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Legislation challenges validity of Student Congress bills

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A Student Congress representative has introduced legislation to nullify all bills passed by the 68th congress Wednesday because the Student Constitution states that the old congress members may serve only until their successors are elected.

Since the 69th congress had already been elected Wednesday when the 68th congress passed three bills, Guy Lucas (Dist. 19) said Monday that the bills are invalid.

Lucas' proposed legislation involves a clause in the Student Constitution that states that congress

members "shall serve one year and until their successor is elected."

"The issue is that there was an illegal congress," Lucas said Monday. "Only one (congress) had the authority (to pass bills)."

The three bills proposed by Lucas would:

- invalidate bills passed by the 68th congress Wednesday during its last meeting.

- change the section of the Student Constitution that reads "until the successor is elected" to read "until the successor is inaugurated."

- add a clause to the Student Constitution preventing an inaugurated student body president from

servicing on an inaugurated congress.

The 68th congress passed bills after their successors had been inaugurated because it needed to finish old business, Jaye Sitton, speaker of the 68th congress, said Monday.

"Obviously there's some room for interpretation in the constitution," she said. "Transition (to a new congress) is difficult without (the old) student congress."

The word "election" needs to be more clearly defined in the constitutional clause, Sitton said. "The constitution can and has been interpreted to mean different things to different people.

"To be safe, I think the new congress should pass the (68th congress) bills and then establish better transition procedures in the constitution and by-laws," she said.

The tradition of allowing the outgoing congress to finish old business is also responsible for the confusion, Rob Friedman (Dist. 16), speaker of the 69th congress, said Monday.

"It's been done every single year," he said. "The old congress finishes any old business that it has pending. We (the 68th congress) would have gotten it done earlier if we thought it was necessary."

But Friedman said following the constitution is more important than

following tradition. "I would imagine that everything we (the 68th congress) did (Wednesday) is non-binding," he said.

Jody Beasley (Dist. 16), finance officer of the 68th congress, disagreed. Since "elected" is not clearly defined in the constitution, he said, the congress' action Wednesday is still valid.

"It's not obvious what (the clause) means, but it's obvious what it says," Beasley said. "I think it means (old congress members can serve) until the new congress is in place, and I think that means until the old congress is done."

A literal interpretation of the

"elected" clause could have negative results for the student body, Beasley said. "Does that mean that if someone in my district isn't elected, I serve until someone else is elected? That's ridiculous."

Lucas said the definition of "elected" is irrelevant.

"The most extreme definition of 'elected' would be official results," he said. "The new congress members were legally elected. The constitution itself is the problem. Another problem is that the Student Congress didn't follow the constitution."

Ignorance of the constitution has

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Leighann Evans (left) and Lisa Royal will be living in Spencer Residence Hall again next year, thanks to the lottery

High housing hopes attained and dashed

By KRISTEN GARDNER
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Elizabeth Steelman and Tracy Lindsey were nervous Monday afternoon. Concerned about their chances of getting back into Spencer Residence Hall, they waited for their names to be pulled from the revolving barrel in Spencer's lobby.

"Our chances are somewhere around 86 percent, but that doesn't help any, because I'm still nervous," Steelman, a sophomore, said.

But Kendra Tate wasn't. A junior, she waited calmly to find out if she would get back into Spencer for her final year at

UNC. "So far I've been lucky all three years," she said.

Monday's annual housing lottery drew mixed reactions from its participants, but most students agreed: the lottery system may be fair, but they don't like it.

"I think the system's good, but I just don't like it," said Derhonda Thomas, a junior who was successful in Spencer's lottery. "It's too stressful. I don't like stress."

Anne Presnell, area director for Cobb and Joyner residence halls, said this is the most difficult time of the year for most residents.

Freshman Karin Heath agreed. "It's scary," she said. "You know it's coming, and all you can do

is sit there and wonder."

Students should check out alternatives, Presnell said. Students who are unsuccessful in the lottery can rent an apartment, live in Granville Towers or place their names on a waiting list so they can be assigned rooms as space becomes available, she said.

And students should also be aware of the appeal process of the University Housing department, said Vernon Wall, area director for Hinton James Residence Hall. If students who must live on campus for financial or other reasons are closed out of their residence halls, they should consult their area directors, he said.

But while the lottery causes anxious moments, most students agree that the system is fair. "As much as I don't like it, this is probably the fairest way to do it," Steelman said.

But some students said the Department of University Housing should provide more stability for on-campus residents.

"I don't think it's fair at all," said Laura Morgan, a sophomore who was closed out of Alderman Residence Hall. "I think they could do it far better. I don't see how they can shake us up like they do. As much as we pay them, they could give us a little more security in our housing."

CGLA funds opposed by group letter

By JO FLEISCHER
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In a letter sent to Chancellor Christopher Fordham Monday, a group of concerned students threatened to stop paying student fees if any portion of their money continues to be given to the Carolina Gay and Lesbian Association.

The letter, signed by eight UNC students, said the CGLA promotes a lifestyle "which is to us as Christians ... both perverted and immoral."

"For this reason," the letter continued, "we are requesting an immediate and full refund of this year's Student Activities Fees." The letter also said the signers will refuse to pay student fees in the future until they are assured their money won't go to the CGLA.

Keith Poston, who signed the letter, said the group — which does not yet have a name — is taking its stand on moral grounds. As born-again Christians, the signers object to homosexuality, he said.

The CGLA, Poston said, is unlike other student organizations because "it smacks people's religion in the face." The group also promotes behavior which is illegal under North Carolina's sodomy law, he said.

Fordham could not be reached for comment Monday. Donald Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of student affairs, said he would not comment on the letter until he had spoken with Fordham.

CGLA Co-Chairperson Greg Johnson said Monday night that he didn't see the letter as a threat. "Fordham hasn't come out for or against us," Johnson said. "This is obviously not going to work."

Sam Barnard, University cashier, said students are required by the UNC System's Board of Governors to pay student fees before they can pre-register for classes. In the past, students have refused to pay student fees on moral or political grounds, but all of them relented rather than withdraw from the University, he

said.

Rick Spargo, another student who signed the letter, said he has tried to defund the CGLA for the past three years with no success. He said the letter is another way to make his voice heard. "We've exhausted our efforts with the Student Congress — now we're going to go above them."

Poston said he wants a "pretty good justification" from UNC's administration before he drops his protest. When asked if the signers would withdraw from the University if administrators don't address the issue to their satisfaction, he said, "We'll cross that bridge when we come to it."

The students will take the issue to higher and higher levels, including Gov. Jim Martin's office and the court system, until their complaints have been adequately addressed, Poston said.

Copies of the letter were also sent to UNC-system President C.D. Spangler and Bobo S. Tanner, chairman of the UNC Board of Trustees.

"I want them (UNC administrators) to refund our student fees or start some policy," Poston said. "If they let us down, we'll go see C.D. Spangler or Governor Martin."

Rob Friedman, Student Congress speaker, said he is concerned that the group is giving up on their congress representatives. If administrators agree with the letter's signers, they may endanger the congress' role in distributing student fees to campus organizations, Friedman said.

Barnard compared the situation to the problem that arises when people refuse to pay their taxes on moral grounds. The student legislature is the appropriate place to take student concerns, just as the U.S. Congress is the appropriate place to take tax concerns without risking arrest, he said.

Spargo said the students' ultimate

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Police tighten security at Smith Center concert

By HOLLY BAKER
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Chapel Hill police arrested 11 people, and Alcohol Law Enforcement officials cited another 22 people for drug and alcohol possession charges at the Genesis concert in the Smith Center Sunday night.

Charges included underage possession of alcohol, possession and consumption of mixed alcoholic beverages in an unauthorized area, possession of less than one ounce of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia with intent for use.

"We don't want the SAC to get a reputation of being a place to do drugs and drink," said Chapel Hill Interim Police Chief Arnold Gold.

"It is a place for entertainment and good clean fun."

At least 40 officers were on duty at the concert, he said, with 25 to ensure security and 15 to direct traffic.

In general, the Sunday night crowd was well behaved, said Steve Camp, Smith Center director.

"Out of 21,000 people, the number of arrests and citations is low," Camp said. "We put a special emphasis on security Sunday night and will do the same Monday. If anyone does something illegal, they can expect to pay the consequences."

ALE officials were also scheduled

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Donnell leads women past Duke, 83-67

By MIKE BERARDINO
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DURHAM In a game that featured enough solid contact to pass for hockey and enough knockdowns to pass for "Rocky," the elbow Duke's Sarah Sullivan planted in Liza Donnell's face early in the second half had the biggest impact.

The shot angered UNC's feisty backup point guard, and Donnell responded by scoring 13 of her game-high 19 points in the final 20 minutes to lead the Tar Heels to an 83-67 women's basketball win Monday night in Cameron Indoor Stadium.

"I don't think it was intentional, but she knew she did it

and she acted like, 'I did it, and so what,'" said the 5-5 Donnell of Sullivan, who stands 6-3. "It hurt me. I felt like punching her in the face, but instead I said I was going to take it right at her and foul her out."

Donnell couldn't foul Sullivan out, but she certainly hurt Duke. With 4:29 left, Carolyn Sonzogni hit a jumper to pull the Blue Devils within four at 61-57. But it was all UNC and Donnell from there on.

A crowd of 4,872 turned out for the game, with all proceeds going to the Ronald McDonald houses of Durham and Chapel Hill. That figure fell well short of the target 6,800, the state

attendance record for a women's game.

UNC, which wrapped up the third seed at the ACC tournament, finished its regular season at 18-8 overall and 9-5 in the conference. Duke, seeded fourth, dropped to 18-8 and 7-7.

Three times in the final minutes, Donnell drove coast-to-coast through the Duke defense to score. The first of those mad dashes came on the ensuing inbounds pass after Sonzogni's shot and sparked a 9-4 UNC run. That spurt made it 70-61 with 2:18 left, and the Blue Devils never climbed closer than seven again.

"We just got beat by a better team," Duke coach Debbie Leo-

nard said. "We were outplayed in every aspect of the game."

Two other points of note were UNC's bench scoring and second-half shooting. Donnell was the difference as the Tar Heel reserves outscored Duke's pine crew, 38-18. Chrissy Watts, one of the UNC subs, went 5-for-6 from the field as North Carolina reversed a 33 percent first-half showing by nailing an unbelievable 79 percent from the floor after the break.

"That's been the story of our team all year," UNC coach Sylvia Rhyme Hatchell said. "We got great play from our bench. We have eight, and maybe nine,

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Lots of sex for everybody, that's a solution to the world's problems. — Ted Turner