



March 3, 2021

Yellow Jackets,

On February 2, 2021, the Undergraduate House of Representatives voted 22:0:11 in favor of Bill 21U022, a resolution proposing to change the amendment process for the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Government Association. Per the current language of the Constitution, amendments shall become part of the Constitution upon receiving at least two-thirds of votes cast by the Student Body in a special election. This special election will occur March 22, 2021 through March 26, 2021, concurrent with the annual SGA election cycle.

Bill 21U022 proposes that the following amendment to Article VII, Section 2, of the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Government Association be made so that it shall read as:

“Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by a two-thirds vote of the House of Representatives, or by a petition of ten percent of the Student Body directed to the Student Body President. A proposed amendment may be initially ratified by one of the following ways:

- a) By receiving two-thirds of the votes cast in a special election of the student body called by the Student Body President
- b) By receiving three-fourths of the votes cast by members of the Undergraduate House of Representatives**

Any proposed amendment must specify which ratification method is being pursued. Furthermore, the amendment and pursuant ratification method must be publicized to the Undergraduate Student Body in either the Technique or an email to all students at least one week prior to a ratification vote on the amendment. Should the amendment fail to be initially ratified by one method, the amendment itself has failed and subsequent ratification methods may not be pursued. Approval by the Academic Senate, via the Student Activities Committee, shall be necessary for final ratification.”

You can see the full bill on [Jacket Pages](#), using your Georgia Tech credentials to login. You can also read the language of the Constitution as it stands [here](#).

Members of the Executive and Legislative branches are more than willing to answer any questions as well as address any concerns you may have. You can contact us through a variety of different channels including:

- Email sga@gatech.edu at any time.



- Speak to your Representative during their scheduled office hours or by emailing them. Information can be found [here](#).
- Join SGA branch leadership on Friday, March 12, 2021 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM to engage in open dialogue about the proposal and this process. Event link can be found [here](#).
- Utilize the Undergraduate House of Representatives' Open Forum every Tuesday at 7:30pm. During this time, you can express your thoughts directly to the body. The Undergraduate House of Representatives' meetings are being held virtually this year and can be accessed through [this link](#).

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns. We look forward to working with you throughout this process.

In Progress and Service,
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