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In Unconquered Pride,

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Bill #: 58

Primary Sponsor: Folwell Co-Sponsor(s): Diaz Date: June 21, 2022

Amount: \$978

From (account name): Senate Projects

To (account name): FSU Chapter of NAACP

Purpose & Description: Pursuant to Statute 807.6(B), this bill reflects a request to fund a Registered Student Organization out of Senate Projects due to PAC's inability to meet during the summer semesters. This request was submitted in compliance with PAC's requirements of having three quotes per request. This transfer is to fund t-shirts for NAACP so they can further promote their organization to the Student Body and to advance their mission of active voter engagement and registration ahead of important midterm elections this year.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description Monne	Unit Price
144	T-shirts from T-Formation for the FSU Chapter of the NAACP	\$6.79

Total: \$978

Senate Bill #: 59

Primary Sponsor: Folwell Co-Sponsor(s): Diaz Date: June 21, 2022

Purpose & Description: This bill consolidates the various statements about Senators taking Leaves of Absence, simplifies and codifies the process, and makes it so that senators on a leave of absence are not counted toward quorum.

PROVISO: This bill shall go into effect upon the first Senate meeting of the Fall 2022 Semester.

Statute Number(s): 100.6, 100.8, 400.1, 404, 405.6

Statute/Amendment Text

- Major offices may only be held by FSU students registered for at least six (6) hours in both the fall and spring semesters, respectively, and at least three (3) hours during the summer session. Senators not taking three (3) hours in the summer session may go on a leave of absence rather than being removed from their office. Additionally, a Senator who is taking at least three (3) hours in the summer semester but intends to conduct the class online may also take a leave of absence.
- Student Government Association officers may take a leave of absence in the summer term according to the procedures outlined in the applicable chapter of statutes. At other times they must have approval of the Student Body President (for the Executive Branch) or the Chief Justice of the Student Supreme Court (for the Judicial Branch). The Senate Rules of Procedure shall govern members and related officers of the Senate when it comes to taking leaves of absence during any term. All other officers of the Student Government Association may take a leave of absence during the summer session or at other times by notifying the Student Body President of their intentions in writing before they take a leave of absence, unless otherwise prohibited by Statute, or by individual bylaws.

400.1 Senate Session

A. Fall, Spring, and Summer Meetings

The fall, spring, and summer meetings of the Student Senate shall begin on the second Wednesday in the respective semester and shall terminate on the Wednesday prior to finals week of the three semesters.

- B. Each Student Senate shall adopt its own Rules of Procedure in accordance with the Student Body Constitution and Statutes.
- C. Except for summer leave of absences, no leave of absence may exceed one week. No Senator may take more than three (3) leaves of absences in one semester. Further, absences accrued during any further leaves shall be considered unexcused absences. Special exceptions may be granted by the Rules and Calendar Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

Chapter 404 Terms of Office

- A. Senate members shall take office upon inauguration.
- B. Senators shall terminate office when one of the following circumstances occurs:
 - 1. At the inauguration of their successors.
 - If occupying an upper-division seat, and changing their major, or field of study, would change their division classification.
 - 3. Upon their graduation, be it at either the undergraduate or graduate classification, unless they are taking a summer leave of absence, pursuant to Section 405.6.
 - a. An exception to this applies when the Senator graduating with their undergraduate degree will be enrolled as a graduate student in the same academic division, and will be permitted a "Leave of Absence" for any Summer or Winter break between their graduation as an undergraduate and enrollment as a graduate student.
 - 4. If they are no longer an enrolled student at Florida State University, unless they are taking a summer leave of absence, pursuant to Section 405.6.

- An exception to this applies where an official "Leave of Absence" has been granted for the summer session, pursuant to Chapter 100.6.
- C. Installation of Senators shall occur at the inauguration ceremony for the term that they are elected. Any Senators not formally sworn in at inauguration shall be sworn in at the next available Senate meeting.
- D. All Senators enrolled as students during any of the summer academic terms shall be members of the summer meetings upon fulfillment of the following requirements.
 - 1. Senators must file a notice of intent with the Senate President two (2) weeks prior to the last Student Senate meeting of the Spring semester. At the discretion of the Student Senate President or by a majority vote of Senate, the Senate may accept a late notice of intent. If a notice of intent is not provided or not accepted according to this rule, the Senator's seat shall be considered vacant and available for appointment for the entire summer.
 - This notice of intent must include the dates which the Senator intends to serve during the summer session.
- E. The number of Senators available to serve during any term shall at no point fall below thirty (30). Should occasion arise wherein there are fewer than thirty available serving Senators, the Student Body President shall make appointments to maintain a total of thirty (30) Senators. In this case Senate and its committees may meet for the sole purpose of voting on new Senators even if there are less than 5 voting members in each standing committee.
- F. Appointed Summer Senators shall be on notice that their duties are of a temporary nature. Their term of office shall be terminated upon the return of the absent Senator, whose seat the appointee is occupying.
- G. Senators, by virtue of their office and the public trust, may not apply to be appointed to any vacated Seat within the Student Senate. Additionally, upon resignation or removal from their Seat, no former Senator may apply to be appointed to any vacated Seat within the Student Senate apportioned for the opposite semester from the seat which they originally held until after the said opposite semesters elections are completed and certified, but shall always bepermitted to run in said election.

405.6 Leaves of Absence

- A. Senators, under certain circumstances, may take a Leave of Absence, during which time any absences will not count toward their record.
- B. There shall be three different kinds of Leaves of Absence: a Normal Leave of Absence, a Special Leave of Absence, and a Summer Leave of Absence.
 - 1. A Normal Leave of Absence is a Leave of Absence that may be taken for up to one week. In order to take a Normal Leave of Absence, a Senator must provide notice to the Pro Tempore and at the next Rules and Calendar committee meeting, the committee shall vote, by majority, to approve the Leave of Absence. A Senator shall be allowed more than three (3) Normal Leaves of Absence.
 - 2. A Special Leave of Absence is a Leave of Absence given special extenuating circumstances that may rise on a case-by-case basis. In order to take a Special Leave of Absence, a Senator must provide notice to the Pro Tempore and at the next Rules and Calendar committee meeting, the committee shall vote, by two-thirds (2/3), to approve the Leave of Absence.
 - 3. A Summer Leave of Absence may occur during the summer session, with specific circumstances listed below. During and only during a Summer Leave of Absence, a Senator's seat may be temporarily reassigned for the extent of that Senator's Summer Leave of Absence.
 - a. During the summer session, Senators may take a leave of absence. In order to serve, Senators must file a notice of intent with the SGA Advisor two (2) weeks prior to the last Student Senate meeting of the Spring Semester. At the discretion of the SGA Advisor or by a majority vote of Senate, the Senate may accept a late notice of intent. If this notice of intent is not submitted, the Senator shall go on a Summer Leave of Absence for the Summer Session, and will return to office upon the first day of the Fall Semester.
 - <u>b.</u> When a Senator graduates with their undergraduate degree in the Spring Semester, and will be enrolled as a graduate student in the same academic division the following Fall Semester, they may take a Summer Leave of Absence. In order for a Senator who qualifies to take a Summer Leave of Absence upon their graduation, they must provide notice to the SGA Advisor two (2) weeks prior to the last Student Senate meeting of the Spring Semester. At the discretion of the SGA Advisor or by a majority vote of Senate, the Senate

may accept a late notice.

C. When a Senator is on a Leave of Absence, their presence will not be counted towards or against quorum of Senate or any committees.



Senate Bill #: 60

Primary Sponsor: Diaz

Co-Sponsor(s): Click or tap here to enter text.

Date: June 30, 2022

Purpose & Description: Amending the nomenclature of the Rules and Student Life committees in Statutes to align with the current Senate Rules of Procedure and the current practices of the Student Senate. This omnibus bill requires 2/3 concurrence of the Student Senate.

Statute Number(s): SBS §400.1, §400.7, §401.1, §411.1, §412.1, §413.7, §705.4, §706.6, §1100.5





400.1 Senate Session

A. Fall, Spring, and Summer Meetings

The fall, spring, and summer meetings of the Student Senate shall begin on the second Wednesday in the respective semester and shall terminate on the Wednesday prior to finals week of the three semesters.

- B. Each Student Senate shall adopt its own Rules of Procedure in accordance with the Student Body Constitution and Statutes.
- C. Except for summer leave of absences, no leave of absence may exceed one week. No Senator may take more than three (3) leaves of absences in one semester. Further, absences accrued during any further leaves shall be considered unexcused absences. Special exceptions may be granted by the Rules and Calendar Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

400.7 Senate Committee

- A. Standing committee Chairs and Vice Chairs shall be elected by a majority vote of the committee on which they serve. Elections shall occur the first meeting after the allocation of committee assignments following fall and spring inaugurations, and upon the resignation, impeachment, or departure of a sitting Chair and/or Vice Chair.
 - 1. A Chair or Vice Chair may be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the committee they serve on; only those who have served on the committee for a minimum of one (1) calendar month shall be eligible to vote on this motion. At least five (5) committee members eligible to vote on the matter must be present to vote.
 - B. The Rules and Calendar Committee is exempt from 400.7 A.
 - C. No Senator may serve on more than one standing committee, at the same time, except that they may serve on Rules and Calendar in addition to being a Chair of their committee.
 - D. Senators may also serve on Sweepings and Central Reserves Committees in addition to membership on other committees.

Chapter 401 Forms of Legislation

401.1 Resolutions

Resolutions shall be formal expressions of the opinion or will of the Senate. Resolutions shall be adopted by majority vote of the Senate. Changes to the Rules of Procedure must be done through resolution and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.

A. Resolutions shall not be written for the purpose of commending or condemning an individual(s) or organization(s) unless approved by majority of the Rules and Calendar Committee and two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.

Chapter 411 Senator's Committee Rights

- A. At the first meeting following the taking of the oath of office, Senators shall submit their committee preferences. The Student Senate President shall assign committees and at no time shall any committee fall below five (5) voting members.
- B. Once committee membership has been initially decided upon committee members may only be switched to another committee by the Senate President with permission of the Senator to be moved.
- C. Neither Section 411 A nor B applies to the Rules and Calendar, Sweepings, Supplemental Funding, or Central Reserves Committee.
- D. Committee members will be allowed three (3) unexcused absences, after which point, the chair must call for a motion to remove the Senator from the committee. Such a motion will require a majority-vote of the committee that they served on. Only those who have served on the committee for a minimum of one (1) calendar month shall be eligible to vote on this motion. At least five (5) committee members eligible to vote on the matter must be present to vote. If the motion passes the Student Senate President must be immediately notified at the conclusion of the meeting where the motion takes place.
 - 1. For an absence to be excused, the committee member must email the vice chair at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting or, in the event of an unforeseen circumstance on the day of the meeting, twenty-four (24) hours after the meeting, providing information as to why they were not present. The request shall be approved by a majority vote of the committee at the next meeting. All excused absences must comply with the Florida State University policy.
 - 2. Two (2) tardies shall count as an unexcused absence.
 - 3. Once a Senator has been notified of removal from an assigned committee the Senator will have two (2) business days to submit their availability and request for a new committee assignment to the Student Senate President.
- 411.1 The Standing Committees of the Senate shall be: Budget, Finance, Judiciary, Student Life and Academic Affairs, Internal Affairs, and Rules and Calendar.
- 411.2 The Central Reserves and Sweepings Committees are special standing committees that shall exist for a particular session until their respective duties have been completed.
 411.3 All members of the Finance and Budget Committees shall be required to attend a workshop held by the Student Government Association Accounting Office.

Chapter 412 Sweepings Regulations Act of 1995

412.1 Sweepings Allocation Process

- A. Monies from sweepings may not be allocated by Student Senate, except through one sweepings bill per year. It must be completed and passed by Student Senate no later than the end of the fall term.
 - 1. In the event that a veto results in unallocated sweepings monies an additional sweepings bills may be done.
 - 2. In the event that the Vice President for Student Affairs holds sweepings funds in an A&S Fee Reserve and later returns that money to the Student Senate, the monies shall be allocated in a sweepings bill. This may result in an additional sweepings bill.
- B. Sweepings monies may not be attached as a rider to other bills.
- C. Committee Members
 - The Sweepings Committee shall be a special standing committee, and members shall enjoy all rights of committee members under Chapter 411, unless otherwise stated in this statute.
 - 2. Senators may serve on this committee as voting members while serving on other committees. The Committee shall consist of two (2) members from each standing committee (except Rules and Calendar) elected by their committee. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Sweepings Committee shall be elected by the Sweepings Committee upon its creation in the Fall.

413.7 Spring Awards

At the first regularly scheduled Senate meeting following the spring election, every spring semester the Student Senate shall vote on the following four awards. These awards shall be presented during the Presidential Inauguration ceremony to the Senator receiving the most votes for each award.

- A. Mattie Durham Senator of the Year The Senator that best served students, Student Senate and the larger university community.
- B. The Mores Award (Senate Ethics Award) The Senator who carried out their duties with the highest sense of personal ethics and honor, exemplifying the greatest level of character on which our university prides itself, or "Mores."

- C. The Vires Award (New Senator of the Year) The best Senator who is serving their first term in Senate (not necessarily a Freshman). The Senator who exhibits strength ("Vires") through their first term by continuing to persevere in their learning and striving to make a difference.
- D. The Artes Award (Chair of the Year) The best Chair of the Resource for Travel Allocation Committee (RTAC) Programming Allocation Committee (PAC) and Standing Committee Chairs (other than Rules and Calendar, Central Reserves and Sweepings). The Senator awarded the Artes Award demonstrates exception working their communities and has excelled in skill while chairing the committee.
- The elections shall take place on the eighth Wednesday of the fall semester. In the case of a date conflict the Student Senate shall determine the date of the elections between the sixth and eighth week of school by a resolution passed no later than the last Senate meeting of the spring semester. If no such resolution is passed the Supervisor of Elections shall select the date of elections no later than the Friday following the third Wednesday of the semester.
 - A. The Student Body President and the Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students shall be notified by the Senate Program Assistant within 24 hours of the enrollment of any resolution to set the date of the fall elections in accordance with the above provision.
 - B. If the Supervisor of Elections shall set the date of the election in accordance with the above provision they shall notify the Student Body President and Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students within 24 (twenty-four) hours of determining the date of the election.
 - C. Once the date of the elections is determined an announcement shall be sent by Senate to the SGA webmaster to be published on the Student Government Association website.
 - D. The Rules and Calendar Committee shall set the date of the fall election by majority vote. The acting chair of the Rules and Calendar Committee shall sponsor the resolution setting the date of the election in accordance with statute 705.4 of the Student Body Statutes.
- The elections shall take place on the eighth Wednesday of the Spring semester In the case of a date conflict the Student Senate shall determine the date of elections between the sixth and eight week of school by a resolution passed no later than the last Senate meeting of the fall semester. If no such resolution is passed the Supervisor of Elections shall select the date of elections no later than the Friday following the third Wednesday of the spring semester.
 - A. The Rules and Calendar Committee shall set the date of the spring elections by majority vote. The acting chair of the Rules and Calendar Committee shall sponsor the resolution setting the date of the elections in accordance with 706.5.

1100.5 Evaluations

- A. The Student <u>Life Affairs</u> Committee, each year, shall consider whether each affiliated project should continue in existence and receive funding, and make such recommendations in writing to the Student Senate President. This shall occur no later than the seventh week of the Spring semester.
- B. Affiliated projects are to be overseen by the Student Body Treasurer.



Bill #: 61

Primary Sponsor: Marting Co-Sponsor(s): Diaz Date: July 2, 2022

Amount: \$978

From (account name): Programming Allocations Committee

To (account name): Senate Projects

Purpose & Description: Pursuant to Statutes 418.4(B) and 807.6(B)(2), this bill represents the funds to be reimbursed into Senate Projects from PAC following allocations made through Bill 58 of the summer term of the 74th Student Senate.



Bill #: 62

Primary Sponsor: Kariher Co-Sponsor(s): Diaz

Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount: \$5,882

From (account name): Senate Projects

To (account name): Horn Studio of FSU

Purpose & Description: Pursuant to Statute 807.6(B), this bill reflects a request to fund a Registered Student Organization out of Senate Projects due to RTAC's inability to meet during the summer semesters. This transfer is to fund the Horn Studio of FSU's travel to the International Horn Symposium in Kingsville, Texas. RSO members will perform at the symposium and have the opportunity to network with prominent musicians from around the world.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
2	Lodging: Holiday Inn Express, Scott-Lafayette West. 5 rooms, \$96/night, 1 night	\$480
2	Travel/Expense: AVIS 12 passenger van rental	\$571
18	Registration Fee: Early Registration, Student Member Rate	\$210

Total: \$5,882

Bill #: 63

Primary Sponsor: Marting Co-Sponsor(s): Diaz

Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount: \$2,000

From (account name): Resource for Travel Allocations Committee

To (account name): Senate Projects

Purpose & Description: Pursuant to Statutes 418.4(B) and 807.6(B)(2), this bill represents the funds to be reimbursed into Senate Projects from RTAC following allocations made through Bill 62 of the summer term of the 74th Student Senate.



Senate Bill #: 64

Primary Sponsor: Rowan Co-Sponsor(s): Kariher Date: June 30, 2022

Purpose & Description: A Bill to Enact a Standard Term Length to Ensure Accountability.

Statute Number(s): §100.5

Be it Enacted by the Seventy-Fourth Student Senate,

Section 1. Student Body Statutes §100.5 is hereby amended to read:

100.5 Major Offices

A. Definitions

- Director The chief executive of an entity.
- 2. Assistant Director The individual who would assume the role of the chief executive of an entity in the absence of the chief executive.
- 3. Treasurer The individual in charge of monitoring the finances of an entity.
- 4. Secretary The individual in charge of taking minutes at board meetings of an entity.
- B. The definitions listed in this statute shall include any positions which fit the criteria of the definition.
- C. Within the Student Body the following elected or appointed offices shall be considered major offices
 - 1. Student Body President
 - 2. Student Body Vice President
 - 3. Student Body Treasurer

- 4. Student Body Attorney General
- 5. Members of the Executive Office of the President
- 6. Cabinet Officers
- 7. Directors, Assistant Directors, Secretaries, Treasurers of Agencies and Bureaus
- 8. Student Senators
- 9. Congress of Graduate Students Representatives
- 10. Members of the Office of Governmental Affairs Board of Directors excluding elected positions.
- 11. Union Board Members
- 12. Campus Recreation Board Members
- 13. Justices of the Student Supreme Court
- 14. University Defenders
- 15. SGA General Counsels
- 16. Clerk of the Court
- 17. Supervisor of Elections
- 18. Deputy Supervisors of Elections
- 19. President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Senior Class Council
- 20. Homecoming Director, Assistant Director, and Homecoming Live Director
- 21. Any elected or appointed office which receives OPS Wages from Student Government.
- D. All non-elected offices, except for Justices of the Student Supreme Court and Senate Officers, shall be vacated upon the completion of Spring Inauguration. Senate Officers shall have their office vacated upon sine die of the Senate they were appointed in. This section shall overrule all conflicting statutes and shall apply retroactively.

Senate Bill #: 65

Primary Sponsor: Rowan Co-Sponsor(s): Kariher Date: June 27, 2022

Purpose & Description: A Bill to Abolish the Mental Health Council, as it does not provide tangible outcomes for the Student Body, and allowing the Executive Branch to set up Cabinet committees dedicated to a particular area of advocacy.

Statute Number(s): New Chapter 310, Chapter 915

Be it Enacted by the Seventy-Fourth Student Senate,

Section 1. Chapter 915, in its entirety, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. A new Chapter 310, under Title III, shall be created, which shall read:

Chapter 310 Special Projects of the Executive Branch

- 310.1 Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as a mandate to the Executive

 Branch. Rather, that this Chapter provides a streamlined method by which the

 Executive Branch may work on projects of importance without need for increased bureaucracy.
- The Student Body President, in consultation with the Student Body Vice

 President, Chief of Staff, and effected members of the Cabinet, may empower a member, or members of the Cabinet, to organize a Committee of the Cabinet charged with organizing and executing the Executive's mission in such policy areas as the Student Body President deems fit, so long as such areas are not already dealt with by another Student Government entity.
- 310.3 Members of these Cabinet Committees shall be appointed by the Student Body President, or their designee, and such appointments shall not require Senate confirmation, so long as members not already confirmed by the Senate do not sit in the full Cabinet.
- 310.4 The Student Body President, in consultation with the Student Body Treasurer, may request, by letter to the Chair of the Senate Budget Committee and the Senate President, that funds be reallocated to the Executive Projects account for the purpose of funding the actions of such committees.

Section 3. All funds allocated to the Mental Health Council in Bill 2022, the 2022-2023 SGA Budget Act, shall be reallocated to the Expense category of the Executive Projects Account to allow for the proper funding of these committees.



Senate Bill #: 66

Primary Sponsor: Rowan Co-Sponsor(s): Kariher, Date: June 27, 2022

Purpose & Description: A Bill To Abolish the Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy, as it does not provide tangible outcomes for the Student Body.

Statute Number(s): Chapter 913

Be it enacted by the Seventy-Fourth Student Senate,

Section 1. Chapter 913, in its entirety, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. All funds allocated to the Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy in Bill 2022, the 2022-2023 SGA Budget Act, shall be transferred to the Expense category of the following accounts in the following amounts:

Jewish Student Union - \$720 Asian American Student Union - \$720 Programming Allocations Committee - \$720

Senate Bill #: 67

Primary Sponsor: Rowan Co-Sponsor(s): Kariher Date: June 27, 2022

Purpose & Description: A Bill to Establish Regulations on the Formation and Operation of Bureaus in Order to Ensure Tangible Outcomes by Student Government Bureaus.

Statute Number(s): §900.1, 900.2, 900.3, 900.4

Be it Enacted by the Seventy-Fourth Student Senate,

Section 1. Student Body Statutes §900.1-5 are amended to read:

900.1 Creation and Purpose

A. This act shall be called the "Student Government Association Executive Bureau Act of 1991", hereinafter referred to as the "Executive Branch Act". The amendments to this act, as it relates to the creation of bureaus requiring tangible outcomes, be called the "Taking Ownership for Restoring Concrete and Hard-working Bureaus Act of 2022", hereinafter referred to as the "TORCH Act of 2022".

B. Purpose

To clearly define and delineate the nature of the student body support services known as bureaus and to distinguish them from other administrative units within the Student Government Association.

C. Scope

This act shall become, upon its enactment, fully binding. All entities discussed shall be subject to the provisions contained herein as well as all relevant legislation.

900.2 Definitions

A. Bureau: A bureau is an administrative division of the Executive Branch created as a direct support service for the student body as a whole and is responsible for educating, representing, and facilitating programming, and

- providing tangible outcomes in areas deemed of exceptional importance to the Student Body. for special interest groups
- B. Tangible: Any outcome that provides real resources, opportunities, and value for members of the Student Body, as a whole. General advocacy on behalf of a specific interest group, in the absence of providing real outcomes or opportunities to the Student Body, in not tangible, as it relates to the contents of this Title.

900.3 Creation

- A. Student Government Association bureaus are created in bill form, as additions to the Student Body Statutes, Title IX Student Government Association Executive Bureaus. Each bureau shall have its own chapter within Title IX.
- B. The bill shall contain information of the Bureau's title, purpose, internal organizational structure, and a clear outline of what the Bureau's service or function is for the student body.
 - Upon introduction, the bill shall be referred to the Internal Affairs
 Committee for analysis as to the function, purpose, and future needs of
 the proposed bureau, as well as whether the proposed bureau can
 provide tangible outcomes to the Student Body. This analysis shall be
 completed by the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee, with
 consultation from their members, in the form of a report issued no later
 than ten (10) school days after the bill is given a first reading. Only upon
 publication of the report, or the expiration of the ten (10) school days, may
 the Internal Affairs Committee consider the bill. Should the report not find
 there to be any tangible outcomes, the bill shall only pass the Internal
 Affairs Committee with a two-thirds (2/3) vote. The bill shall also be
 referred to the Student Senate Finance Committee to determine financial
 feasibility, the Student Senate Judiciary Committee to review statutory
 compliance, and any other Senate standing committee pursuant to
 Senate Rules of Procedure.
- D. Upon creation, SGA bureaus shall be incorporated into the organizational structure of the Student Government Association Executive Branch and shall be immediately subject to all privileges and responsibilities inherent with bureau status.
- E. At the first election following the creation of a bureau, a binding referendum shall be placed on the ballot. The question shall be "Do you support the creation of the following Bureau: (NAME OF THE BUREAU)?" and the only voting options shall be "yes" or "no". Should there be a majority for "no", the bureau's statute shall be deemed as repealed and is void upon certification of the election.

Senate Bill #: 68

Primary Sponsor: Rowan Co-Sponsor(s): Kariher Date: June 27, 2022

Purpose & Description: A Bill to Codify that Resolutions Amending the Senate's Rules of Procedure Shall be Binding and Have Immediate Effect.

Statute Number(s): §400.1, 401.1

Be it Enacted by the Seventy-Fourth Student Senate,

Section 1. Student Body Statutes §400.1 is amended to read:

400.1 Senate Session

A. Fall, Spring, and Summer Meetings

The fall, spring, and summer meetings of the Student Senate shall begin on the second Wednesday in the respective semester and shall terminate on the Wednesday prior to finals week of the three semesters.

- B. Each Student Senate shall adopt its own Rules of Procedure, at the first meeting of the Senate after Fall Inauguration, in accordance with the Student Body Constitution and Statutes.
- C. Except for summer leave of absences, no leave of absence may exceed one week. No Senator may take more than three (3) leaves of absences in one semester. Further, absences accrued during any further leaves shall be considered unexcused absences. Special exceptions may be granted by the Rules and Calendar Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

Section 2. Student Body Statutes §401.1 is amended to read:

401.1 Resolutions

Resolutions shall be formal expressions of the opinion or will of the Senate. Resolutions shall be adopted by majority vote of the Senate. Changes to the Rules of Procedure must be done through resolution and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate. Changes to the Senate Rules of Procedure by

resolution shall be binding and have effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.

A. Resolutions shall not be written for the purpose of commending or condemning an individual(s) or organization(s) unless approved by majority of the Rules and Calendar Committee and two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.



Senate Bill #: 69

Primary Sponsor: Rivers

Co-Sponsor(s): Click or tap here to enter text.

Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Purpose & Description: To make it so, the incoming Senior Class is the voting body for the incoming Senior Class Council.

Statute Number(s): 701.1 Definitions

Statute/Amendment Text

L. Electorate - The electorate shall be the entire registered student body at FSU. The electorate shall be divided into divisions and special seats. Only those enrolled in a specific division may vote for Senate or COGS candidates seeking to may vote for Senate or COGS candidates seeking to represent that division. Only those enrolled as academic Juniors and Seniors who will be enrolled in the Senior Class the following academic year after the Spring Election shall be eligible to vote for candidates seeking office for the incoming Senior Class Council. All students may vote for candidates for campus-wide elected offices, as well as for Constitutional Amendments and Referenda.

Senate Bill #: 70

Primary Sponsor: Folwell

Co-Sponsor(s): Click or tap here to enter text.

Date: June 5, 2022

Purpose & Description: This bill addresses several issues in Chapter 302, regarding the Class Councils. Among these issues includes references to incorrect statutes, general legislative vagueness, conflation of an "officer" of the Class Councils and a "member-at-large" of the Class Councils, the application process timeline not adequately reflecting how applications have been handled, forcing a President of a Class Council wishing to resign to hand in a resignation to themselves, and general typos.

Statute Number(s): 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.7

Statute/Amendment Text

302.3 Membership

- A. Senior Class Council
 - The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Senior Class shall be officers of the SrCC.
 - a. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall have at least seventy-two (72) semester credit hours by the semester in which they run for office.
 - b. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be elected in the Spring Student Government Association elections as stipulated in Chapter 705.1 706.8 of the FSU Student Body Statutes.
 - c. All officers of the SrCC are to be enrolled as undergraduate students at Florida State University for the entire designated term of service.
 - 2. There shall be no fewer than five (5) and no more than ten (10) cabinet members at least five (5) members-at-large of the Senior Class Council selected by the President of the Senior Class with the majority approval of the remaining officers of

the SrCC. This selection process shall be completed within sixty (60) days of the SrCC Inauguration.

B. Junior Class Council

- 1. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be officers of the JCC.
 - a. The President Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall have at least 42 semester credit hours by the semester they run for office and must have been enrolled in FSU one year.
 - a. b. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be appointed through the application process as stated in Chapter 302.4 B-following the Spring Student Government Association elections.
 - b. c. All officers of the JSSCC are to be enrolled as undergraduate students at Florida State University the entire designation of their term of service.
- 12. There shall be up to no more than ten (10) members at-large cabinet members of the Junior Class Council selected by the President of the Junior Class with the mandatory approval of the remaining officers of JCC. This selection process shall be completed by the first week of classes for Summer Session A.

C. Sophomore Class Council

- 1. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be officers of the SoCC.
 - a. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall have at least twelve (12) semester credit hours by the semester they run for office.
 - The President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary shall be appointed through the application process as stated in Chapter 302.4 following the Spring Student Government Association elections.
 - c. All officers of the SoCC are to be enrolled as undergraduate students at Florida State University for the entire designation oftheir term of service.
- 2. There shall be up ten (10) members-at-large cabinet

members of the Sophomore Class Council selected by the President of the Sophomore Class with the mandatory approval of the remaining officers of SoCC. This selection process shallbe completed by the first week of classes for Summer Session A.

302.4 Selection and Term of Office

A. Senior Class Council

- All applications to run for the SrCC will follow the deadlines pursuant to Student Body Statutes Chapter 705.3 706.3.
- 2. The members officers and cabinet members of the SrCC shall hold office starting with their inauguration, or their appointment, and ending with the end of the Spring Semester following their inauguration, or the inauguration of a new SrCC, whichever comes first from the time of their appointment until the end of the Spring Semester one year from the start of their term. The members officers and cabinet members of the SrCC shall fundraise and represent the respective graduating classes encompassed within their term. (Summer, Fall, and Spring).
- 3. Cabinet members of the SrCC shall be selected by the President of the Senior Class with approval by the majority of the remaining officers of the SrCC. At least five (5) cabinet members of the SrCC shall be approved by the beginning of the Fall Semester.

B. Junior Class Council

- 1. All applications for the JCC must be publicly released no later than two weeks before Spring Inauguration within five (5) business days after the Spring Student Government election.

 Completed applications must be received by the newly elected SrCC no later than 5 p.m., ten (10) business days after the applications are released. The newly elected SrCC shall receive all completed applications by their inauguration, as well as any new applications as they come in. The deadline for applications may be postponed, for up to one (1) week under extreme circumstances.
- 2. The <u>members officers and cabinet members</u> of the JCC shall hold office <u>starting with their confirmation by</u> the Student Senate, or their appointment, and ending

with the end of the Spring Semester following the inauguration of the reigning SrCC, or the confirmation of a new President or Vice President of the Junior Class, whichever comes first from the time of their appointment until the end of the Spring Semester one (1) year from the start of their term. The members officers and cabinet members of the JCC shall fundraise and represent the respective upcoming graduating classes encompassed within their term (Summer, Fall and Spring).

Selection

- a. Once the incoming Senior Class has been elected they may, with the Advisor of the Class Councils and the Student Body Vice President-elect, begin conducting interviews for the positions of President and Vice President of the Junior Class.
- b. Once the incoming SrCC has been inaugurated, that person the President of the Senior Class must, within ten (10) business days, submit nominations for the positions of President and Vice President of the Junior Class to the Student Body President and Chief of Staff for appointment, with confirmation by the Student Senate.
 - Interviews for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer of the Junior Class will be held by the newly appointed President and Vice President of the Junior Class `and the Advisor of the Class Councils at the discretion of the SrCC.
- d. Once the President and Vice President of the Junior Class have been confirmed, this person the President of the Junior Class shall appoint the Treasurer and Secretary of the Junior Class.
- e. Cabinet members of the JCC shall be selected by the President of the Junior Class with approval by the majority of the remaining officers of the JCC. Cabinet members of the JCC shall not be selected or approved until the Treasurer and Secretary of the Junior Class have been appointed.

C. Sophomore Class Council

 All applications for the SoCC must be publicly released <u>no later than two weeks before Spring</u> Inauguration within five (5) business days after the Spring Student Government election.

Completed applications must be received by the newly elected SoCC no later than 5 p.m. ten (10) business days after the applications are released. The newly elected SrCC shall receive all completed applications by their inauguration, as well as any new applications as they come in. The deadline for applications may be postponed, for up to one (1) week,under extreme circumstances.

2. The members officers and cabinet members of the SoCC shall hold office starting with their confirmation by the Student Senate, or their appointment, and ending with the end of the Spring Semester following the inauguration of the reigning SrCC, or the confirmation of a new President or Vice President of the Sophomore Class, whichever comes first from the time of their appointment until the end of the Spring Semester one (1) year from the start of their term. The members officers and cabinet members of the SoCC shall fundraise and represent the respective upcoming graduating classes encompassed within their team (Summer, Fall, and Spring).

3. Selection

a. Once the incoming Senior Class has been elected they may, with the Advisor of the Class Councils and the Student Body Vice President-elect, begin conducting interviews for the positions of President and Vice President of the Sophomore Class.

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- b. Once the incoming SrCC has been inaugurated, they the President of the Senior Class must, within ten (10) business days, submit nominations for the positions of President and Vice President of the Sophomore Class to the Student Body President and Chief of Staff for appointment, with confirmation by the Student Senate.
- c. Interviews for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer of the Sophomore Class will be held by the newly appointed President and Vice President of the Sophomore Class at the discretion of the

- <u>SrCC</u> and the Advisor of the Class Councils.
- d. Once the President and Vice President of the Sophomore Class have been confirmed, they the President of the Sophomore Class shall appoint the Treasurer and Secretary of the Sophomore Class.
- e. Cabinet members of the SoCC shall be selected by the President of the Sophomore Class with approval by the majority of the remaining officers of the SoCC. Cabinet members of the SoCC shall not be selected or approved until the Treasurer and Secretary of the Sophomore Class have been appointed.

302.5 Duties and Responsibilities of the Class Councils

- A. Senior Class Council
 - The SrCC shall strive to keep all Seniors informed and apprised of all graduation requirements and deadlines.
 - 2. The SrCC shall raise funds for the Senior Class gift.
 - 3. The SrCC shall provide programming to build community and pridefor graduating year and/or benefit of the members of the Senior Class.
 - 4. The SrCC shall meet at least twice a month.
 - The SrCC shall provide guidance and information to the Junior and Sophomore Class Councils and students of the university who are interested in being a part of the entity.
 - The SrCC shall work with the Homecoming Executive Council to choose and present a gift on behalf of their class to the President of Florida State University during the Homecoming Faculty and Staff reception in the Fall.
 - 7. The SrCC shall send one of their officers or cabinet members to give monthly updates to the Student Senate about the current projects and upcoming goals of the SoCC, JCC, and SrCC.

302.7 Resignations

- A. In order for an officer or cabinet member of the Class Councils to resign, the resigning person must submit a The resigning member of the Class Councils must submit a resignation to the President of their respective council at least two (2) weeks in advance, along with any relevant information in the form of a letter. If the resigning member is the President of the JCC or SoCC, they shall submit their resignation to the President of the SrCC. If the resigning member is the President of the SrCC, they shall submit their resignation to the Student Body President.
- B. One (1) week prior to the officer's final day, the officer shall submit all documents pertaining to the position and shall facilitate a proper transition for the new officer.

