

**HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY  
University Senate**

**Resolution to Amend the *Constitution* of the University Senate of HSU  
to Establish an Amendment Procedure**

#20-14/15-CBC – 1/27/15 – First Reading

RESOLVED: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University recommend that the attached proposed amendment to the *Constitution* of the University Senate of HSU be forwarded to the electorate defined in Senate Resolution #18-14/15-AEC for ratification in spring 2015.

*RATIONALE: The amendment process in the Constitution currently tasks the Appointment and Elections Committee (AEC) to “establish procedures for voting on the amendment” that are then approved by the Senate. This amendment establishes a permanent procedure for amendments based on the procedures used in the spring 2014 amendment process.*

*In the spirit of inclusivity of the University Senate, each of the three main constituencies of the Senate comprises the electorate. Each shall have the opportunity to vote on the proposed amendment to the Constitution. This amends the Constitution to establish permanent procedures that, like the University Senate, are inclusive of all constituencies.*

University Senate:

## Attachment to Resolution [##]-14/15-CBC, First Reading

Current *Constitution*:

### 9.0 Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution shall be initiated by a majority vote of the Senate after having been presented at the previous meeting. The Senate shall direct the Appointments and Elections Committee to conduct a vote on all proposed amendments. The committee shall establish procedures for voting on the amendment. These procedures shall be approved prior to the vote by a majority vote of the Senate. An amendment shall be adopted by a simple majority of those voting.

Proposed Changes (additions indicated by underline, removal by strikethrough):

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Proposals to amend ~~Amendments to~~ this *Constitution* shall be initiated by a majority vote of the Senate after having been presented at the previous meeting. ~~The Senate shall direct the Appointments and Elections Committee to conduct a vote on all proposed amendments. The committee shall establish procedures for voting on the amendment.~~ Senate-approved proposals to amend this *Constitution* shall then be forwarded to the General Faculty, Associated Students, and Staff Council for a vote. ~~An amendment~~ Proposed amendments shall be adopted if approved by a simple majority ~~of those voting~~ in a vote of the general faculty and approval by either Associated Students or Staff Council.

Final if approved:

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