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F22RS SGB No. 12 (Absence Policy)

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Fifty Sixth Student Senate



AT THE FALL REGULAR SESSION OF
Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

S.G.B. 12

ENROLLED

AUTHORED BY SENATOR:

PUDER

COAUTHORED BY SENATOR(S):

BRUNEY

A Bill

*To Amend Title 2, Chapter 3, Sections 207, 209, 210,
and 211 to change the attendance policy*

Enacted,

- 1 Original Text:
- 2 § 207. Removal generally; graduate student exceptions
- 3 A Senator shall be removed from their position by the
- 4 Speaker once they have accumulated a total of three
- 5 unexcused absences from either Regular Session or their
- 6 assigned committee. These requirements do not apply to
- 7 Senators representing the Graduate School, the School of
- 8 Veterinary Medicine, or the Paul M. Hebert Law Center.
- 9 Each Senator representing these Academic Areas must meet
- 10 with the Speaker at the beginning of each Regular Session to
- 11 determine appropriate requirements based on their
- 12 academic demand. Failure to meet with the Speaker by the
- 13 beginning of the third general meeting will result in
- 14 Graduate, Vet, or Law Senators abiding by normal removal
- 15 terms laid out above, meaning after three unexcused
- 16 absences, they will be removed.
- 17 § 209. Absences
- 18 1 One absence shall be assessed to a Senator who fails to
- 19 answer when their name is called during the initial roll call
- 20 taken in a Regular Session meeting, unless

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21 they are recognized as "present" by the Speaker before the
22 end of Public Input.

23 2 One absence shall be assessed to a Senator who fails to
24 answer when their name is called during the roll call vote on
25 a motion to adjourn a Regular Session meeting if and only if
26 the motion to adjourn passes.

27 3 Absences which fall under the University guidelines for
28 excused absences (Policy Statement 22), or pertain to
29 University classes, shall be submitted to the Speaker for
30 signature and approval before the next Regular Session
31 meeting after the absence incurred. The excuse shall be
32 placed on file with the Secretary of the Senate.

33 § 210. Written notification of excessive absences

34 When a Senator has been assessed three or more absences,
35 the Secretary of the Senate shall send written notification to
36 said Senator of such fact. Such notification shall be sent
37 within two class days of adjournment of the Regular Session
38 meeting at which the third absence is assessed.

39 § 211. Failure to attend meetings

40 If a Senator-elect or vacancy appointee fails to attend the
41 first three Regular Session meetings or the first three
42 meetings of their assigned committee (whether the absences
43 be excused or unexcused), that seat shall be vacated by the
44 Speaker.

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47 Amended Text:

48 § 207. Removal generally; graduate student exceptions

49 A Senator shall be removed from their position by the
50 Speaker once they have accumulated a total of six or more
51 unexcused absences from either Regular Session general
52 body meetings ~~or~~ and their assigned committee, with at most
53 three unexcused absences being assessed from the Regular
54 Session general body meetings. These requirements do not
55 apply to Senators representing the Graduate School, the
56 School of Veterinary Medicine, or the Paul M. Hebert Law
57 Center, provided that they have met with the Speaker by the
58 fourth general body meeting of the Regular Session to
59 determine appropriate requirements based on their

60 academic load. Each Senator representing these Academic
 61 Areas must meet with the Speaker at the beginning of each
 62 Regular Session to determine appropriate requirements
 63 based on their academic demand. Failure to meet with the
 64 Speaker by the beginning of the third general body meeting
 65 will result in Graduate, Vet, or Law Senators abiding by
 66 normal removal terms laid out above, meaning after missing
 67 three general body meetings three unexcused absences, they
 68 will be removed.

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70 § 209. Absences

71 1 One half absence shall be assessed to a Senator who fails to
 72 answer when their name is called during the initial roll call
 73 taken in a Regular Session meeting, unless they are
 74 recognized as "present" by the presiding officer Speaker
 75 before the end of Public Input Judicial Officer Reports.

76 2 One half absence shall be assessed to a Senator who fails to
 77 answer when their name is called during the roll call vote on
 78 a motion to adjourn a Regular Session meeting if and only if
 79 the motion to adjourn passes.

80 3 If there are extenuating circumstances that prohibit a
 81 Senator from attending Regular Session meetings, a Senator
 82 must meet with the Speaker at the beginning of each Regular
 83 Session to determine appropriate requirements. If a Senator
 84 does not agree with the Speaker's ruling, they may appeal to
 85 the Rules committee for a differing opinion. Failure to meet
 86 with the Speaker or appeal to the Rules committee by the
 87 beginning of the third general meeting will result in Senators
 88 abiding by the normal absence policy laid out in this chapter.
 89 Absences which fall under the University guidelines for
 90 excused absences (Policy Statement 22), or pertain to
 91 University classes, shall be submitted to the Speaker for
 92 signature and approval before the next Regular Session
 93 meeting after the absence incurred. The excuse shall be
 94 placed on file with the Secretary of the Senate and shall not
 95 count towards the allotted six absences per semester.

96 § 210. Written notification of excessive absences

97 When a Senator has been assessed two three or more
 98 absences, the Secretary of

99 the Senate shall send written notification to said Senator of
 100 such fact. Such notification shall be sent within two class
 101 days of adjournment of the Regular Session meeting at which
 102 the third absence is assessed and will serve as a warning to
 103 the Senator. When a Senator has been assessed three or
 104 more absences from Regular Session general body meetings,
 105 the Secretary of the Senate shall send written notification to
 106 said Senator of such fact. Such notification shall be sent
 107 within two class days of adjournment of the Regular Session
 108 meeting at which the fourth absence is assessed.

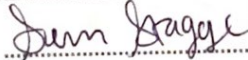
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 111 first three Regular Session meetings or the first three
 112 meetings of their assigned committee (~~whether the absences~~
 113 ~~be excused or unexcused~~), that seat shall be vacated by the
 114 Speaker. These requirements do not apply to Senators
 115 representing the Graduate School, the School of Veterinary
 116 Medicine, or the Paul M. Hebert Law Center, provided that
 117 they have met with the Speaker by the fourth general body
 118 meeting of the Regular Session to determine appropriate
 119 requirements based on their academic load.

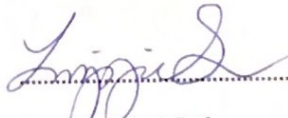
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121 THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A
 122 TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE
 123 AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF
 124 TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY
 125 THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY
 126 THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

APPROVED:



Samantha "Sam" Staggs
 SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
 DATE: 11-4-22



Lauren "Lizzie" Shaw
 STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
 DATE: 11-9-22