



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# 75<sup>th</sup> STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: 53

Primary Sponsor: DuChêne, 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 207.4 (See attached).

This bill eliminates the statutorily mandated Senate mentor program.

Read 1<sup>st</sup> Time: 4/12/2023

Referred to Committee: Judiciary and Rules 4/12

Read 2<sup>nd</sup> Time: 4/19/2023

Senate Vote: Unanimous Consent

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Passed: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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## Statute/Amendment Text

### 207.4 New Senator Orientation

- A. New Senator Orientation shall serve as a means to bring about a more efficient transition into Student Senate for new Senators.
- B. The current Student Senate President, in conjunction with Student Senate President Pro Tempore, shall be required to conduct New Senator Orientation in the week prior to the Student Government Inaugurations; additional New Senator Orientations shall be conducted at the discretion of the Student Senate President. In the case of a contested election, or special circumstances, New Senator Orientation may be moved to the week after the Inaugurations.
  - 1. New Senator Orientation shall consist of teaching new Senators how to compose and submit a bill for first reading, compose and submit a resolution for first reading, properly follow Robert's Rules of Order during a Senate meeting, properly follow Student Senate Rules of Procedure, and anything deemed necessary by Senate President or Student Senate President Pro Tempore. In addition, new Senators should have a basic understanding of the Student Body Constitution, the Student Body Statutes and the SGA Financial Manual.
  - 2. At New Senator Orientation, the new Senators shall take part in a mock Senate meeting in which the Student Senate President, in conjunction with the Student Senate President Pro Tempore, shall teach the new Senators all relevant information about the procedure of a Senate meeting.
- C. After New Senator Orientation
  - A. New Senators shall be encouraged to attend a scheduled meeting with the Student Senate President, in which the new Senators' committee appointment shall be discussed in addition to any relevant questions the Senator might have. Successful completion of New Senator Orientation shall be determined by the Student Senate President or Student Senate President Pro Tempore.
  - ~~B. The Student Senate President Pro Tempore shall assign new Senators a mentor, unless they opt out. The purpose of the mentoring program shall be to help new Senators learn the appropriate techniques for writing legislation, master the rules and procedures that govern the Student Senate, and understand the responsibilities and duties of being a Senator.~~

~~Any new Senator may petition the Student Senate President Pro Tempore for reassignment. It shall be up to the discretion of the Student Senate President Pro Tempore whether or not to grant reassignment.~~

- B. ~~C.~~ A voluntary survey to ascertain the efficiency of the program will be conducted by the Student Senate President Pro Tempore at the last meeting of each Senate term.