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A BILL
TO AMEND RULES 5.2 AND 5.3 OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT RULES OF ORDER TO
RESTRUCTURE THE COMPOSITION OF THE STUDENT SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE STUDENT SENATE COMMITTEE ON RULES IS A
STANDING COMMITTEE THAT DEALS SPECIFICALLY WITH ALL
CONSTITUTIONAL AND BYLAW AMENDMENTS, APPOINTMENTS,
AND OTHER LEGISLATIVE RULES AND POLICIES; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, A LARGE AMOUNT OF LEGISLATION IS
CONSISTENTLY REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, IT WOULD BE HIGHLY BENEFICIAL FOR MEMBERS OF
THE COMMITTEE ON RULES TO BE EXTREMELY KNOWLEDGABLE
OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS,
RULES OF ORDER, AND OTHER GOVERNING DOCUMENTS BECAUSE
OF THIS HIGH INFLUX OF LEGISLATION; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, THE STUDENT SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRS ARE
EXPERIENCED AND PROFICIENT MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND
WOULD BE IDEAL TO SERVE TOGETHER ON THE COMMITTEE ON
RULES TO EFFECTIVELY OVERSEE THESE LEGISLATIVE
INSTRUMENTS; AND

PARAGRAPH 5: WHEREAS, RESTRUCTURE OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE
COMMITTEE ON RULES WOULD ALLOW FOR MORE MEMBERS TO
SIT ON EACH OF THE OTHER FIVE (5) STANDING COMMITTEES,
THUS FURTHER ENABLING THEIR FUNCTIONALITY AND
EFFICIENCY.

PARAGRAPH 6: THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT
GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE THAT
RULE 5.2 OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT RULES OF ORDER
WILL NOW READ AS FOLLOWS:

“A. All officers and members of standing committees of
the Senate must be members of the Senate; however, ex-
officio members may be provided for elsewhere in these
RULES OF ORDER. Unless otherwise provided for in these
RULES OF ORDER, no member of the Senate shall serve on
more than one (1) standing committee. The Speaker shall
appoint no less than seven (7) and no more than nine (9)
members to each standing committee (as defined in Rule
5.1) including the appointment of a committee chair and
vice-chair.
B. For the Committee on Rules, the Speaker pro tempore must be the appointed chairman. The remaining members of the committee shall be the other five (5) standing committee chairs and a vice-chair. The vice-chair of the Committee on Rules shall be appointed by the Speaker from the general membership of the Senate, but shall not be one of the other five (5) standing committee chairs or other five (5) standing committee vice-chairs. C. In the occurrence that the Senate is not elected to maximum capacity, the standing committees may vary from the predetermined numbers; while no committee may have a membership number equaling more than two (2) greater than any other committee.”

PARAGRAPH 7: Be it further enacted that Rule 5.3 of the Student Government Rules of Order will now read as follows:

“Ex-officio members of the Student Senate standing committees shall include:
F. The Speaker of the Student Senate shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Committee on Rules.”

PARAGRAPH 8: 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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BEN CLARK                     J. COLORADO ROBERTSON
STUDENT SENATE SPEAKER        STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE________________________  DATE________________________