



The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

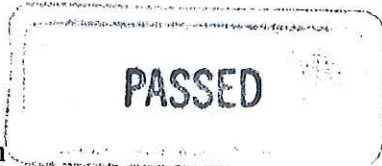
S.B. 69-17

The Student Senate
69th Session
Texas A&M University


Introduced By: Kasey Khoobiar, Liberal Arts

Sponsored By: W Lander, Corps of Cadets
Lauren Powers, College of Education and Human Development
Alexander Rodriguez, Liberal Arts
Olivia Krog, Off-Campus
Alan Hernandez, On-Campus
Clark Finney, Speaker Pro-tempore
Chair Cameron Rozean, Rules and Regulations
Jasmine Wang, Off-Campus
Grayson Blair, Liberal Arts
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Bri Ferguson, Geosciences
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Action Taken



Certified By:


Joseph Hood
Speaker of the Senate

The Above Reproach Act

"An Act requiring Senate meetings to be alcohol-free."

Whereas(1): The presence or consumption of alcohol at an official meeting of the TAMU Student Senate is extremely unprofessional and doesn't reflect the serious nature of the work of the body,



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Whereas(2): No other credible organization on campus, especially one that represents and serves the student body in the scope in which the TAMU Student Senate does, condones alcohol consumption during official meetings or holds meetings at locations in which the main profit of the business comes from alcohol sales; and,

Whereas(3): The TAMU Student Senate has historically had issues with holding meetings at bars, drinking before and during meetings, attending events with the administration while intoxicated, and amending the code and other legislation while intoxicated.

Whereas(4): The aforementioned issues have damaged the reputation of the Senate in the eyes of the student body and hindered Senate's relationship with the administration, both of which lessen our ability to be effective advocates for students. A commitment to alcohol-free meetings would be a great first step in recovering the ground we have lost.

Therefore

Let it be

Enacted(1): Let Article IV, section VI, part (e) of the Senate By-Laws be amended to read

(e) Each Senator must serve on exactly one (1) of the Legislative Committees (Rules and Regulations Committee, Student Services Committee, Academic Affairs Committee, Community Relations Committee, Constituency Affairs Committee, Finance Committee, and Legislative Affairs Committee). Committee Chairmen shall be responsible for holding a meeting between each Senate meeting. In accordance with the Aggie values of integrity and selfless service, these meetings must not be held at a location in which the 51% or more of the profit comes from the sale of alcohol, nor will alcohol consumption during these meetings be allowed. In the event that a Committee Chairman considers meeting unnecessary, he or she shall report such to the Speaker and announce the cancellation at the prior week's Senate meeting; and,

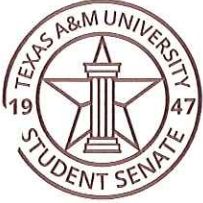
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Further

Enacted (2):

Let Article IX, section I, part (a) of the Senate By-Laws be amended to:

(a) The Officers of the Senate shall deal with all internal business of the Senate. The Speaker Pro-Tempore shall be the presiding officer of



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these proceedings. All Internal Affairs Committee meetings shall be announced at least one week in advance, and the time and location shall not be changed except by a unanimous vote of the Internal Affairs Committee. In accordance with the Aggie values of integrity and selfless service, these meetings must not be held at a location in which the 51% or more of the profit comes from the sale of alcohol, nor will alcohol consumption during these meetings be allowed. ; and,

**Let it be
Further
Enacted(3):**

A copy of this bill be sent to:
Speaker Joseph Hood
Rules and Regulations Chairman Cameron Rozean
President Michael K. Young