2013 TRANSPARENCY IN VOTING ACT

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<u>Summary:</u> Removes absentee voting provisions from the bylaws in an effort to make voting more equitable and transparent.

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An Act to make GPSO Assembly voting more transparent

Be it enacted by the Assembly of the Graduate and Professional Student Organization,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the "2013 Transparency in Voting Act."

SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS

- 1. Article III, Section 2, Part 1of the Bylaws shall be amended to read as follows:
 - 1. Each voting Representative may cast one (1) vote on any agenda item. All agenda items, unless otherwise specified, shall require a simple majority of votes cast to be approved. Agenda items shall be addressed through a motion floored by at least one Representative, and seconded by one additional Representative present
- 2. Article III, Section 2, Parts 2 and 3 of the Bylaws shall be stricken, with the remaining parts renumbered accordingly.
- 3. The new Article III, Section 2, Part 2 shall be amended to read as follows:
 - 1. Representatives are strongly encouraged to find proxies to represent them at all meetings where they know that they will be absent. Proxies have the same voting rights as the person they represent. Proxies must clearly declare themselves as the proxy for their Representative when signing the attendance sheet at the beginning of the Assembly meeting.

SECTION 3. ENACTMENT

BS 11	Nov. 1, 2013
GPSO President	Date

1. This Act shall take effect immediately following the enactment of this Act.