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Judicial Review Act

Whereas, the threshold is too high for a complaint to be heard before the SGA Supreme Court;

Whereas, the U.S. Supreme Court uses a rule of four, in order for a case to be granted a writ of certiorari;

Whereas, the reasoning for the rule of four is to prevent the majority of the Court from controlling the Court's docket;

Whereas, the 'rule of four' is a rule devised by the U.S. Supreme Court to practically determine which case is of review; Therefore be it enacted by the 55th Senate of the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

The following section of Title V, Article 3, Section 1, and Clause 6 of the University of Houston Student Government Association Bylaw be amended to read:

"The Chief Justice has the discretion to decide whether or not the court will hear a complaint in the form of a declaratory judgement, explaining why the complaint will not be heard by the full court. If four (4) Justices vote to hear the case, the complaint will move forward to a full hearing before the Court. "

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