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University of Oklahoma Student Government Association

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 910305
SENATE BILL NO. GS14-10

AS INTRODUCED
An act establishing a proposed amendment to succession procedure for the Office of the
President and Vice President; providing for short title; and providing for an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Carlough’s Mark on Campus” Act of
2014.

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act shall be to establish a proposed constitutional
amendment to create and establish procedures for the line of succession to the office of SGA
President and Vice President.

Section 3: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions
indicated with an underline.

Section 4: AMENDATORY The SGA Constitution enclosed herein is amended as indicated.

Section 5: The constitutional amendment shall become effective immediately upon passage by the
University of Oklahoma Board of Regents, while in compliance with Regents policy and the
Constitution of the Student Government Association

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Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Bourland, second by Representative Petersen
Action taken by Congress: Passed by consent
Verified by Chair of Congress [Signature] Date: 4/1/2014

Submitted on a Motion by: Senator Vidourek, second by Senator Cairns
Action taken by Senate: Passed by unanimous consent
Verified by Chair of Senate

Approved by SGA President:

Date: 3/31/14

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Referendum Regarding
SGA President and Vice President Succession
The ballot for the referendum shall read as follows:

The stated purpose of this proposed amendment is to create and establish procedures for the line of succession to the Student Government Association (SGA) President and Vice President and bring the Constitution into compliance with other elements of the elections process. The subsequent sections of the SGA Constitution would be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV: Executive Branch
Section 1:

The executive power of the SGA shall be vested in a Student President. There shall also be a Student Vice President. Their terms shall begin in the spring 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.

Section 2:

(1) In the case of removal or impeachment of the Student President from office, resignation from office, his or her inability to discharge the powers and duties of the office, or shall otherwise no longer be in compliance with the qualifications for president, those powers and duties the Office of the President shall devolve to the Vice President, including but not limited to the duties, responsibilities, powers, title, and compensation of the SGA President, and consequently creating a vacancy in the Office of the Vice President.

(2) In the case of the removal or impeachment of the Student Vice President from office, resignation from office, his or her inability to discharge the powers and duties of the office, or no longer fulfill the qualifications to be Vice President, the office shall be filled by Student Presidential appointment with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch.

(3) Upon the vacancy of the office of Student Vice President, applications for the office shall be made available by the Student President. The application period shall extend for no less than five school days and shall be advertised in the student newspaper for the duration of the application period.

(4) 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.

(5) In the case of the removal or impeachment of both the Student Vice President and the Student President from office, resignation from offices, or his or her inability to discharge the powers and duties of the offices, the Office of the President shall devolve to the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, including but not limited to the duties, responsibilities, powers, and compensation of the SGA President, and consequently leaving a vacancy in the Office of the Vice President to be filled in accordance with Section 2 part 3.

(6) In the event that the Office of the President becomes vacant as outlined in Section 1 of this Constitution and the Vice President is not qualified to assume the Office of President, then
the Office of the President shall devolve to the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, including but not limited to the duties, responsibilities, powers, and compensation of the SGA President.

(7) An Act of Legislation may establish further procedures for the line of succession beyond that found in this Constitution.