Texas A&M University
The Student Senate
73rd Session

Reapportionment of Senate Caucuses Act

"An act amending the caucus numbers through the reapportionment process."

S.A. 73-09

Action Taken: PASSED

Certified By: Zachary McCue
Speaker of the Senate

Date Passed: 04-14-2021

Duly Approved: Eric Mendoza
Student Body President

Introduced By: Meghan Hein, Rules & Regulations Chair, COALS Caucus

Sponsored By: Sam Jefferis, Academic Affairs Chair, Engineering Caucus

Whereas(1): The Student Government Association’s Student Senate is tasked with allocating seats proportionally based on current enrollment numbers in order to properly represent our constituents; and,

Whereas(2): They should do so in the manner outlined in the student senate bylaws by III S.G.A.C. § 001.3(2); and,

Whereas(3): As of Fall 2020, Texas A&M University College Station and Texas A&M University Health Science Center had a total enrollment of 67,067 according to accountability.tamu.edu; and,
Whereas(4): The caucus allocations have been amended to reflect the enrollment numbers within each individual college.

Therefore
Let it be
Enacted(1): That V S.G.A.C. §001.3(1) be amended to read:

SECTION I. Senate Apportionment

(a) Student Senate membership shall consist of eighty (80) Senators elected by a plurality vote through the following representational guidelines:

(1) The thirty-nine (39) college representatives shall be:

(i) College of Agriculture and Life Sciences- The four (4) seats shall be four (4) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

(ii) College of Architecture- The two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Architecture

(iii) Lowry Mays School of Business - The three (3) seats shall be three (3) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Business Administration

(iv) College of Education- The four (4) seats shall be four (4) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Education

(v) The Dwight Look College of Engineering- The eleven (11) seats shall be eleven (11) currently enrolled students at-large within the Dwight Look College of Engineering

(vi) Transition Academic Programs - The two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at large within the Transition Academic Programs at the time of their respective elections.

(vii) Colleges of Science - two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Science
(viii) College of Geo-Sciences – The two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Geo-Science.

(ix) College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences - The two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

(x) College of Liberal Arts-The five (5) seats shall be five (5) currently enrolled students at-large within the College of Liberal Arts and the Bush School of Government and Public Service.

(xi) The Health Science Center – The two (2) seats shall be two (2) currently enrolled students at-large within the Texas A&M Health Science Center.

(b) The thirty-nine (39) housing representatives shall be:

(1) The seven (7) six (6) on-campus representatives shall be drawn from:

(i) On-Campus - Competition for the five (5) four (4) at-large seats shall be divided among non-Cadets members living in Residence Halls managed by Texas A&M ResLife.

(ii) Corps Residence Hall - Competition for the two (2) at-large seats shall be divided among members of the Corps of Cadets living on campus.

(iii) The off-campus Corps members shall vote for and elect three (3) Senators.

(2) Off-Campus representatives – Thirty-two (32) Thirty-three (33) seats shall be thirty-two (32) Thirty-three (33) off-campus residents at-large.

(c) Freshman representatives - The two (2) seats shall be two (2) students of freshman classification at-large.

(d) No apportionment bill may be accepted that provides for fewer than two (2) Senate seats for any caucus, without removing that caucus from the Senate; and,
Let it be
Further

Enacted(2): A copy of this bill be sent to:
Meghan Hein, Rules and Regulations Chair
Cara Maxwell, Election Commissioner
Eric Mendoza, Student Body President