

**ILLINOIS STATE
UNIVERSITY**

**BOARD OF
TRUSTEES**

**Resolution No. 2025.10/32
Approval of Academic Senate
Proposal to Amend Article VI,
Legislation and By-Laws
Amendments of the ISU
Constitution**

Resolution

Whereas, the Illinois State University Academic Senate voted unanimously on April 9, 2025, to revise a portion of Article VI of the Illinois State University Constitution.

Whereas, the Senate submitted its proposed amendment to the President for review and concurrence;

Whereas, the proposed amendment to the Illinois State University Constitution would adopt revisions to Article VI (1)(B), as reflected in Attachment A. After amendment, Article VI(1)(B) shall read:

B. By-Laws

By-Laws are defined as rules and regulations governing the structure, procedures, and functions of a University organization. (By-Laws called for in this Constitution, including the By-Laws of the Academic Senate, the Graduate School, and each college of the University, shall be approved by the Academic Senate and the President.) By-Laws of the administrative/professional and civil service staff councils, including changes, shall be approved by the President of the University.

Whereas, the President has reviewed the amendment and recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed changes to Article VI(1)(B) of the Illinois State University Constitution to reflect the current practice and policy of Illinois State University.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board approves the proposed amendment to Article VI(1)(B) of the Illinois State University Constitution and such amendment shall become part of the Illinois State University Constitution.

Board Action on:	_____	Postpone:	_____
Motion by:	_____	Amend:	_____
Second by:	_____	Disapprove:	_____
Vote:	Yeas: _____ Nays: _____	Approve:	_____

ATTEST: Board Action, October 17, 2025

Secretary / Chairperson

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The Illinois State University Academic Senate unanimously voted to pass Attachment A, a proposed amendment to Article VI(1)(B) of the Illinois State University Constitution (“Constitution”) at the Senate’s April 9, 2025, session. Article VI is the Legislation and By-Laws Amendments section of the Constitution. The section includes provisions to establish the jurisdiction of the Academic Senate to approve bylaws for the Academic Senate, the Graduate School, and each college of the University. The proposed changes are designed to clarify the inclusion of the Graduate School and the exclusion of individual schools in each college from under the Academic Senate’s jurisdiction. A copy of the proposed changes reflecting the updates to the Constitution is attached as Attachment A.

The Academic Senate proposal to amend the Article VI of the Illinois State University Constitution includes the following proposed edits:

1. The Academic Senate proposes to amend Article VI (1)(B) - By-Laws, to include reference to the Graduate School and remove the individual schools in each college from the list of By-Laws to be approved by the Academic Senate and President.

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Legislation and By-Laws Amendments

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