

**Associated Student Government**

University of Arkansas

*ASG Joint Bill 9*

*2016-2017*

**An Act to Create the Associated Students Supreme Constitution and the Graduate-Professional Student Congress**

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Whereas, graduate-professional students first gained representation in the Associated Student Government Senate in 2004, passed the Graduate Student Congress in 2012, and since 2014 have served in the GSC; and

Whereas, 2017-2018 GSC Resolution 6 states that “the Graduate Student Congress of the University of Arkansas supports the creation of an independent student government for graduate-professional students, and an end to graduate-professional student participation in the organization known as “ASG””; then

**Be it therefore enacted:** this act shall establish the attached Associated Students Supreme Constitution **(see Appendix I)**; and

**Be it further enacted:** following Article VI, Section 2 of Appendix I, the Associated Students Supreme Constitution shall go into effect Dead Day, May 4, 2018; and

**Be it further enacted:** that the referendum to approve the Associated Students Supreme Constitution will coincide with the Fall 2017 Vacancy Election. The text of the referendum shall read:

“Do you support creating the Associated Students Supreme Constitution and the Graduate-Professional Student Congress?”

**Appendix**

1. **Associated Students Supreme Constitution**
2. **April 20, 2017 Letter from Graduate School Deans**

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Amendments:

Senate Vote Count: Aye Nay Abstentions

GSC Vote Count: Aye Nay Abstentions

Legislation Status: Passed Failed Other

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Scout Johnson, ASG GSC Speaker Date

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Will Watkins, ASG Chair of Senate Date

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Connor Flocks, ASG President Date