

Supreme Court
Judgement No. S0053/2025
Date of Judgement: 4/16/2025
Type of Proceeding: Senate By-Law
Type of Judgement: Constitutionality
Parties Involved: Solar / 785604256940949554

1. Factual Background

On April 14th, 2025 at 7:50 pm EST, The Senate passed Bill X.XX-Senate Bylaws Act, now renumbered to SL4.01/2025. The By-Law passed unanimously, with a vote of 10 yea's, 0 nay's and 0 abstentions. SL4.01/2025 contains Article 4, regarding elections of the Senatorial Chancellor.

Article 4.1.1c. states "The "#incoming-senators" channel shall be for incoming senators to discuss senate matters, and where they will conduct the entire process of nominating and electing Senatorial Chancellors prior to taking office"

2. Grounds for Judgement

Constitutional Article 2.8, regarding Legislative Oaths of Office, requires that Senators must give an oath before assuming power.

Electing a Senatorial Chancellor is a power of the Senate.

SL4.01/2025, as a By-Law does not have the authority to contradict the Constitution.

Article 4 heavily relies on context created by 4.1.1c

3. Judgment

Due to the relationship between article 4.1.1c and the remainder of Article 4, Article 4 is struck down for being unconstitutional.

The process to elect a Senatorial Chancellor shall revert back its rules before the change- only Senators who have given their oaths may vote.

Article 4 may be amended to contain a constitutionally valid process.

Signed,

Justice racoon92

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