

To the Student Court,

This is a formal complaint over election rules dictated by the Student Court. The Student Court currently has as its policy 60 days before an election that a referendum must be turned in to the Student Court. That being said, since the Court has switched to an electronic system, I would like the time to be shortened to 15 days to allow for referendums to be placed on the ballot. This is in response to the Smoking Referendum that was rejected on account that it was past the due date for the Spring election. The reason for the delay was because the previous chief justice resigned, leaving it open, the Secretary of Health and Safety was unaware of when exactly elections were going to be held and the only time a meeting with enough time to pass the referendum was too late but went along with it in hopes of placing it on the ballot. I realize that the Court has the right to reject this notion; however, this policy is something students were interested in. Several forums were held and meetings were held, Senate was notified of the various workings behind the scenes and sent us positive feed back. Never have I heard any complaints about the smoking referendum being vague or wrong. This is not the place of the Court to validate the reasoning of why a referendum is needed however, I would like the Court to allow additional time to allow this referendum to be debated before Senate, and should it pass, be sent to the Student Court to be placed on the ballot for Spring elections.

Very Respectfully,

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