

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
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TITLE	Constitutional Amendments to Overriding a Veto

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this senate legislation is to amend the threshold needed to override an Executive Cabinet Veto. This removes the near-impossible threshold needed (a unanimous vote) and instead replaces it with a two-thirds majority which is in-line with larger governments like the US legislature and state legislatures. This is a necessity since it creates a more balanced three-branch system, which is both co-equal and allows for checks and balances.

THROUGH STUDENT PETITION OR AN ACT OF THE ASUCR SENATE, AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE V SECTION I IS SCHEDULED FOR A VOTE IN THE ASUCR GENERAL ELECTION,

ARTICLE V: Legislative Branch

SECTION I. Powers of the Legislative Branch

1. The Senate Shall:

- (a) have authority in the supervision, direction and conduct of the affairs, policies and properties of the ASUCR, with the power to delegate such matters to subsidiary bodies.
- (b) promote the welfare and interest of the members of the ASUCR, subject to the limitations enumerated in this Constitution. All Senate actions not enumerated in this Constitution must be carried out through legislation consistent with protocol;
- (c) act as the chief policy-making body and forum for discussion of issues of importance to the ASUCR

- (d) be in consistency with the provisions of this Constitution, enact rules and procedures necessary and proper for their efficient operation and for the general welfare of the ASUCR membership;
- (e) have the authority over and responsibility for:
 - i. all ASUCR revenues and their allocations;
 - ii. maintenance, use and title to all ASUCR property;
 - iii. the development of all legislative policies and regulations necessary for carrying out the duties enumerated in its Constitution and for the smooth and efficient operation of the Association, subject only to the limitations enumerated by this constitution;
 - iv. the power to override an Executive Cabinet veto by a ~~unanimous~~ **two-thirds (2/3)** vote of the Senate when quorum is present.
- (f) set criteria which must be met by various student societies, clubs and organizations registered through Student Life and Leadership Center who are seeking funding by the ASUCR;
- (g) approve rules governing nominations, campaigns and elections for the elected offices of the ASUCR;
- (h) establish and approve the Bylaws of ASUCR and other subordinate organizations of ASUCR (i.e. ASPB);
- (i) create committees as it deems necessary;
- (j) have the power to override actions taken by its subordinate bodies;
- (k) consider matters and enact any legislation required to exercise control of student interests and activities designated to it;
- (l) confirm all appointments to the various committees, boards and senate and officer staff positions as established by this Constitution and the ASUCR Bylaws;
- (m) conduct all votes pertaining to personnel matters by secret ballot.

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Signed Legislation can be found in the ASUCR Office

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