

S. #2

To create a Committee on the development of the SGA
Constitution/By-Laws.

IN THE SENATE OF THE
WESTMINSTER CHOIR COLLEGE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 13, 2008

MR. BENESTELLI & MR. GOFF submitted the following bill; which is
being considered and agreed to

A BILL

To create a Committee on the development of the SGA
Constitution/By-Laws.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government*

2 *Association of Westminster Choir College assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE**

4 SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the

5 “Constitution/By-Laws Committee”

6 **SECTION 2: FINDINGS AND PURPOSE**

7 (1) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds the following:

8 (A) The By-Laws of the SGA have not been
9 ratified.

10 (B) The Constitution and By-Laws of the SGA
11 need to be examined, and appropriate action needs to be

1 taken by the Senate to evaluate and ratify the best possible
2 documents for government.

3 (1) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to:

4 (A) Create a committee responsible for examining
5 the existing governing documents of the SGA, and
6 ultimately present these documents for ratification.

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8 **SECTION 3: CREATION OF THE CONSTITUTION/BY-
9 LAWS COMMITTEE.**

10 (1) IN GENERAL.— The Senate of the Student
11 Government Association shall create the Constitution/By-
12 Laws Committee composed of five members and chaired
13 by a senator. The successful running of the SGA depends
14 on the ratification of all of its governing documents. The
15 Committee will evaluate the documents as they are, and
16 consider appropriate changes before presenting these
17 documents for ratification by the Senate.

18 (A) The Chairperson of the Constitution/By-
19 Laws Committee shall also serve as co-chair of the Joint
20 Standing Committee on the Ratification of SGA
21 Documents as outlined by the executive branch.

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23 (B) Committee creation shall commence
24 immediately and will continue until such a time that all
25 governing documents of the SGA have been ratified.

26 (C) Membership. Upon approval of this
27 legislation, the authors shall nominate five persons of
28 diverse viewpoints to serve on the Constitution/By-Laws

1 Committee. Senate shall consider these nominations and
2 vote immediately following discussion.

3 (D) Exclusion. No member of the
4 Constitution/By-Laws Committee may serve at the same
5 time on the Executive Special Interest Task Force on the
6 SGA Constitution/By-Laws.

7 (E) Removal. The Constitution/By-Laws
8 Committee, upon majority vote, may eject any member
9 from the committee for any reason.

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11 **SECTION 4: ENACTMENT**

12 The actions set forth in this Act shall commence on
13 October 13, 2008.