

Current R&P Text

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*Proposed R&P Text (Additions in **bold red**, deletions are ~~strikethrough~~)*

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Justification

Current R&P limits bringing a petition/referendum to the Senate for consideration to voting members of the faculty which can be interpreted to be university faculty (tenured and tenure track) only. This change makes it clear that any faculty member including term faculty (research, teaching, and professors of practice) may bring a petition/referendum to the Senate for consideration.