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Correcting the Approval Process for Constitutional Amendments

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## IN THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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### BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT:

**SECTION 9.** Student Government Constitution, Article IX is amended to read as follows:

#### Article IX AMENDMENTS

Sec. 9.1 APPROVAL PROCESS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.  
Amendments to the Student Government Constitution shall undergo the following process in the prescribed order in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System:

- (a) Proposal and approval by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of total sitting representatives of the Student Government Assembly; then,
- (b) Approval by the Dean of Students of The University of Texas at Austin; then,
- (c) Approval by the Vice President of Student Affairs of the University of Texas at Austin; then,
- (d) Ratification of amendments by a simple majority vote of students at the next scheduled Student Government campus-wide election; then,
- (e) Forwarding of the results of that ratification vote and approvals of the Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs to the President of The University of Texas at Austin; then,
- (f) Final approval of amendments by the appropriate Executive Vice Chancellor

of The University of Texas System.

Sec. 9.2 ENACTMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. Upon receiving final approval by the Student Government Assembly, ratification in a student body referendum, and final approvals, all proposed constitutional amendments shall take immediate effect.

Sec. 9.3 RIGHT TO CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE. Students, upon petition of thirty percent (30%) of the total number of valid ballots cast in the most recent general election of Student Government, shall have the right of constitutional initiative. Such amendments shall be presented to the students at the next scheduled election and shall take effect upon final approvals for constitutional amendments outlined within this article.

Sec. 9.4 PUBLIC INSPECTION OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. Any proposed amendment to this Constitution shall be made available for public inspection a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the election. A proposed amendment, together with the parts of the Constitution affected, shall be submitted to the Editor of The Daily Texan at least one (1) week prior to the election.