

Memorandum

To: Senate

From: Steering

Re: Amendment to Bylaws: Ad Hoc Committees

Date: 7/17/2023

The Senate executive officers proposes an amendment to the bylaws to clarify that Senate is able to appoint ad hoc committees to address short-term issues. We propose the revision below:

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