

**CA008 - 0809**

10 **AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE**  
20 **CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

30 FOR the purpose of expanding Maryland Student Legislature membership by amending the Constitution Maryland  
40 Student Legislature to allow participation by graduate students.

50 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments:

60 Article IV: Individual Membership  
70 Section II  
80 Maryland Student Legislature Constitution

90 Article V: Delegation Membership  
100 Section II  
110 Maryland Student Legislature Constitution

120 **Article IV: Individual Membership**

130 Section II: Regular Membership

140 A. All persons enrolled and in good standing as a full or part-time ~~undergraduate~~ student at an accredited  
150 institution of higher education within the State of Maryland WITH AN UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM  
160 shall be eligible for Regular membership.

170 B. Persons eligible for Regular membership must form or be registered with an official Delegation of  
180 the Maryland Student Legislature at the institution which they are presently enrolled, provided that  
190 there is more than one other person at the institution who wishes to be a Regular member.

200 C. Regular members shall have all rights and privileges to speak and vote in any forum of the MSL  
210 except for the meetings of the Board of Directors, and unless otherwise established herein and  
220 without prejudice to the status of their delegation.

230 D. Regular membership shall terminate when a person ceases to be enrolled at an institution of higher  
240 education within the State of Maryland.

250 E. Regular members shall be certified for their eligibility to be a Regular Member by the institution in  
260 which they are enrolled to the Secretary of State through their Delegation Chairperson.

270 F. Once certified by the Delegation Chairperson to the Secretary of State as a Regular member, such  
280 member shall be referred to as "Delegate" in all forums unless such title is not appropriate due to a  
290 higher position within the organization, in which case they shall be referred to by such title as may  
300 be appropriate.

310 **Article V: Delegation Membership**

320 Section II: Institutions wishing to form a delegation must complete the following:

330 A. Affiliate with and comprise itself of all interested students of the institution who adhere to the  
340 criteria, rules and requirements set forth by the Delegation.

350 B. CONTAIN AT LEAST ONE UNDERGRADUATE REGULAR MEMBER IN ITS DELEGATION.

360 ~~B-~~ C. Register itself, its officers and all members eligible and wishing to be granted Regular membership.

370 ~~C-~~ D. Designate a member of the faculty or staff at the institution to serve as an advisor to the Delegation.

380 ~~D-~~ E. Pay the delegation fee.

390 ~~E~~. F. Create and file with the Secretary of State a delegation constitution.

400 **MANDATES:**

410 Amanda Arkwright, Governor of the Maryland Student Legislature

420 Jessica Curtis, Lieutenant Governor of the Maryland Student Legislature

430 Becky Jones, Attorney General of the Maryland Student Legislature

440 Michelle Santos, Secretary of State of the Maryland Student Legislature

450 Matt Emery, Speaker of the Assembly of the Maryland Student Legislature

460 Kathleen Gipprich, Comptroller of the Maryland Student Legislature

470 Brian Griffiths, et al., Board of Directors of the Maryland Student Legislature

480 Incoming members of the 2009-2010 Council of State

**SPONSOR:**

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