



Memo:

4/1/16

From the Desk of the Vice President of the Student Government Association of the University of North Texas.

Attached to this memo is B9-S2016. This bill was voted on by the SGA Student Senate and passed by unanimous consent. This referendum will be placed on the spring 2016 Ballot

Thank you,
-Christopher Lee
Vice President of The Student Government Association
Speaker of the Senate.



B9-S2016

Changes to Process of Removal for Senators

WHEREAS, the removal process for Senators includes an avenue for removal that uses a vote from the undergraduate student body, many of whom are not in the Senator’s college.

WHEREAS, the removal process for Senators does not expressly state the Speaker of the Senate’s power to recommend removal of a Senator for dereliction of duty.

WHEREAS, the Judicial branch should be utilized as a check-and-balance to prevent unnecessary and undeserved removal of Senators.

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the following changes be made to the UNT SGA Constitution: ARTICLE IV; **Section 10**

- ~~— A) Student Senators may be recalled and removed from the Student Senate by the Student Body by a simple two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the voting members of the Student Body after such a vote is called by a verifiable petition of five hundred (500) members of their constituency.~~
- A) Student Senators may be recalled and removed from the Student Senate by a majority vote of the Judicial Branch after such a vote is called by either (1) a majority vote of the Senate or (2) a verifiable petition of five percent of the members of their constituency.
- B) Student Senators may also be removed from the Student Senate by the ~~Supreme Court majority vote~~ Speaker of the Senate on the grounds of neglect of office, absence from Student Senate sessions, moral turpitude, dereliction of duty, or gross malfeasance of Office. The removal may be appealed to the Judicial Branch.
- C) The internal discipline and remove of Student Senators is deferred to the Senate Code of Conduct.
- D) The process for removal of elected executives will be outlined in the University of North Texas Student Government Association Bylaws.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the acceptance of this Constitutional amendment be put to a vote before the Student Body during the next general election

Respectfully Submitted,
Senator Isaac Warriner
Honors College

In Witness thereof, I hereby certify the Student Senate of the University of North Texas Student Government Association has approved this document and is referred to the office of the President.

Speaker of the Senate

4/1/16

Date

Presidential Action:

- Vetoed
- Approved

President of the Student Government Association

4/1/16

Date

Vice President of Student Affairs

Date