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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO.870309
SENATE BILL NO. GS12-23

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT OF LEGISLATION ESTABLISHING A
REFERENDUM TO AMEND THE UOSA
CONSTITUTION TO CHANGE UOSA PRESIDENT
AND VICE PRESIDENT ELECTIONS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the More Effective Executive Branch Act.

Section 2: The UOSA Constitutional Amendment proposed herein shall be known and may be cited as the Fall 2013 Elections Amendment.

Section 3: The purpose of this amendment is to create and establish a procedure for the UOSA President and Vice President Elections, in order to have a more effective term served by the Executive Branch President and Vice President.

Section 4: The Fall 2013 Elections Amendment is hereby proposed by the Legislature. Said Amendment shall read as follows:

Amend Article IX Section1 of the UOSA Constitution to read:

The executive power of the UOSA shall be vested in a Student President. There shall also be a Student Vice President. Their terms shall begin in the spring fall semester one week after the validation of election. The Student President and Vice President shall be popularly elected together by majority vote of the ballots cast in an election for that purpose. In such a case that no ticket shall receive a majority, the two tickets having receiving the greatest number of votes shall stand in a run-off election no later than one week after the primary election, the ticket receiving a majority being elected.
Amend Section 2.4 of the UOSA Constitution as follows:

Should the vacancy of the office of Student Vice President occur before the fall-spring general election, the Vice President appointee shall be placed on the fall-spring ballot for approval by the student electorate.

Amend Article VI Section 2 of the UOSA Constitution as follows:

The Campus Activities Council shall be headed by an elected Chair popularly elected by majority vote of the ballots cast in an election for that purpose. The election for chair shall coincide with the election for the UOSA President, as shall the term of office for the chair. The Legislative Branch has the power and authority to impeach and remove from office the chair of the Campus Activities Council. The Campus Activities Council shall also be subject to duly passed legislative acts of the UOSA.

Section 5: A referendum is hereby established presenting the Fall 2013 Elections Amendment for ratification. Said referendum shall be on the ballot of the Fall 2012 general Election.

Section 6: The ballot for said referendum shall be written by the UOSA General Counsel by Monday, September 3, 2012.

Section 7: Said referendum shall be voted on at all polling places designated by the current Election Chair and other legislation pertaining to elections.

Section 8: Upon approval by the student body and the Board of Regents, the UOSA President, Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, Chair of Graduate Student Senate and Chair of the Campus Activities Council shall amend the UOSA Code Annotated elections provisions in conformity with this referendum.

Section 9: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the UOSA Constitution.

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Action taken by Congress: Passed by Roll Call Vote 27-1-1

Verified by Chair of Congress: _______________________________ Date:________
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Approved by UOSA President: _____________________________ Date: ______