S.B. 69-21

The Student Senate 69th Session Texas A&M University

Introduced By:

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Action Taken

Speaker of the Senate

Duly Approved:

Hannah Wimberly Student Body President

Executive Vice President Act Special Designation: Constitution Act

"A bill to amend the Constitution."

Whereas(1): Currently there is only one duly elected Executive Branch Officer to represent a

student body of over 58,000 students and,

Whereas(2): The issue that an appointed member of the Executive Cabinet who was not

elected by the student body can become Student Body President before a member

elected by the Student Body and,

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Whereas(3): The Need of a Vice President that is chosen by the students of Texas A&M

University

Therefore

Let it be

Enacted(1):

Amend II S.G.A.C §001.2(2) (a) to read as follows:

"If the Student Body President is unable or unwilling to continue serving as Student Body President or to assume office, the office shall fall to the Student Body Executive Vice President, then to the Speaker of the Senate, then to the Speaker Pro-Tempore of the Senate, and finally to the Senate Rules and Regulations Chair. If none of these are willing and able to serve, then a member of the executive cabinet shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the executive cabinet present and voting at an announced meeting and confirmed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate membership present and voting at an announced meeting." and,

Let it be **Further**

Enacted(2):

Amend II S.G.A.C. §001.2(3) (i) to read as follows:

(i) Reporting to the Student Senate at every regularly scheduled general assembly meeting the status of all enacted statutes for the session of the Student Senate, the state of the student body, the operations of the Student Government, and for the purpose of answering questions. If unable to attend, this duty shall fall to the Student Body Executive Vice President. If neither the Student Body President or the Student Body Executive Vice President are unable to attend the Student Body President shall send a member of the executive cabinet to report to the Student Senate.

Let it be

Further

Enacted (3): Amend the Constitution by inserting II S.G.A.C §001.2(4-5) at the end of Article II, and have it read as follows:

"Section IV: The Student Body Executive Vice President

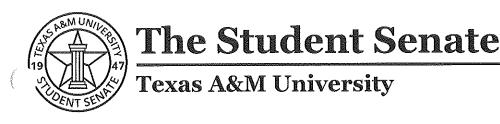
(a) The Chief Operations Officer of the Student Government Association shall be the Student Body Executive Vice President who shall be elected Senate Bill S.B. 69-21 – Page 3 of 5 Further Certified By:

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- (b) from the student body by an instant runoff vote during the spring student body elections as provided by statute.
- (c) The term of the Student Body Executive Vice President shall be in accordance with the length of the term of his corresponding session of the Student Senate, and the Student Body President.
- (d) The Student Body Executive Vice President shall have been enrolled at and in good standing with Texas A&M University for at least three (3) academic semesters (fall or spring) preceding his election to office. The spring academic semester during which the Student Body Executive Vice President is elected to office shall count towards his total.
- (e) If the Student Body Executive Vice President is unable or unwilling to continue serving as Student Body Executive Vice President or to assume office, the office shall be filled by the Speaker of the Senate, then the Speaker Pro-Tempore, and finally the Rules and Regulations Chair. If none of these are willing and able to serve, then a member of the executive cabinet shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the executive cabinet present and voting at an announced meeting and confirmed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate membership present and voting at an announced meeting.
- (f) The Executive Vice President shall assume the role of the Student Body President in the event that the Student Body President is unable or unwilling to continue serving as Student Body President or to assume office.

Section V. The Duties and Powers of the Student Body Executive Vice President shall include the following:

- (a) Shall assist the Student Body President in running and execution of the Student Government Association.
- (b) Exercise the powers and duties of the Student Body President in his/her absence.
- (c) Act as the Chief Operations Officer of the Student Government Association.
- (d) Keep complete and accurate accounts of all funds appropriated by the Student Senate.
- (e) The Student Body President may delegate additional duties to the Student Body Vice President. The Executive Vice President may not be assigned



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Speaker of the Senateor delegated the Student Body President's signing, veto, appointment, special session, contractual agreement, executive order, or proclamations of opinion powers."; and,

Let it be Further

Enacted(4): Amend II S.G.A.C. §001.5(3) (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The Student Body President, the Student Body Executive Vice President, and the members of the executive cabinet selected by the Student Body President shall hold seats on the Governance Council such that the number of seats held by the Executive Branch does not exceed the number held by the Legislative Branch." and,

Let it be Further

Enacted(5): Amend II S.G.A.C. §001.8(3) (a) to read as follows:

"(a) The Student Body President, or a member of the executive cabinet assigned for this purpose by the Student Body President and the Student Body Executive Vice President shall be responsible for the initial formulation of the Student Government Association budget in accordance with the statues."

Let it be Further

Enacted(6): Amend IV S.G.A.C §401(3) Section I (a) (1) to read as follows:

(1) The Student Body President's Representative shall be the Student Body Executive Vice President.

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Enacted(7): Amend IV S.G.A.C §601(3) Section V (a -) (1) to read as follows:

- (1) "Major Races" shall be defined as races in which every student may vote, regardless of class, residency, college, or any other demographic information. These include:
 - (i) Student Body President/Student Body Executive Vice President
 - (ii) Yell Leader
 - (2) A Minor Race is any race not classified as a Major Race.
 - (b) Student Government Association
 - (1) Student Body President and Student Body Vice President

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- (i) At the time of filing the candidates for Student Body President and Student Body Executive Vice President must have a minimum overall G.P.R. of 2.0 and post at least a 2.0 for the preceding semester
- (ii) The Student Body President and Student Body Executive Vice President shall have been registered at and in good standing with Texas A&M University for at least three (3) consecutive fall/spring semesters preceding his/her election to office.

Let it be Further

Enacted(8): This amendment will come into effect upon the Spring Elections in the Spring Semester of 2017.

Let it be Further

Enacted(9): A copy of this bill be sent to:

Hannah Wimberly, Student Body President Joseph Hood, Speaker of Student Senate

Cameron Rozean, Rules and Regulations Chair

Election Commissioner