UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE

University Statutes and Senate Procedures
(Final; Action)

SP.11.03  Revision to the Bylaws, Part B, Paragraph 6 – Committee on Committees Term of Office

BACKGROUND
The existing Bylaws, Part B(6), provide that the Senate Committee on Committees starts its term at the end of the Senate year rather than the beginning of the academic year. While this allows the Committee on Committees to meet over the summer when necessary, it means that new members of the Committee on Committees, who may also be new to the Senate, are expected to recommend Senate members and other faculty to positions on important campus-level committees, such as search committees. The Committee on Committees has asked that its members start their terms at the beginning of the academic year, as other Senate committee members do, so that issues that arise over the summer could be addressed by committee members who have served for at least a full academic year.

RECOMMENDATIONS
The Senate Committee on University Statutes and Senate Procedures and the Senate Committee on Committees recommend approval of the following revisions to the Bylaws. Text to be deleted is indicated in [square brackets] and text to be added is underscored.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS, PART B

6. Unless otherwise provided herein or by the Senate at the time of election, faculty and academic professional members of standing committees shall be elected for terms of two years, about half being elected each year, and student and other members shall be elected for terms of one year. Terms of Executive Committee and other committee members[, except the Committee on Committees,] shall begin on the first day of the academic year following election. [The term of the Committee on Committees shall begin immediately after completion of the last regularly scheduled Spring session of the old Senate.] The term of service for a member of an ad hoc committee shall begin upon election and continue until the individual is replaced or recalled or until the committee is discharged. Both senators and non-senators may be reelected to membership.