

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

73RD STUDENT SENATE

Senate Bill #: 5 Primary Sponsor: Villacorta

A revision to the Student Body Statutes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY THIRD STUDENT SENATE THAT:

Refining Statute 400.5 regarding the Statutory definitions of Majority and Two Thirds to line up with Roberts Rules and general best practices

Read 1st Time: Referred to Committee: Judiciary 1/13 Committee Report: Passed Judiciary 1/22 Read 2nd Time: 1/27 Senate Vote: Unanimous Consent Alexander Harmon OFFICIAL: Student Senate President PASSED: JANUARY 22ND, 2021 IRES ARTES **CERTIFIED TO THE STUDENT BODY** DocuSigned by: 2/11/2021 | 4:10 PM EST Jonathan Luin 1B650CE32A8A4B2 President of the Student Body Date DocuSigned by: 2/12/2021 | 8:38 AM EST Dr. Brandon Bowden Director of the Student Governance & Advocacy Date DocuSigned by: Ir amy Hecht Vice President Affairs Date

Statute/Amendment Text

400.5 "Majority" and "Two-Thirds" Votes

A majority vote shall be more than half of the votes cast by Senators entitled to vote, excluding abstentions, at any properly called meeting at which a quorum is present. A two-thirds (2/3) vote shall be at least two-thirds of the votes cast by Senators entitled to vote, excluding abstentions, at any properly called meeting at which a quorum is present. In the case that 25% or more of the votes cast are abstentions, a re-vote is necessary. After three (3) consecutive votes, if no decision is made, the bill will be sent back to committee.

A. In the case that a piece of legislation is on the floor for Second Reading where a vote requires either a majority or two-thirds vote of votes cast, but a majority or two-thirds vote is not met of all Senators present, and 25% or more Senators present have abstained, a revote is necessary. After two (2) additional votes, if no decision is made, the legislation shall be sent to a committee as though it were on first reading.