# Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

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# Senate Legislative Aide Act of 2014 Senators: Doyle, Molina, Collins, Anger, Munoz Revision of Statutes Chapter 405 and 415,

# Chapter 405 Impeachment and Removal from Office

# 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 Sergeant-at-Arms

Senate Clerk

Senate Legislative Aide

Supervisor of Elections

Supreme Court Chief Justice

Supreme Court Associate Justices

**University Defenders** 

**General Counsel** 

**Deputy Supervisor 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 415: The Senate Legislative Aide Act of 2014

History: The 54th Student Senate Passed Bill 40 titled "Senate Legislative Aide Act of 2002". Deleted by the 56th Senate Bill 27.

# **415.1** Purpose

A. The purpose of this statute shall be to establish the Student Senate Legislative

Aide Program. The program shall be run through the Office of the Senate

President Pro-Tempore and Student Senators.

### 415.2 Mission

- A. The formal mission of the Legislative Aide Program (LAP) shall be:
  - a. to expand the opportunities for all students to participate in their Student Government;
  - b. to promote engaged citizenship and civic learning;
  - c. to allow for aides to draft legislation and understand the workings of Student Senate, Parliamentary Procedure, and the rules that govern Student Government;
  - d. <u>and to foster a kinship between students and their representatives in Student Government.</u>

### 415.3 Eligibility

A. <u>All currently enrolled Florida State students are eligible to become legislative</u> aides.

### 415.4 Application

- A. The Senate President Pro-Tempore shall create the Legislative Aide Application.
- B. <u>The general SGA application shall serve as the model for the application to the Legislative Aide Program.</u>
- C. The application must include a "preferred senator" section, where applicants have the option to indicate their preference for a sponsoring Senator.

# 415.5 Advertising

A. <u>The Legislative Aide Program shall be advertised on the Student Government</u> webpage.

### 415.6 Application Process

A. Applications shall be referred to the Senate President Pro-Tempore.

# 415.7 Assignment Process

- A. <u>The Senate President Pro-Tempore shall assign a legislative aide to an interested Senator based upon their answer to the "preferred Senator" question.</u>
- B. If multiple applications prefer the same Senator, or an applicant has not indicated a preference for a Senator, the Senate President Pro-Tempore shall have the discretion to assign aides to other interested Senators with their consultation.

### 415.8 Duties of Legislative Aides

- A. <u>Legislative Aides shall assist Senators in drafting and researching legislation. In addition to these responsibilities, a legislative aide may come up with legislation and have it formally sponsored by their sponsoring Senator.</u>
- B. <u>Legislative Aides shall assist in gauging student opinion through canvassing constituents.</u>
- C. <u>Legislative Aides shall also abide by the Senate attendance policy and all conduct of the Senate Chamber, as per Rules and Procedure.</u>

### 415.9 Structure of the Program

- A. <u>The Legislative Aide Program shall last for twelve (12) Senate Sessions or the remainder of their sponsoring Senators term.</u>
  - a. Any legislative aide can re-apply to the program after the 12 sessions or change sponsors when their Senator's term expires.
- B. Upon completion of the program a Legislative Aide shall meet with the Senate President Pro-Tempore and their sponsoring Senator to review their experiences, ask any remaining questions about Student Government and formulate a pathway for the legislative aide to continue their involvement on campus and/or Student Government.

# 415.10 Reassignment or Removal

The Senate President Pro Tempore shall have the power to reassign or remove legislative aides, with the consent of the Sponsoring Senator, under the condition that he or she believes that the mission of the Legislative Aide Program is not being achieved.

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