

Texas A&M University

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The Student Senate 64th Session Texas A&M University

Introduced By:

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Action Taken

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Student Body President

The Student Body and Student Government Policies and Proposals Act Special Designation: Act of the Senate

"An act organizing various Chapters of the Statutes of the Senate to accommodate statutes enacted by the Student Senate or the student body by referendum relating to various university and extra-university policies and proposals."

Whereas(1): The Student Senate has recently passed a statute expanding the subtitles of the

Statutes of the Senate to include a subtitle concerning policies and proposals that

do not expire at the conclusion of a session of the Student Senate; and,

Whereas(2): It is necessary to further organize this subtitle into defined Chapters to guide

Student Senators in locating where their statutes relating to certain types of

policies and proposals should be codified.

Therefore

Let it be

Enacted (1): That Title V Chapters 901 to 905 and 907 to 908 are created to read as follows

(underlining reflecting new provisions of the Code):

CHAPTER 901 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

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ARTICLE I. GENERAL LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Subtitle to organize the various permanent policies and proposals of the student body or the Student Government Association enacted by bills from the Student Senate or referendums from the student body that do not automatically expire at the conclusion of a session of the Student Senate.

SECTION II.

Suggestions Regarding Enacting Articles under this Subtitle

It is suggested that any unique policy or proposal under this Subtitle be enacted as (a) a separate Article under a relevant Chapter for ease of organization. It is also suggested that the Article clearly designate which sections contain policies or proposals. It is further suggested that each Article should include separate sections governing such topics as: legislative intent, definitions, the policy or proposal, execution of the particular Article, and judicial review of the particular Article.

ARTICLE II. GENERAL DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise provided within the context of any Article of this SECTION I. Subtitle, the following words shall be ascribed the following meanings:

(a) "Designee" of the Student Body President shall be defined as any member of the executive cabinet, any committee or commission of the executive branch, or any inferior executive office, the Student Body President designates, in writing, to fulfill the duties and powers established under any Article of this Subtitle.

ARTICLE III. GENERAL EXECUTION OF ARTICLES

SECTION I.

Unless otherwise provided within the context of any Article of this Subtitle, any Article under this Subtitle shall automatically be repealed and removed from the Student Government Association Code ninety (90) days after the occurrence of any of the following:

- If the Student Body President, or his or her designee, submits, in writing and (a) during a fall or spring academic semester, a letter to the membership of the Student Senate stating that all of the policies or proposals contained in the particular Article have been substantially accomplished.
 - If the Article only contains alternative policies or proposals, the particular (1) Article shall expire pursuant to this Section if the letter states that either of the alternative policies or proposals contained in the particular Article have been substantially accomplished.
 - The letter shall include the Student Body President's specific reasoning for (2) claiming that the policies or proposals described in the particular Article were substantially accomplished.



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- (3) The letter shall also be made available to the student body by a posting on the Student Government Association website within seven (7) days of its submission to the membership of the Student Senate.
- (4) The Student Senate may nullify a letter under this Section, and the corresponding repeal of the particular Article, by a majority vote of the Student Senate membership present and voting at an announced meeting by resolution providing at least one specific reason for the nullification.
- (5) For the purposes of this Section, all days occuring between the conclusion of a spring academic semester and the beginning of the immediately following fall academic semester (summer session) shall not be counted.

ARTICLE IV. GENERAL JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ARTICLES

SECTION I. The Judicial Court shall have jurisdiction to hear any compliant by any student concerning the failure of the Student Body President, or his or her designee, to comply with any provision of any Article of this Subtitle or to execute the provisions of any Article of this Subtitle in good faith.

SECTION II. General Statute of Limitations

(a) Unless otherwise provided for in the context of any particular Article under this Subtitle, no complaint under any Article of this Subtitle, however, may be entertained by the Judicial Court that is directly based on any action or inaction by the Student Body President, or his or her designee, that occurred more than ninety (90) days before the date the complaint is submitted to the Judicial Court.

CHAPTER 902 - ACADEMIC AFFAIRS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning academic affairs at Texas A&M University and the Texas A&M University System, the Texas A&M University

Administration officers, the faculty of Texas A&M University, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to academic affairs.

CHAPTER 903 – COMMUNITY RELATIONS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning community relations between the student body of



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Texas A&M University and the cities of College Station, TX and Bryan, TX, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to community relations.

CHAPTER 904 – LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning legislative affairs between the student body of Texas A&M University and the Texas State Legislature, the Texas State Government, the United States Congress, the United States Government, and any other governing institution or foreign government, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to legislative affairs.

CHAPTER 905 - STUDENT FEES POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to codify all policies and proposals concerning student fees, both academic and non-academic in nature at Texas A&M University, including both rates and allocations, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to student fees.

CHAPTER 907 – TUITION POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning tuition at Texas A&M University, including rates and allocations, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to tuition.

CHAPTER 908 – UNIVERSITY RULES AND REGULATIONS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning university rules and regulations at Texas A&M University and the Texas A&M University System, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to university rules and regulations.

Let it be

Further

Enacted (2): That Title V Chapter 906 of the Student Government Association Code is amended by: moving the entirety of the Sul Ross Penny Act under a new Article II entitled "The Zachary Johnson Sul Ross Penny Act" by making all Articles into Sections, all Sections into Sub-Sections, and all Sub-Sections into Numbers; by renaming the title of the Chapter to "Student Services Policies and Proposals;" and by creating a new Article I that reads as follows:

CHAPTER 906 – STUDENT SERVICES POLICIES AND PROPOSALS

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ARTICLE I. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

SECTION I.

The Student Senate intends this Chapter to organize all policies and proposals concerning student services at Texas A&M University, including, but not limited to, dining services, transportation services, the university center, and the recreational sports center, and any other statutes it may enact reasonably relating to student services.

ARTICLE II. THE ZACHARY JOHNSON SUL ROSS PENNY ACT