

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS-08

SENATE BILL NO. GS08-19

AS INTRODUCED

An act amending the Standing Rules of Order for the Graduate Student Senate.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT SENATE:

- Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the Session Length Act of 2008 for the Senate's Standing Rules of Order.
- Section 2:** PURPOSE: The purpose of this Act is to rescind the rule that states the Senate must adjourn after one hour from the Call to Order unless time is extended by a vote;
- Section 3:** Whereas this rule has become a hindrance to the functionality of the Senate as a part of UOSA by limiting the amount of business that can be done and;
- Section 4:** Whereas any Senator may motion to adjourn without the use of this rule;
- Section 5:** The Graduate Student Senate Standing Rules of Order shall be amended by removing the stricken text and re-numbering the sections under Rule 2 as follows:

RULE 2: Senate Meetings

- ~~Section 1. The Senate shall adjourn from all Meetings, except Committee Meetings, exactly one hour after the Call to Order unless adjournment occurs earlier.~~
- ~~A. The Senate may, from time to time, extend a Meeting by suspending these Rules.~~
- ~~B. The Chair shall provide a ten-minute warning before the one-hour adjournment time occurs.~~
- Section 1. Order of Business in the Meetings of the Senate, except Committee Meetings, shall be conducted in the following order:

Section 6: This act shall become effective immediately upon passage in accordance with the University of Oklahoma Student Association Graduate Student Senate bylaws.

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Submitted on a Motion by: Senator Adkins (27), seconded by Senator Goepfert (3)

Action taken by Senate: Passed by placard vote: 28-13-7

Verified by Chair: Rebecca Date: 4/3/08