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Texas A&M University

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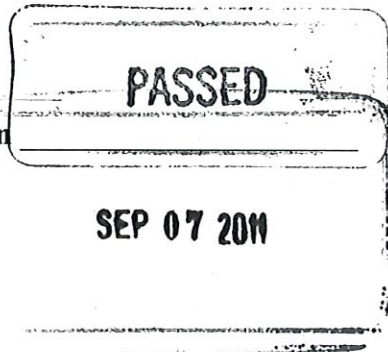
The Student Senate
64th Session
Texas A&M University

Senate Bill S.B. 64-04

Introduced By: Ryan Davenport
Executive Vice President

Sponsored By: Drew Barber,
Community Relations Chair

Action Taken



Certified By:

Tanner Wilson
Speaker of the Senate

Duly Approved:

Jeff Pickering
Student Body President

City of College Station Proposition No. 1 Opposition Bill

"A bill opposing a proposition by the City of College Station to determine if city elections should be held in the month of May in odd-numbered years ."

Whereas(1): The City of College Station has placed *Proposition 1* on the November municipal election ballot, which reads:

"FOR/AGAINST

Shall the Charter of the City of College Station be amended to provide for the regular election of the Mayor and City Council to be held in May of odd-numbered years with the Mayor and City Council Serving four (4) year term lengths for no more than eight (8) consecutive years?"

and,

Whereas(2): By voting "no" the City of College Station would be forced by Texas Senate Bill 100 to hold municipal elections in the month of November in odd-numbered years, with the Mayor and City Council members serving three (3) year terms; and,



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- Whereas(3):** Past municipal elections held in the month of May have coincided with final examinations for Texas A&M University students, or have been held after the last day of the semester when many students have travelled out of the city for educational opportunities like internships, jobs and study abroad programs; and,
- Whereas(4):** Other municipalities and governmental entities (Bryan ISD, City of Bryan) have moved their municipal elections to November to consolidate costs, which are shared with Brazos County; and,
- Whereas(5):** The City Secretary's office has estimated that by having municipal elections in the month of May, the City of College Station would not be able to share costs with other governmental entities, resulting in a higher financial burden (up to \$35,000) on College Station tax payers; and,
- Whereas(6):** By moving municipal elections to November, more students would be able to participate in said elections.

Therefore,

Let it be

Enacted(1): That the Student Senate, on behalf of the Student Body at Texas A&M University, opposes Proposition 1 and urges all students to vote "NO" on Proposition 1 in the City of College Station November Municipal Election; and,

Let it be

Further

Enacted(2): That the Student Senate, on behalf of the Student Body at Texas A&M University, authorizes the Office of the Student Body President to actively lobby against Proposition 1.