Advisory Opinion (ESB / AO 2013-001)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is the official opinion of the Election Supervisory Board (ESB) that select portions of the Election Code (Code) be modified to afford greater overall readability. Following the final review of the most recently ratified version of the Code, the ESB has identified and reformatted the organizational structure and syntactic elements. These corrections do not alter the meaning or the intention of the Code’s content. That is to say, this modified version of the Code reads the same as the former. Edits affect only organization and readability. Specifically, changes to the Code include:

- addition of a Title Page and a Table of Contents,
- alphabetization of the “Definitions” in Title II, Sec. 2.1 - Sec. 2.20,
- clarification of syntactic ambiguity

Article V clause 5.44 of the Student Government Constitution reads as follows:

5.44 The Election Supervisory Board shall be responsible for creating and amending an Election Code to be submitted to the Assembly for approval by a majority of the Representatives. No election rules may be enacted within four (4) weeks prior to an election.

Because none of the aforementioned changes affect the meaning or intention of the Code’s contents nor enact new election rules, no additional ratification of the Code neither by the Assembly, nor individually by the five entities is necessary.

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