



Unanimous Opinion By Councilor Carmichael

**JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATED  
STUDENTS OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY**

Zachary Kowash, ASOSU Vice President

INQUIRY TO THE ASOSU JUDICIAL COUNCIL  
(No. 24.036.i)

[July 14, 2024]

On June 24, 2024, Zachary Kowash, ASOSU Vice President, brought forth an inquiry before the Judicial Council pertaining to Appendix A, Rule V, Section D, Subsection d(i) of the ASOSU Statutes. He is inquiring as to whether the Student Government Committee is required to review legislation within its purview according to §D(d)i before being introduced on the Senate floor.

The Council has identified the question of the inquiry as follows:

*Does Appendix A contain a timeline requiring a review of bills within the purview of the Student Government Committee by the committee in relation to the time at which the bills are introduced on the Senate floor?*

Appendix A Rule V §D(d)i says:

- i. The Student Government Committee shall:
  1. Consult with the ASOSU Records Officers, where possible, to ensure the continuity and recording of standing changes to the governing documents of the ASOSU, and the availability and knowledge thereof within the Senate.
  2. Review all bills dealing directly with ASOSU structure, policies, and Senate business.
  3. Review and make necessary revisions to the Constitution and Statutes on a yearly basis. When necessary, the Committee shall present revisions to the Constitution and Statutes to the ASOSU Senate, for formal approval.

It is the opinion of the Council that the Student Government Committee must review all bills within its purview to the extent outlined in Appendix A Rule V §D(d)i. However, Appendix A does not specify whether this review must take place prior to or following the legislation's introduction on the Senate floor. Therefore, the Council will default this requirement, leaving the timeline at the discretion of the Senate.