



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

73rd Student Senate

Senate Bill #: 45
Primary Sponsor(s): Linsky

A revision to the Student Body Statutes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY THIRD STUDENT SENATE THAT:

A revision to Statues § 100.5, § 405.2, § 509.1, § 509.2, § 509.3, § 509.4, § 510 to reduce the statutory burdens surrounding The Office of the SGA General Counsel to increase the probability of compliance.

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100.5 Within the Student Body the following elected or appointed offices shall be considered major offices:

- Student Body President
- Student Body Vice President
- Student Body Treasurer
- Student Body Attorney General
- Executive Chief of Staff
- Cabinet Officers

Directors and Assistant Directors, Secretaries, Treasurers of Agencies, Bureaus, and Affiliated Projects

- Senators
- Union Board Members
- Campus Recreation Board Members
- Justices of the Student Supreme Court
- University Defenders
- SGA General Counsels
- Clerk of the Court
- Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students
- Supervisor of Elections
- Deputy Supervisors of Elections

President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Senior Class Council
Homecoming and **Homecoming Live** Directors

Any elected or appointed office which receives OPS Wages from Student Government.

405.2 Appointed Officers

A. The following shall be designated as appointed officers of the Student Body:

- Senate Parliamentarian
- Executive Chief of Staff
- Executive Cabinet Members
- Senate Clerk
- Senate Press Secretary
- Supervisor of Elections
- Supreme Court Chief Justice
- Supreme Court Associate Justices
- University Defenders
- SGA General Counsels
- Deputy Supervisors of Elections
- Election Commission Members
- Election Commission Secretary
- Student Body Attorney General
- All Agency, Bureau, and Affiliated Projects personnel who require confirmation by the Senate.

Chapter 509 The Office of the SGA General Counsel

509.1 There shall be a minimum of one (1) SGA General Counsels appointed by the Student Body President and subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the Senate. The appointees shall be students in good academic standing with the University. The General Counsel shall act as independent counsel in civil cases which fall within the court's jurisdiction.

509.2 Duties

The SGA General Counsel shall:

- A. Represent parties requesting assistance in the drafting and execution of all motions before the court.
- B. Provide representation during litigation before the court.

509.3 The SGA General Counsel shall serve until resignation or graduation unless removed by a majority vote of the Student Supreme Court or by the Student Senate.



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Chapter 510 Leaves of Absences during the Summer Session for Members of the Judicial Branch

A. Purpose

1. The purpose of this chapter shall be to allow for certain members of the Judicial Branch to take a leave of absence during the summer session, and to set forth the procedures to select their temporary replacements during that term.

B. Applicability and Scope

1. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the following officers of the Judicial Branch.
 - a. Associate Justices of the Supreme Court
 - b. University Defenders.
 - c. SGA General Counsels
 - d. Clerk of the Court
 - e. Deputy Clerks of the Court
2. The Chief Justice shall not be permitted to take a leave of absence during the summer session.

C. Procedure

1. All eligible officers shall notify the Chief Justice in writing on or before the last day of final examination at the College of Law of their intention to take a leave of absence during the summer session.
2. At the conclusion of final examinations at the College of Law, the Chief Justice shall appoint temporary officers to fill all or some of the vacated seats at their discretion. These temporary officers must meet all of the qualifications for the office to which they are being appointed as if they were being appointed in the normal, permanent manner. In keeping with Article IV of the Student Body Constitution, the Student Body President and the Student Bar Association do not need to be contacted for temporary appointments. However, all temporary summer appointees to the Judicial Branch must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Student Senate. These nominations by the Chief Justice shall go directly to the floor at the earliest summer session of the Student Senate.
3. All appointees to the Judicial Branch during the summer session shall be on notice that their appointments are of a temporary nature. Their term of office shall terminate on the last day of final examinations for the summer academic term.
4. All temporary officers of the Judicial Branch who are entitled to compensation shall be compensated for the summer term as if they were permanent officers. This compensation shall cease at the close of the summer academic term or should they resign from office, whichever comes first.
5. All of the permanent officers of the Judicial Branch, who take a leave of absence for the summer term, shall receive no compensation for the summer term. Such compensation shall only resume when they assume their permanent offices at the opening of classes in the fall semester.
6. All temporary judicial officers are entitled to serve throughout the summer session, even if their permanent counterparts come back from the summer early. Permanent members only resume their offices at the opening of classes during the fall semester.
7. All temporary judicial officers are subject to impeachment by the Student Senate during the summer session according to the procedures listed in Chapter 405 of the Student Body Statutes.