

Bill of Rights amendment proposal—for 2006

In response to concerns expressed by approximately half the membership, and by express invitation, we, the undersigned, propose the following amendment to the bylaws of the American Translators Association:

Section 3 - Rights and Privileges, Paragraph a, to wit:

a. Active members have the right to attend any of the Association's membership meetings, use all of its membership facilities, and receive all of its regular publications free or at special membership rates. They also have the right to take certification examinations, to vote, to hold Association office, and to serve on the Board of Directors and all committees of the Association.

Shall be amended to read as follows:

a. Active members have the right to attend any of the Association's membership meetings, use all of its membership facilities, and receive all of its regular publications free or at special membership rates. They also have the right to take certification examinations, to vote, to hold Association office, and to serve on the Board of Directors and all committees of the Association. These last four rights are pertinent rights which extend only to ATA members.

And to the bottom of the Section shall be added the following:

h. No changes shall be made to the four pertinent member rights in paragraph "a" above except by formal amendment of these bylaws by the voting members.

Where the proposed additional language is underlined. No changes to paragraphs "b" through "g" are contemplated in this amendment proposal.

I, the undersigned voting member of the ATA, member number:.....

By petition of 50 signatures or more endorse the above proposal for amending the ATA bylaws, and want it put to a vote by the membership.

PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE