S.B. 72-07

Texas A&M University The Student Senate 72nd Session

Implementation of a Fall Break Bill

"A bill to implement a "fall break" into Texas A&M's fall academic calendar."

Action Taken

Certified By:

Eric Mendoza

Speaker of the Senate

Date Passed: 12/04/14

Duly Approved:

Mikey Jaillet

Student Body President

Introduced By:

Mikey Jaillet, Student Body President

Eric Mendoza, Speaker of the Student Senate

Sponsored By:

Suyash Gupta, Executive Director of Operations, Off-Campus Caucus

Colton Mandel, Off-Campus Caucus

Tate Banks, Academic Affairs Chair, Off-Campus Caucus

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Clarissa Rodriguez, Diversity and Inclusion Chair, College of Engineering John Ryan Rodriguez, Legislative Affairs Chair, College of Agriculture

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Sam Jefferis, Engineering Caucus Iman Ahmed, Off Campus Caucus

Whereas(1): The Southeastern Conference has fourteen universities; nine of whom have a "fall break" in their academic calendars; and,



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Whereas(2): The nine peer universities with "fall breaks" are the University of Arkansas, Auburn University, University of Georgia, University of Kentucky, Louisiana State University, Mississippi State University, University of South Carolina, University of Tennessee, and Vanderbilt University; and,

Whereas(3): Texas A&M University's fall academic calendar is sixteen weeks long with no holidays included, other than Thanksgiving break and reading days associated with examinations, making the total number of holidays for the fall semester two; and,

Whereas(4): Texas A&M University's spring academic calendar is seventeen weeks long with one holiday other than spring break and the reading days associated with examinations, making the total number of holidays in the spring semester six; and,

Whereas(5): Having a "fall break" added to Texas A&M Universities fall academic calendar would give students the ability to rest and focus on their mental health after recent midterms.

Therefore Let it be

Enacted(1): The Texas A&M University Student Government Association requests that the Office of the Registrar, along with the Office of the Provost add a "fall break" to the fall 2020 academic calendar that does not affect the current Thanksgiving break; and,

Let it be Further

Enacted (2): For the convenience of Texas A&M University staff and faculty The Texas A&M University Student Government Association requests that the new "fall break" be scheduled in the month of October in alignment with local school districts holidays; and,

Let it be Further

Enacted (3): The Texas A&M University Student Government Association looks forward to working with the offices of the President, Provost, and Registrar to implement a "fall break".

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Let it be Further

Enacted(4): A copy of this bill be sent to:

President Michael K. Young

Dr. Carol A. Fierke, Provost and Executive Vice-President

Venesa A. Heidick, Registrar of Texas A&M University

Dr. Andrew Klein, Speaker of the Faculty Senate

The Battalion