

# UNIVERSITY OF IOWA GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT

17th Session GPSG D.B. #13

Sponsor: Cabinet Director Airiana Mohr

GPSG Action: Passed

### A BILL

This bill serves to update the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws in accordance with the approved changes to the Governing Documents for the Constitution and Bylaws Review and Amendments (CoBRA) Committee.

## **Section 1: Short Title**

This bill may be titled as "GPSG Constitution and Bylaws CoBRA Update."

## **Section 2: Discussion**

WHEREAS, During the 2022-2023 administration, GPSG's Delegates approved the creation of the Constitution and Bylaws Review and Amendments (CoBRA) Committee. The intention was that this committee would review the governing documents for GPSG annually.

**WHEREAS**, The 2024-2025 GPSG Delegates approved a number of changes to the CoBRA Governing Documents which now conflict with the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws.

WHEREAS, Amendments to the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws require a two-thirds (2/3) majority approval. Amendments must be introduced at one meeting and then voted on at a secondary meeting.

## **Section 3: Action**

**Resolved**, the following line will be added to the end of Article II Section 3 of the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws

The Vice President shall serve as a co-chair chair for the Constitution and Bylaws Review Committee (CoBRA) as outlined in Art. VII Section 1 and the CoBRA Charter and Bylaws.

**Resolved**, the following line will be added to the end of Article II Section 4 of the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws

The Cabinet Director shall serve as a co-chair chair for the Constitution and Bylaws Review Committee (CoBRA) as outlined in Art. VII Section 1 and the CoBRA Charter and Bylaws.

**Resolved**, the following change will be made to Article IV of the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws.

Original Language: Constitution and Bylaws Review and Amendments (CoBRA) Committee. The CoBRA Committee, led by the GPSG President, shall meet regularly to review and to discuss recommendations for amendments to the Constitution.

New Language: Constitution and Bylaws Review and Amendments (CoBRA) Committee. The CoBRA Committee, co-led by the GPSG Cabinet Director and Vice President, shall meet at minimum of every two academic years to review and to discuss recommendations for amendments to the Governing Documents.

**Resolved**, the following line will be added to of Article VII of the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws

The CoBRA Committee will be responsible for reviewing this document at a minimum of every two years and will present recommended changes as legislation.

*Therefore, be it Resolved,* that upon a two-thirds vote by the delegates, the above additions will become part of the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws, superseding all previous documents.

## **Section 4: Enactment**

**THEREFORE**, be it enacted by the University of Iowa Graduate and Professional Student Government upon the signature of the President.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:



Cabinet Director, Airiana Mohr

APPROVED:

President, Khyathi Gadag

April 22, 2025