

Bill 5-08-F



A Resolution to Amend the SGA MTSU By-Laws Parliamentarian Position

Whereas: There is a need for Parliamentarian order within the Senate, and

Whereas: The current Constitutional Position of Parliamentarian is not filled, and

Whereas: A Senator is currently barred from serving as a Senator and fulfilling the role of Parliamentarian

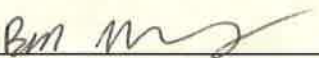
THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 71ST SGA SENATE THAT:

Section 1: Article III Section 5 on the By Laws of the Middle Tennessee State University Student Government to:

Strike the phrase "and shall not be Senator"

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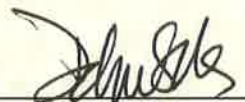
Senator Richardson



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RE: SGA Bill 5-08-F

DATE: December 15, 2008

Currently, an individual who serves as a senator in the Student Government Association is prohibited from serving, concurrently, as the Senate Parliamentarian. The attached legislation requests that this restriction be deleted from the Senate By-Laws.

I trust that the Senate has thoroughly discussed the proposed revision to the Senate By-Laws, particularly as it relates to "conflicts of interest." For example, anytime a senator, who also serves as Parliamentarian, has a personal interest in a bill/resolution, a conflict of interest exists. I would encourage the Speaker of the Senate to always consider an appointment outside the Senate to fill this important position. If all options have been exhausted, an appointment from within the Senate may then be appropriate. With that said, I am in support of the legislation.

c: Ms. Sondra Wilson
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