

Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Faculty Senate

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate (the “Bylaws”) presently include a provision (Section IV) that sets forth the voting requirements for amending the rules and regulations of the Faculty Senate (the “Senate”); and

WHEREAS, such provision of the Bylaws requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those senators present and voting at a duly called meeting of the Senate in order to amend the rules and regulations of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, such requirement for amending the rules and regulations of the Senate is overly stringent and impractical; and

WHEREAS, the prior practice of the Senate has been to adopt amendments to the rules and regulations of the Senate by a majority of those senators present and voting at a duly called meeting of the Senate;

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED, that Section IV of the Bylaws shall be amended to provide that the rules and regulations of the Senate may be amended by a majority of those senators present and voting at a duly called meeting of the Senate.

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CURRENT VERSION OF SECTION IV OF THE BYLAWS OF THE SENATE:

Section IV. Changes in Bylaws, Rules and Regulations

The rules and regulations of the Senate may be changed at any regular meeting of the Senate by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided that due notice has been given in the call that the proposed changes in the rules and regulations are to be considered.

(Rev. fall 1988)

PROPOSED REVISION OF SECTION IV OF THE BYLAWS OF THE SENATE:

Section IV. Changes in Bylaws, Rules and Regulations

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The rules and regulations of the Senate may be adopted, amended, or repealed at any duly called meeting of the Senate by an affirmative vote of a majority of those present, provided that due notice has been given of such proposed changes in the rules and regulations.

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