The Gateway RATTs caged in

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The entrance to RATT may soon become a cage for customers who are waiting to get into the popular Students' Union bar.

Students' Council is considering renovations to the entrance of the bar, located in the Students' Union building, that will see the installation of steel bars from the top of the existing walls all the way to the roof.

The present entrance enclosure, a 1.5 metre semi-solid wall, is causing security hassles for bar staff because they can not control the movement of people and objects across the barrier when the bar is busy.

Don Moore, Manager of RATT, notified the Students' Union in May of this year that the current situation in the bar needed to be changed.

"People jump over the railing when they don't want to wait to get in," said Moore. He also pointed

out that alcohol is frequently passed back and forth to people waiting in line.

Jugs and glasses frequently disappear, which can become fairly expensive as draught glasses cost \$1 each and jugs \$7.

Chairs have even disappeared over the railing and down the elevators.

However, nothing can be started until the expenditure for the renovations is passed at the next Council meeting, September 15. Once the motion is passed, Council will seek estimates to select a contractor.

Moore hopes this does not take much longer than it has to as problems will start picking up any day now.

"We will be losing a whole lot of stuff starting next week," Moore said. "Anyone who lives in Lister Hall stocks up their cupboards from here.'

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