

# The Student Senate

#### **Texas A&M University**

S.B. 70-39

### The Student Senate 70th Session Texas A&M University

Introduced By:	Rachel Keathley, Operations Executive Vice President
<b>Sponsored By:</b> and Life Sciences Car	Benjamin Johnson, Rules and Regulations Chair, College of Agriculture
Action Taken	PACCED  Certified By:  Jasmine Wang Speaker of the Segate
	Duly Approved:
	Bobby Brooks
	Student Body President
Intermittent Conduct Evaluation for SGA Entities Act	

"A bill providing accountability to organizations within SGA"

- Whereas(1): The Student Government Association operates as a cohesive entity comprised of three branches, four commissions, and thirteen committees, each with its own recognition criteria and cycles. and;
- Whereas(2): Student Senate recognizes that accountability for conduct processes outside of the student organization structure does not currently exist
- **Whereas(3):** It recognizes that the occasion may arise where SGA would need a process to review the membership of an executive branch entity outside of its committee evaluation cycle.



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**Further** 

Enacted(1): That V S.G.A.C. §107 be added to read:

Section I. Legislative Intent of this Particular Article

a) The Student Senate intends this Act to set forth guidelines for the evaluation of an executive branch committee at a time outside of the regularly scheduled committee evaluation process outlined in the executive branch bylaws.

Section II. Definitions

- a) For the purposes of this Article, the following words shall be ascribed the following meanings:
  - "Committee" shall refer to an executive branch committee or commission that is a recognized student organization that operates within Student Government.
  - "Evaluation Panel" shall refer to process in which a specified group of students required to evaluate an SGA committee every other year to ensure compliance and fit
  - 3) "Conduct process" shall refer to a external Stuact governed process that subjects all student organizations to compliance to student rules
  - 4) "Evaluation materials" shall refer to the materials requested in the committee evaluation process as outlined in the Executive branch bylaws.

Section III. The Committee Conduct Evaluation Policy and Proposal

- a) This article shall allow a panel to be called by the Student Body President to evaluate a committee at a time outside of their regular evaluation panel.
- b) This may be called at any time in the academic year in the case of an organization receiving a sanction due to conduct process or failure to uphold student rules; or any other issue deemed necessary for evaluation.
- c) The purpose of this article shall be to evaluate the committee as a whole, not a particular member.



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- d) The panel shall proceed in the manner outlined in the executive bylaws; however, it must adhere to the following guidelines
  - a) The panel must include an SGA advisor
  - b) Evaluation materials shall include an explanation of the issue as well as the committees steps to address it

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- e) Outcomes of the panel may include, but are not limited to:
  - a) Decision on the status of the committee as either "approved," "under review", or "recommended for removal"
  - b) Decision on sanctions of finances for the next allocation cycle
- f) The panel shall reconvene within a year if deemed necessary by the Student Body President.

Section IV. Execution of this Particular Article

a) Execution of the provisions of this article shall fall on the Student Body President and the cabinet position in charge of the committees and commissions.

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**Enacted(2):** A copy of this bill be sent to:

Benjamin Johnson, Rules and Regulations Chair, College of Agriculture

and Life Sciences Caucus

Rachel Keathley, Operations Executive Vice President

Bobby Brooks, Student Body President