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PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE CURRENT GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE BROAD AND UNCLEAR. THIS PROPOSED CHANGE WOULD ENSURE CONSISTENCY AND OBJECTIVITY IN THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTION FILING PROCESS; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, THIS LEGISLATIVE MEASURE IS DESIGNED TO ASSIST ANY AND ALL STUDENTS, THAT ARE CONSIDERED IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE UNIVERSITY ACCORDING TO THE OFFICE OF CAMPUS LIFE, INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, THE CURRENT ARTICLE 3, SECTION 5, OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTION CODE WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

Section 5. Qualifying

A. Candidate Eligibility

1. A qualified student is any full-time student that is in good academic standing and is not currently under disciplinary action with the University.

2. For any non-At-Large position (representing one academic area), a candidate must be enrolled at the time of filing in the college which he/she is seeking to represent, with the exception of the Graduate School of LSU School of Veterinary Medicine

   a. Students seeking a non-At-Large position in the Graduate or LSU School of Veterinary Medicine must have applied and received provisional or full acceptance prior to the filing process of the election in question in order to run for that position.

   b. Proper acceptance documentation must be presented to the Student Government Commissioner of Elections at the time of filing to ensure candidate eligibility.

3. A degree candidate filing for any at-large position (including President and/or Vice President) must provide sufficient documentation of continuing full-time enrollment status at Louisiana State University to the Election Board.

4. If any clerical errors arise, the Commissioner of Elections can consult the University Registrar and approve members to run in their appropriate college or for their desired position on a case-by-case basis.

5. No senator can file or run for another seat within the LSU Student Senate until the final semester of their current term unless proof of change of college can be presented to the commissioner of elections. Proof of college must be provided by the university registrar.

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, THE NEW ARTICLE 3, SECTION 5 OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTION CODE WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:
Section 5. Qualifying

A. Candidate Eligibility

1. A qualified student is any full-time student that is in good academic standing and meets the University-mandated requirements for officers of recognized campus organizations.

2. For any non-At-Large position (representing one academic area), a candidate must be enrolled at the time of filing in the college which he/she is seeking to represent, with the exception of the Graduate School of LSU School of Veterinary Medicine
   a. Students seeking a non-At-Large position in the Graduate or LSU School of Veterinary Medicine must have applied and received provisional or full acceptance prior to the filing process of the election in question in order to run for that position.
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PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, THIS REVISION TO THE ELECTION CODE WILL ENSURE THAT ANY STUDENT INTERESTED IN AND ELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT HAS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY; AND

PARAGRAPH 6: THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE THAT ARTICLE 3, SECTION 5 OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTION CODE BE AMENDED.

PARAGRAPH 7: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU 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

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