

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

75th STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: 38 Primary Sponsor: Diaz

A revision to the Student Body Statutes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY FIFTH STUDENT SENATE THAT:

A revision is made to the Student Body Statutes Chapter § 402.2, 416.3 (See attached).

Revising language pertaining to the approval and veto process of bills passed by the Student Senate, and providing more time for the Vice President for Student Affairs to sign the annual budget bill to conform to Florida Statute 1009.24(10)(b).

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Read 2nd Time: 3/29/2023 Senate Vote: 31-4-1 3/31/2023 | 10:49 AM PDT OFFICIAL: Student Senate President Passed: March 29th, 2023 **CERTIFIED TO THE STUDENT BODY** President of the Student Body Date DocuSigned by: Dr. Felicia Williams 4/18/2023 | 11:43 PM EDT Director of the Student Governance & Advocacy Date -DocuSigned by: Dr. amy Hecht 4/25/2023 | 12:18 PM EDT

Date

Vice President of Student Affairs

Statute/Amendment Text:

402.2 Veto and Veto Amendment Process

- A. Upon presentation of a bill, the Student Body President shall have five (5) school days to approve or veto the legislation. If no action is taken within the five (5) day limit, then the bill shall be treated as approved by the Student Body President. This five (5) day limit shall begin on the first school day after the Bill is passed by the Student Senate received by the Student Body President via email. If approved, the The Student Body President shall then submit the bill to the <u>Vice</u> President for Student Affairs for consideration. Attorney General. The Attorney General shall refer approved bills to the Vice President for Student Affairs within three (3) school days of receipt. In the absence of an Attorney General, the Student Body President shall be responsible for referring approved bills to the Vice President for Student Affairs.
- B. The Student Body President must submit written justification/reasoning to the Student Senate, within the five (5) day limit, of receipt to sustain any veto of legislation. The Student Body President <u>or a designee</u> must also deliver an oral justification to the Student Senate for the reason for the veto(es) <u>within two (2)</u> <u>Senate meetings</u>. The copy of the President's justification/reasoning for the veto(es) must be e-mailed from the Student Body President to the Senate President so that the Senate President may <u>e-mail distribute</u> it to all Senators at least 48 hours prior to the President's oral justification to the Senate President must send the originally vetoed bill to all Senators. If the Vice President for Student Affairs vetoes a bill, it is suggested that <u>they send</u> a request be submitted to submit that individual requesting an email notification/reasoning of the veto to the Senate <u>President</u>. If this occurs, a copy of the emailed justification/reasoning must be <u>emailed distribute</u> to all Senators.
- C. Bills not acted upon within ten (10) school days after being received by the Vice President for Student Affairs shall be treated as approved unless the Student Body President, Senate President and Student Body Attorney General are notified by the Vice President for Student Affairs within the ten (10) day limit as to why the bill will not be acted upon within that limit and when action will be taken. Bills not acted upon within eighteen (18) school days after being passed by the Student Senate shall be treated as approved. The provisions of Subsection 402.2 (C) shall not apply to the annual A&S budget bill, which shall be governed by Chapter 416.3.
- D. If a vetoed bill from either the Student Body President or Vice President for Student Affairs is amended on the floor of the Senate during the reconsideration of the bill, that bill will be considered new legislation and be resubmitted to the Student Body President and Vice President for Student Affairs for approval or veto, all preceding statutes on time constraints to bill consideration applying.
- E. If a presidential veto is overridden, that bill shall then go directly to the desk of the Vice President for Student Affairs for consideration <u>as soon as possible; the</u> preceding statutes on time constraints to <u>the bill consideration applying again</u> <u>upon presentation</u> the following school day.

F. Chapter 402.2 shall nullify and supersede any conflicting statute or rule.

Chapter 416 Annual Budget Procedures Act of 2016 (updated)

416.1 Purpose

This act is to establish a procedure by which the annual Activity and Service Fee (A&S) Budget of the Student Senate is produced and passed.

416.2 Scope

The Annual A&S Fee Budget hereby referred to as the Budget shall be passed in compliance with the provisions of this act and all applicable provisions within the State of Florida Administrative Code. No exceptions are authorized other than those specified within.

- 416.3 Procedures for Passage of the Budget
 - A. The Budget shall not be approved by the Student Senate in a Summer Session.
 - B. An estimated amount of the Budget shall be used to submit to the Senate President for First Reading by the Chair of the Budget Committee. After which, hearings shall be held and operated at the discretion of the Chair of the Budget Committee.
 - 1. Each prospective recipient of monies from the Budget shall make a budget request. The Budget Committee shall hold hearings during which budget requests are defended. Each prospective recipient of the Budget shall have a separate hearing.
 - 2. The hearings shall be administered by the Chair of the Budget Committee and shall require a minimum of three (3) Senators. The Budget Committee will in good faith obtain quorum.
 - 3. The Budget Committee shall have the authority to deliberate monies to requesting and non-requesting prospective recipients. The Budget Committee shall also be authorized to deliberate more or less than the amount requested.
 - C. When the Budget has been deliberated and approved in whole by the Budget Committee it will be heard on Second Reading. All Senators shall be presented copies of the proposed allocations. The Budget shall be on the calendar for second reading for a minimum of five (5) business days with proposed allocations before passage. The budget and proviso must properly be advertised on the Student Government website while on Second Reading.
 - D. The Budget shall be approved by the Senate before the beginning of the fiscal year of which it affects. The Chair of the Budget Committee shall make a good faith effort to complete the Budget no later than October 31 of each year.

- E. The Budget and Proviso language cannot be approved separately. Changes to the Proviso language may be made via resolution at any point before the Budget is approved by the Board of Trustees. This resolution shall be passed with a two- thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.
- F. Amendments to the Budget, on the Senate floor, must follow a majority vote to unlock a specific line item and category of the Budget or a line of the Proviso language. Any amendment that affects the allocation amount in any line of any recipient shall require a three-fourth (3/4) vote of the Senate.
 - 1. Amendments may only be made to a specific category of one recipient.
- G. Hearings, deliberations, and meetings of the Budget Committee are public and shall be advertised in the Senate. The Chair of the Budget Committee shall not exclude any student from witnessing the hearings or deliberations in accordance with Chapter 409 of the Student Body Statutes.
- H. The Budget shall be passed by a roll-call vote. A simple majority is required for passage.
- I. If the Budget is failed in Senate, the Budget Committee shall create a new budget in due time, following the guidelines in these statutes.
- J. The University President or their designee shall retain line-item veto power over the budget bill and have fifteen (15) school days from the date of presentation of the budget to act on the allocation and expenditure recommendations, which shall be deemed approved if no action is taken within the 15 school day limit.
 - If any line item or portion within the budget is vetoed by the

 University President or their designee, the Student Senate shall,

 within fifteen (15) school days, make new budget recommendations

 for expenditure of the vetoed portion of the bill. These new

 recommendations shall be made in the form of a new bill, which

 shall be deliberated by the Budget committee without the need for

 new budget request hearings.
 - 2. If the University President or their designee, vetoes any line item or portion thereof within the new budget revisions, the University President, or their designee, may reallocate by line item that vetoed portion to bond obligations guaranteed by Activity and Service fees pursuant to F.S.1010.62.
 - 3. The University President or their designee, may also veto the budget bill in its entirety, in which case the Budget Committee shall create a new budget in due time, following the guidelines in these statutes.

4. Unexpended funds and undisbursed funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried over and remain in the student activity and service fund and be available for allocation and expenditure during the next fiscal year.