**University of Colorado Student Government**

**Legislative Council**

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**A Bill to Update Leg Council Bylaws
to allow discussion on first reading**

**Bill History**

Currently, the Legislative Council Bylaws state that all bills presented on first reading can be questioned by council, but not discussed. The bills can be moved to second reading, moved to refer to committee, moved to table, or moved to pass as an emergency act. If they are moved to second reading, they belong to the council and therefore the author can no longer change content of the bill. This means that bills are passed without discussion, and council cannot positively improve a bill before sending it to second reading.

**Bill Summary**

This bill amends the Legislative Council Bylaws so council can discuss the bill on first reading, and allows amendment of the bill to address the council’s interests.

**Whereas**, Legislative Council has not been operating accordingly to the bylaws;

**Whereas,** Legislative Council sees a need for more flexibility in dealing with bills on first reading;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED**:

**Section 1:** This bill will amend Article 3.i.IV.1 to remove the sentence "After the questioning has ended the following motions are in order:" and replace it by, "After the questioning has ended, the President shall recognize members who wish speak on the legislation. Each speaker may yield to the floor to answer questions from the other members. After the discussion has ended, the following motions are in order:"

**Section 2:** Section 1 shall be followed by Article 3.i.IV.1.a-d.
 **Section 3:** This bill shall take effect upon passage by the Legislative Council and upon either obtaining the signatures of two Tri-Executives of the lapse of six days without action by the Tri-Executives.

**Vote Count**

**10/18/2012 Passed special order Acclamation**

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