

Amendment 1

Senate Resolution 7-2017

Senate Constitution Amendment No. 6

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Resolution

Amending the Senate Constitution to allow for a runoff election in the 2017 Winter Elections

Summary

Currently, the USG Constitution stipulates that the Winter Elections must conclude by the beginning of the winter recess. Given the current elections timeline, it would be impossible for a runoff to occur in the time remaining before winter recess while also following the rules set out in the elections handbook and the Constitution. Therefore, this amendment would allow runoff voting to occur during Winter Recess

Digest

- **Section 1:** This amendment lays out a specific case for the 2017 Presidential election. It allows for this specific election to conduct a runoff during Winter Break.

EXPLANATION—Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter with ~~strikethrough~~ is material to be omitted.

Resolved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government (two-thirds of the Senate concurring),

SECTION 1. Article VIII, Section 804 of the Senate Constitution is amended to read as follows:

§ 803. Election Dates

(a) IN GENERAL.— Subject to subsection (b) and the election rules established under section 802, the Chief Elections Manager shall set the date of each election.

(b) TIME OF ELECTION—*IN GENERAL.*

The following subsection does not apply to the Winter 2017 elections cycle.

(1) SENATOR AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER. The election for each Senator and each Executive Officer shall be in November or December before winter recess.

(2) CLASS OFFICER; U-COUNCILOR.

(A) IN GENERAL. Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B), the election for each Class Officer and each U-Councilor shall be in April.

(B) FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICER. The election for each Freshman Class Officer shall be in the Fall Semester before October 31st.

(c) TIME OF ELECTION—WINTER 2017 EXCEPTION. For the Winter 2017 elections cycle only, the election for each Senator and each Executive Officer shall be in December.

[Art. VII, § C]