



The University of Alabama at Birmingham
Student Senate 2025-2026

Extending Timeline for Legislation Bill

The purpose of this Bill is to establish that legislation (Resolutions and Bills) must be proposed at least seven days prior to being voted on by the Student Senate. This change will allow senators ample time to discuss any potential legislation amongst each other as well as with relevant stakeholders including but not limited to the relevant administration and their constituents. This change will also provide the Judicial Branch and the Rules Committee with ample time to discuss the constitutionality of the proposed legislation.

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government Association of the University of Alabama at Birmingham assembled,

Section 1:

§ 301.3 Passage of Bills and Resolutions

§ 301.3.1 All bills and resolutions introduced to the Senate must be presented in the following form:

- (1) All bills and resolutions shall be typed and submitted to the Vice Chairperson and Executive Vice President;
- (2) All bills and resolutions must be titled. Bills and resolutions must be titled in either of the following two manners a. By using the words, "A Bill/Resolution to be Entitled," followed by a word or words indicating the subject matter; b. By using a word or words indicating the subject matter, followed by the word, "Bill" or "Resolution";
- (3) All bills and resolutions shall be numbered consecutively for one year, beginning with the first meeting of the Senate during the summer and terminating at the end of the spring semester of that administration's year. This number shall be placed at the top right corner of every page using "Bill" or "Resolution" followed by the first two letters of the appropriate semester, followed by the bill or resolution number, followed by the last two digits of the appropriate year (i.e. Bill SP-01 - 10);
- (4) All bills and resolutions shall be line-numbered;
- (5) All bills and resolution shall have listed the author, sponsor, and contact, lined respectively, on the last page;

(6) Any research conducted while writing bills and resolutions shall be cited. Citations shall be submitted as an addendum to the legislation. Citations pertaining to specific lines in legislation shall include the corresponding line and section numbers. This addendum shall be titled using the words: "Addendum to Bill," where "Bill" shall be the bill number (i.e. Addendum to Bill SP-01-10). In no way will this addendum be considered part of the legislation, therefore prohibiting any citation, definition, or exposition from being interpreted as law.

(7) All bills and resolutions must be typed and submitted to the Vice Chairperson and Executive Vice President no later than seven business days prior to the next Senate meeting;

§ 301.3.2 A bill shall be defined as a change to the Code of Laws and a resolution shall be defined as a formal expression of support by USGA.

§ 301.3.3 All bills and resolutions must have an author, sponsor, and contact. The author is defined as the writer of the bill or resolution, the sponsor is defined as the USGA Senators who support the bill or resolution, and the contact is defined as the individual relevant to the bill or resolution.

§ 301.3.4 Any person or group can author a bill or resolution (i.e. student, organization, committee, etc.).

§ 301.3.5 All bills and resolutions shall be sponsored by a senator, and only senators may sponsor bills and resolutions.

§ 301.3.6 Any Senate decision pertaining to USGA finances shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Senate in accordance with § 301.5.7

§ 301.3.7 Resolutions cannot be used to allocate money.

§ 301.3.8 In accordance with § 301.5.7, all other bills and resolutions shall require a majority vote of the Senate in special sessions or formal Senate meetings.

§ 301.4 Passage of Bills to the USGA Code of Laws

§ 301.4.1 All bills introduced to the Senate shall be presented in the following form:

~~(1) All bills must be typed and submitted to the Vice Chairperson and Executive Vice President no later than two business days prior to the next Senate meeting;~~

(1) All bills must be typed and submitted to the Vice Chairperson and Executive Vice President no later than seven business days prior to the next Senate meeting;

(2) All bills shall be titled. Bills may be titled in the following manner: By using the words, "A Bill to Amend the USGA Code of Laws," followed by the title number with corresponding section number if applicable;

(3) All bills shall be numbered consecutively for one year, beginning with the fall semester and terminating at the end of the spring semester of that administration's year. This number shall be placed at the top right corner of every page using, "Bill," followed by the first two letters of the appropriate semester, followed by the last two digits of the appropriate year (i.e. Bill FA-02-10);

(4) All bills shall be line-numbered;

(5) All bills shall have listed the author, sponsor, and contact, lined respectively, on the last page;

Bill FA-03-25
Vote: 32 Y; 0 A; 0 N
Rules Committee on: 10/6/25
Passed in Senate: 10/07/25

(6) Any research conducted while writing bills shall be cited. Citations shall be submitted as an addendum to the legislation. Citations pertaining to specific lines in legislation shall include the corresponding line and section numbers. This addendum shall be titled using the words: "Addendum to Bill," where "Bill" shall be the bill number (i.e. Addendum to Bill FA-02-10). In no way will this addendum be considered part of the legislation, therefore prohibiting any citation, definition, or exposition from being interpreted as law.

§ 301.4.2 All bills shall have an author, sponsor, and contact.

§ 301.4.3 Any person or group may author a bill (i.e. student, organization, committee, etc.).

§ 301.4.4 All bills shall be sponsored by a senator.

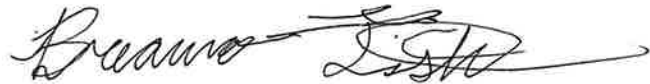
§ 301.4.5 As set forth by § 301.5.8, all other bills shall require a majority vote of the Senate in either special sessions or formal meetings.

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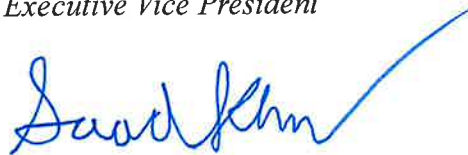
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