

Bill 007

A Bill to Clarify Procedures for Committee Chair Succession

Sponsored by: Senator Bert

Whereas,

Article III, Section 9 of the Senate Bylaws outlines the succession procedure for Committee Chairs, specifying that committees must hold elections to fill vacancies arising from resignation or permanent incapacitation, except in the case of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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The current bylaws do not address scenarios in which a committee is reduced to a single member, creating a gap in the succession process.

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Certain Senate committees, by nature of their size, may become small enough that normal election procedures are impractical or impossible, necessitating a clear succession mechanism to preserve continuity of committee leadership.

Be it enacted that,

The Student Government Association Senate, acting in its official capacity as the representative of the undergraduate student body of The Catholic University of America, hereby changes the Senate Bylaws to read:

Article III, Section 9, Clause 1: "In case of resignation, or permanent incapacitation, of any Committee Chair, the committee from which said Committee Chair is from will hold elections within the committee to elect a new Committee Chair except for the Committee on Rules and Administration. If, due to resignation, vacancy, or permanent incapacitation, there is only one remaining member of any committee, except for the Committee on Rules and Administration, the remaining member shall automatically become Chair."

Agreed to by a vote of _____ yeas to _____ nays on this date: _____ with _____ abstaining and _____ not present.

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