

73rd STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: 57

Primary Sponsor: Gonzalez

Co-Sponsor(s): Berger, Bettley, Keyser, Lewis, Riguidel, Tackett

Date: 09/27/2021

Purpose & Description: Pursuant to SBS § 416.3(B) this bill represents the estimated amount in the budget to be submitted to the Student Senate President for Budget Committee Allocation for the fiscal year of 2022-23.

Estimated amount to be allocated by the Budget Committee for 2022-2023: \$14,615,441.00





73rd STUDENT SENATE Allocation, Revision or Transfer Form

Bill #: 58

Primary Sponsor: Harmon Co-Sponsor(s): Wang

Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount: \$635.00

From (account name): Senate Projects

To (account name): IClicker

Purpose & Description: To purchase IClicker access codes. This would improve voting for Senators both virtually and in person. Not only would this improve accessibility for Senators but for the Student body to have accurate voting results. Lastly, this would ease the burden the Protempore has when doing Senate voting results.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
127	IClicker Access Code	\$5.00
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73RD STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 73
Primary Sponsors: Preshia and Tsouroukdissian
Co-Sponsors:
Date:

Whereas: Legislation is tabled in committee for extended periods of time due to the Senators not showing up to committee to present it, and

Whereas: Senators are frustrated due to their time not being respected due to legislation being read without sponsorship, and

Whereas: Florida State University communities affected by legislation feel frustrated that their voice is not able to be heard concerning the resolution, and

Whereas: Florida State University Student Senate understands how busy senators may be and how schedules may conflict with set committee times, therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-Third Student Senate at Florida State University that: the following changes be made to the 73rd Student Senate Rules of Procedure, adding rules 10.18 and rule 10.19:

RULE TEN - Submission and Consideration of Measures

10.1 Definitions:

- **a.** A "Constitutional Amendment" shall be any measure proposing a change, deletion or addition to the Student Body Constitution.
- **b.** A "Bill" shall be any measure proposing an amendment to the Student Body Statutes or any measure appropriating money.
- **c.** "Resolutions" shall be any substantive measure which is not a bill, or constitutional amendment.
- d. A "Nomination" shall be the name of any person who has been named to candidacy to fill a vacant position in Student Government that requires confirmation by the Senate.
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- **e.** "Confirmation" shall be defined as the approval of a nominee by the Senate, in which case the nominee shall then immediately assume office.
- **f.** "Statement of Dissent" shall be defined as a written explanation expressing disagreement with any motion, action, or measure made by majority decision of the Senate.
- 10.2 A Senator shall file all bills, constitutional amendments or resolutions for consideration by the

Senate in the manner prescribed by statute and these Senate Rules.

- **10.3** Any bill or resolution filed on time shall be drawn up by the Senate Program Assistant and distributed to members of the Senate via email and/or packets distributed to Senate.
- **10.4** Any bills affecting Student Government funds which are restrictive shall state all restrictions, earmarks, stipulations and provisions as part of the body of the bill.
- 10.5 All appropriations bills, unless they concern the Senate accounts, must be accompanied by an information form detailing the need for the money, the specific uses for the money, and alternative methods of funding which have been investigated. Any bill appropriating money to a student organization shall include a copy of their expense statement. This information shall be provided and signed by a member of the requesting group or organization and shall be provided at the time bills are placed on first reading.
- 10.6 All bills and resolutions shall include a statement of legislative intent. All bills and resolutions shall be written in "people-first" language. No bill shall be placed on second reading without a statement of legislative intent or without "people-first" language.
 - **10.7** All constitutional amendments, bills, and resolutions shall be submitted on the appropriate forms as designated by the President.
- 10.8 Any measure being brought before the Senate for the first time shall be placed on first reading, unless otherwise moved. Measures will be considered read by publication, unless a senator objects and moves that a bill be read in its entirety by the presiding officer. After first reading, all measures will be referred pursuant to rule 5.08.
 - **10.9** Any measure reported out of committee(s) and committee amendments shall be placed on second reading. Any measure on second reading is in order for consideration by the Senate.
- 10.10 Confirmations: All nominees to Student Government offices requiring Senate confirmation shall have their completed applications forwarded to the appropriate Senate committee for consideration. The committee shall interview and question the nominee and then vote on whether to recommend approval or rejection of the nominee to the full Senate. Following the vote of the committee, all nominees shall be called to the floor of the Senate at its next meeting and may be questioned by any Senator wishing to do so, for a period of time to be determined by the presiding officer. Following questions, any Senator shall move to confirm the nominees individually.
 - a. Prior to any vote for confirmation being taken, but after the questioning period has expired, any Senator may move to enter into a period of pro/con debate on any of the nominees, which must be approved by a majority vote of the Senate. Such a motion shall state which nominees are to be debated, and they shall be permitted to remain in the Senate Chamber during debate if they so choose. After all rounds of debate have expired, each nominee being debated shall have five (5) minutes to give a closing statement as to why they should be confirmed.
 - **b.** At no time shall the presiding officer allow any debate that involves personal attacks or slander against a nominee, although pertinent debate related to character and suitability for office shall be permitted.
- **10.11** The primary sponsor of any bill, constitutional amendment or resolution may withdraw consideration of the document from the Calendar of the Senate at any time.

- **10.12 Amendments:** Any amendment to a measure must be submitted to the Senate Programs Assistant in written form and must contain the number or title of the measure to be amended, the exact language of the proposed amendment including that which shall be inserted, deleted, and/or substituted.
 - **a.** Motions to amend shall be made during any round of debate and shall require a second. If the proposed amendment is not objected to, the presiding officer shall ask the primary sponsor if the amendment is favorable. If the sponsor assents, the original measure shall be amended and debate shall proceed on the measure as amended.
 - **b.** If the motion to amend is objected to and/or the sponsor does not find the amendment favorable, debate on the primary measure shall halt and the Senate shall consider the amendment as a stand-alone measure. The Senator who made the motion to amend shall be considered the sponsor for purposes of debate.
 - 1. Debate on the amendment shall not address the merits of the original measure, unless it is pertinent to the merits of the amendment. Additionally, questions and points of information should only inquire on the facts of the amendment itself.
 - **c.** A motion to amend shall require a majority vote to pass.
 - **d.** An amendment may be amended following the same procedure above, but a motion to amend an amendment to an amendment shall not be entertained.
 - e. All amendments that appropriate or transfer funds to organizations that are not part of the originally submitted bill must be individually debated on the Senate floor, regardless if the sponsor accepts them as friendly or unfriendly. Such amendments shall require the normal majority vote of the Senate to become part of the main bill.
 - **f.** Any amendment(s) failed, by vote of committee members, during committee business may not be re-introduced for consideration during the second hearing of a bill or resolution unless 1/10th of Senators present rise in support of the amendment.
- 10.13 Committee caucus: The Senate may, at any time following the proper motion, move to committee caucus for the purpose of expediting the consideration of any measure. A motion to move to committee caucus for fifteen (15) minutes or less shall require a majority vote of the Senate. A motion to move to committee caucus for more than fifteen minutes shall require a two-thirds vote of the Senate. The President, or other presiding officer, shall reconvene the Senate at the end of the allocated caucus time.
- 10.14 Committee of the whole: Any Senator may, at any time, move to meet as a committee of the whole for the purpose of discussing any Senate business. A motion to convene as a committee of the whole may pass by consent or, if objected to, shall require a two-thirds vote of the Senate. A motion to adjourn such a committee meeting and return to a regular Senate meeting shall require a majority vote.
 - ${\bf a.}$ The President shall preside over a committee of the whole, unless they choose to relinquish the chair. $_{_{27}}$
 - **b.** The President Pro Tempore shall act as the Vice Chair of a committee of the whole, unless they choose to relinquish their position.
 - **c.** If a motion is made to enter a committee of the whole for the purpose of confirming a nomination pursuant to Rule 10.10, wherein the office nominated for receives OPS

- wages, the Senate shall require a two-thirds vote to enter the committee after such a motion is seconded.
- **d.** When the Senate reconvenes, any senator may move to accept the decision of the committee as the decision of the whole

10.15 Statements of Dissent

Any senator may, during New Business, move to add a Statement of Dissent into the record.

- **a**. The statement must solely address a singular action, motion, or measure made during that session
- **b.** There may only be one statement submitted per any action, motion, or measure **c.** Senators who did not make the motion on the floor may cosign the Statement with the consent of the Senator who made the motion
- **d.** The statement must be submitted to the Senate Program Assistant two (2) school days following the session of the senate when the motion was made
- **e.** If the Senate Program Assistant finds the Statement to be in violation of The Senate Conduct code, they may withhold its inclusion to the journal
- 10.16 A resolution recognizing all Florida State University students that have deceased shall be heard on the floor of the Senate during the meeting prior to the last Senate meeting of the session, or "Sine Die."
 - a. The list of students will be provided by the SGA Director.
 - **b.** This resolution shall be proposed and advertised one (1) week prior to it being heard.
 - **c.** This resolution shall be referred to the Student Affairs Committee after its first reading and shall be reported out of the committee in one (1) week.
 - **d.** No other resolutions recognizing students that have passed shall be considered unless this rule is waived by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate.
- 10.17 Senate Naming Procedure: Any Senator may, at any time during New Business, make a motion to create a Naming ad hoc committee the name for any Senate title, award, or recognition, any title of an SGA Office, Agency, Bureau, or Affiliated project, and any other entity outlined in Student Body Statutes. For the motion to be accepted, ten senators must stand in support of the formation of a naming committee. A committee will be formed, on which, at least, one representative from each of the standing committees must be part of the ad hoc committee.

The committee must:

- a. The Senate President will appoint a chair who must notify agency and bureau directors of an ongoing naming process. The chair must encourage them to invite their members and affiliates to offer input to the committee. The chair will also share the naming meeting time, location, and minutes with all agency and bureau directors.
 - **b.** Gather student feedback. Student feedback can come from the agencies, bureaus, 28 and/or campus wide surveys, social media posts, or other outlets of expression. A real and concerted effort to collect student feedback must be proven and retained as part of the documents submitted with the final legislation.

- **c.** Present a resolution for the proposed name change to Rules and Calendar, where the committee must include student input, student survey feedback, articles, interviews, awards and accolades, (if applicable) regarding the subject that is in question.
- **d.** Pending approval in Rules and Calendar, the resolution of the proposed award name change will be forwarded to senate as a whole for a vote.
- **10.18** A primary sponsor can designate a new primary sponsor if their schedule does not allow them to defend their legislation.
- 10.19 If a sponsor of a legislation does not show up after three Senate, or committee meetings then the committee or Senate has the option to remove the legislation from the calendar upon a two-thirds(2/3) vote.

Be it further resolved that: that the rule change applies to resolutions that have currently been tabled for more than three Senate meetings.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to:

Nastassia "Tazzy" Janvier, Florida State University Student Body President

Colbi Thykadavil, Florida State University Student Body Vice President

Kahleel Gray, Florida State University Student Body Treasurer

Alexander Harmon, Florida State University Student Senate President

Renee Wang, Florida State University Student Senate Pro-Tempore

Dr. Felicia Williams, Florida State University Director of Student Engagement