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A BILL
TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATE RULES OF ORDER, ADDING A NEW RULE 6.7.

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, IN THE STUDENT SENATE RULES OF ORDER IT CURRENTLY STATES THAT LEGISLATIVE INSTRUMENTS CAN ONLY BE SENT TO ONE STANDING COMMITTEE, UNLESS A MOTION IS MADE TO SEND THAT PIECE OF LEGISLATION TO MORE THAN ONE STANDING COMMITTEE; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, IF THE MOTION IS MADE TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND SEND A PIECE OF LEGISLATION TO MORE THAN ONE STANDING COMMITTEE, THEN A JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING SHALL BE CALLED; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, THE NEW RULE 6.7 “JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS” SHALL READ:

RULE 6.7 JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

A. IF ANY SENATOR MOVES FOR A PIECE OF LEGISLATION TO BE JOINTLY REFERRED TO MORE THAN ONE STANDING COMMITTEE, AND THAT MOTION PASSES THE BODY BY A 2/3 VOTE, A JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING BETWEEN THE COMMITTEES INVOLVED MUST BE CALLED.

B. IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE INVOLVED COMMITTEE CHAIRS TO DESIGNATE A MEETING TIME THAT WORKS FOR ENOUGH OF THE COMMITTEES TO CONSTITUTE A QUORUM.

C. THIS NEW JOINT COMMITTEE SHALL ACT AS ONE COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSES OF QUORUM AND THE NECESSARY VOTING PERCENTAGES. NO ABSENCES SHALL BE ASSESSED TO ANY SENATOR THAT FAILS TO ATTEND THIS JOINT MEETING, AS LONG AS THE MEETING IS AT A DIFFERENT TIME THAN THEIR ORIGINAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

D. THE PRESIDING CHAIR SHALL BE THE SENATOR OF THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH THE LEGISLATION WAS ORIGINALLY REFERRED, UNLESS THEY ARE AN AFFILIATED PARTY TO THE LEGISLATION IN QUESTION; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, THIS ADDITION TO THE RULES OF ORDER WILL ENSURE SMOOTH AND SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS FOR OUR SENATE WORKINGS; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, THIS NEW RULE WOULD RE-NUMBER ALL SUBSEQUENT RULES; AND
PARAGRAPH 6: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU A&M STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

Approved:

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Tyler Martin               Stuart Watkins
Speaker of the Senate      Student Body President

Date:____________________  Date:____________________