

**AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2017  
RESOLUTION: A1**

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SUBJECT: Process of Chartering Chapters

TYPE: Resolution of Constitution & Bylaws

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1 WHEREAS schools that are seeking to submit their chapter charter prior to each year's national  
2 convention to receive chapter approval by the BOT and ratification by the HOD (which only  
3 convenes once per year at the national convention), and;

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5 WHEREAS many times potential chapters miss the deadline in order to become a chapter, and;

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7 WHEREAS chapters that miss the deadline must wait until the following year's convention to be  
8 ratified as a chapter;

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10 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Constitution and Bylaws, Article IV, Section II  
11 (p.5) be amended to read:

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13 A charter shall be granted to the petitioning chapter upon approval of the Board of Trustees and  
14 ~~subject to ratification by a simple majority vote at the House of Delegates~~ and ratification by the  
15 Board of Trustees at any point during the year. This is to prevent a chapter from having to wait to  
16 be ratified during convention by the HOD, which only convenes once per year.

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18 Fiscal note: None