



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

To: FSU Student Senate

From: Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Amy Hecht'.

CC: Dr. Felicia Williams, Director, Student Engagement  
Dr. Brandon Bowden, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs  
Tazzy Janvier, Student Body President

Date: December 2, 2021

Subject: Bill 46: COGS Ex-Officio Voting Rights

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The purpose of this memo is to follow up on Bill 46: COGS Ex-Officio Voting Rights that was forwarded for my signature. After review, I will veto this Bill for concerns over representation.

COGS has received additional funding to allocate to graduate students and programs and services geared towards graduate and professional students. Additional representation on Student Senate's funding committees already exists. Statute 705.5 C states:

*For the purposes of Senate apportionment, graduate and professional students will be considered members of the collegiate division that offers their course of study and not the Graduate School. Seats apportioned to any division aside from undergraduate studies shall be apportioned to reflect the percentage of the student body engaged in an upper-division undergraduate, graduate, or professional course of study in that college.*

I support the clarity that Senate is trying to provide, but there needs to be a conversation and vision for the role of graduate student senate seats and the role of COGS.

For the above reasons, I hereby veto Senate Bill 46.