



Constitutional Amendment C-1-22

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AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF AN ACT OF THE SENATE

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

Section 1. Findings:

- A. In a recent decision issued by the Judicial Board, it was ordered by the Court that A-03-21 was invalidated under the pretense that it did not pertain to “matters involving “some sort of monetary allocation”.
- B. However, it has long been the practice and interpretation of the legislative branch of the Student Government Association that an Act pertains to all actions, initiatives, and/or programming to be carried out by the Student Government Association, with and without monetary allocation.
- C. As a result of the recent opinion of the Judicial Board, it has now become both a pressing and urgent need to further clarify the legislative actions that rightly fall underneath the category of “Act”.

Section 2. Amendment to the Constitution: **changes in red**

ARTICLE III - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Section 8: Presentation and passage of legislation. Two-thirds of the Senate's voting members shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

A. All legislation of the Senate shall be categorized as follows:

1. Acts of Senate: Acts which authorize or mandate the Executive Branch to begin a new SGA program, **project or initiative, or allocation of the SGA budget**. All Acts of Senate are subject to presidential veto as outlined in Article IV, Section 5, subsection J.

2. Bills of Law: The SGA Budget and amendments to the SGA Code of Laws. All Bills of Law are subject to presidential veto as outlined in Article IV, Section 5, subsection J.

3. Resolutions: Expressions of sentiment of the Senate, which are not subject to presidential veto outlined in Article IV, Section 5, subsection J(3).