

**STUDENT SENATE BILL 2025-1150**

**TITLE: Public Comment Limitation Clarity Act - RULES AND PROCEDURES  
REVISIONS**

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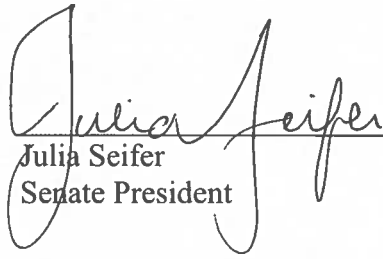
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**RULE IX  
PUBLIC COMMENT**

(AMENDED: 2011-116, 2018-101, 2018-115, 2018-125, 2019-138, 2020-1064, 2021-104,  
2021-130, 2023-153, 2023-189, 2024-146, 2024-222, 2024-233)

**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~~ be afforded a maximum of three minutes to speak.
- c. Students may cede their speaking time to 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. If a student is not present in the chamber when their name is called, the name of the student will be automatically reserved once.
- i. 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.
- j. 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 EST or the scheduled start of the Senate if the meeting is scheduled before 5:00 PM EST, on the day of the meeting of the Senate.

  
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7/23/25  
Date