

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2024-1351

TITLE: Stop the Stall Act Volume 1 – Rules and Procedures Revision

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**RULE IX
PUBLIC COMMENT**

(AMENDED: 2011-116, 2018-101, 2018-115, 2018-125, 2019-1104, 2020-1064, 2021-1003, 2021-1051, 2023-153, 2023-189)

- 1. Rights to Comment:**
 - a. Each member of the Student Body, excluding current student senators, may speak in public comment.
 - b. Students may sign-up for public comment by submitting an electronic request that specifies the matter on which the student wishes to speak to the Senate President and Senate Secretary by 5:00 PM ET the day of the meeting of the Senate.
 - c. Students must be present in the Senate chambers to receive public comment time.

- 2. Procedure:**
 - a. Public comment must be held before any pending legislation or nominations are heard.
 - b. Each student signed up for public comment must have three five minutes to speak.
 - c. Students may only yield cede their speaking time to the Chair of the Senate another student that is also signed up for public comment who has not already spoken.
 - d. The student receiving the time may not receive more than six minutes of public comment time in total.
 - e. If a student does not exhaust their speaking time, it will automatically be yielded to the Chair of the Senate.
 - f. The Senate is prohibited from extending or limiting the speaking time of any speaker.
 - g. Students may reserve their speaking time once during public comment, causing their name to be passed on the list.

- h. Speakers must direct all comments to the Chair of the Senate. Any speaker that directs a comment at an individual other than the Chair of the Senate will be issued a warning for disruptive conduct. A speaker will automatically yield their time to the chair if they receive more than two warnings.
- i. Speakers may project a presentation or other digital media during public comment. All materials projected must be submitted to the Senate President and Senate Secretary along with the electronic request to speak by 5:00 PM ET the day of the meeting of the Senate.



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Monish Vijayaraghavan
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Date