Student Senate President