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**A BILL**

**TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE RULES OF ORDER**

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE RULES OF ORDER CURRENTLY DO NOT SPECIFY THE AUTHOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO TRANSMIT LEGISLATION; AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE RULES OF ORDER CURRENTLY DO NOT SPECIFY WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IT IS TO CARRY OUT REFERENDUMS PLACED ON THE BALLOT BY SGCRS; AND

**PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, THE CHANGES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**Rule 2.7. Speaker Duties**

- (A) To open the meetings promptly at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays during Regular Session;
- (B) To cause the Senate to proceed with its business in the proper order under the rules, if a quorum is present, and to proceed upon each order of business;
- (C) To preserve order and decorum of the Senate;
- (D) To decide all points of order, subject to appeal to the Senate;
- (E) To explain or clarify any rule of procedure upon request;
- (F) To state each motion as it is made;
- (G) To recognize members who seek the floor for the purpose of speaking in debate or otherwise;
- (H) To state and put to vote all questions requiring a vote, and all questions upon which a vote is ordered, and to announce the vote;
- (I) To sign all documents which require his/her signature;
- (J) To appoint the Parliamentarian, Sergeant-at-Arms, Secretary, Undersecretary, Director of Communication and any additional Legislative Staff, subject to approval by the Student Senate;
- (K) To be ultimately responsible for the processing of Senate-approved legislation, and to see that the legislation reaches the Executive Office within two (2) class days of passage;
- (L) To chair the Spring Organizational Session until the election of the new Speaker;
- (M) To do and perform such other duties as may be required by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Student Government.
- (N) To transmit referendums placed on Spring, Fall, and Special election ballots by Concurrent Resolutions to the Commissioner of Elections.

**Rule 3.9. Rights of the Author**

- (A) The author of a piece of legislation shall be defined as the person whose name appears first on a piece of legislation. Co-Authors shall follow the author's name in alphabetical order.
- (B) The author shall have the following privileges exclusively:
  - a. To assign another Senator to handle a piece of legislation on behalf of the author in his/her absence;
  - b. In the consideration of a veto, the author of the vetoed legislation shall have the first response to the President's veto explanation, and shall be the last person to speak prior to the President's closing comments, regardless if previous question is called;
  - c. In the case of a hostile amendment, the author shall be the first to speak in opposition of the amendment and shall be the last person to speak in opposition to the amendment prior to the author of the amendment's closing comments, regardless if of whether previous question is called.
- (C) It is the responsibility of the author to transmit all passed legislation to the appropriate and designated parties after it has been signed by the President. It is recommended that this be transmitted within three legislative weeks after the legislation is considered enacted.

**PARAGRAPH 4:** THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THE RULES OF ORDER ARE ALTERED ACCORDINGLY, AND

**PARAGRAPH 5:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO ANDREW CHENEVERT, CHIEF JUSTICE, AND

**PARAGRAPH 6:** 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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**Christina Black**  
**Speaker of the Senate**

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**Stewart Lockett**  
**Student Body President**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_