University of South Florida
Student Senate

SB [S] 52-021
The Committee Efficiency Act

The intent of this legislation shall be amend the Senate Committee structure to include (a) the Senate Committee on Special Funding, (b) merge the duties of the Committees on Appropriations and the Committee on Programing and Audits, and (c) merge the duties of the Committee on University Affairs and the Committee on Community and Government Affairs. This legislation also amends the Senate’s Order of Succession.

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ATTEST:

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This is a true and original record of Legislative Bill 52-021, adopted by the Senate on March 06th, 2012.
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Officers of the Senate

402.1 The officers of the Student Government Senate shall be as follows:

402.1.1 The Senate President
402.1.2 The Senate President Pro Tempore (hereafter referred to as Senate Pro Tempore)
402.1.3 The Senate Committee on Rules
402.1.4 The Senate Committee on Appropriations and Audits
402.1.5 The Senate Committee on Judiciary and Ethics
402.1.6 The Senate Committee on Special Funding
402.1.7 The Senate Committee on University, Community and Government Affairs

402.2 When a Senate Bill creates a new Senate Officer it shall include an amendment to update Section 403.1.

402.3 All Officers of the Senate may be subjected to a vote of confidence as outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

402.4 The terms of all officers shall coincide with his or her term as a Senator.

402.5 All officers of the Senate shall be Senators in good standing.

402.6 The Duties of the Senate President shall be:

402.6.1 Those duties enumerated in the Constitution
402.6.2 To Represent the Senate before the administration
402.6.3 To oversee the administration of the Senate accounts
402.6.4 To prepare the agenda for all Senate meetings
402.6.5 To oversee the day-to-day operations of the Senate
402.6.6 To call special sessions of the Senate when deemed necessary provided notification is given to the Senate forty-eight hours before the start of the Special Session.
402.6.7 To appoint any positions deemed necessary according to the Senate Rules of Procedure
402.6.8 Those duties enumerated in the Senate Rules of Procedure,
402.6.9 To call an ad hoc committee to review the election process within two weeks of the certified results of the general elections.
The Duties of the Senate Pro Tempore shall be:

402.7.1 To fulfill the duties of the Senate President should the Senate President become unable to perform his or her duties
402.7.2 To aid the Senate President in his or her duties
402.7.3 To represent the Student Senate before the Faculty Senate
402.7.4 To update and publish the Student Government Constitution, Student Government Statutes, and Student Government Rules of Procedure each time there is a valid change made to these documents
402.7.5 To maintain a record of all Committee Reports
402.7.6 To maintain the legislative area of the SG Website
402.7.7 To maintain a list of all Senate members and their contact information
402.7.8 Those duties enumerated in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

The Duties of the Committee Chairs shall be:

402.8.1 To manage all activities within their respective committees
402.8.2 To complete committee reports after all committee meetings
402.8.3 Those duties outlined for Committee Chairs in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

Order of Succession

Should the Senate President be unable to fulfill his or her duties, the order of succession shall be:

403.1.1 The Senate President Pro Tempore
403.1.2 The Senate Committee on Rules
403.1.3 The Senate Committee on Appropriations and Audits
403.1.4 The Senate Committee on Judiciary and Ethics

Should the Senate President be removed from office or resign, the Senate President Pro Tempore shall assume the office of Senate President.

Upon the succession of the Senate President Pro Tempore to the office of Senate President, a vote of confidence shall take place at the next general meeting of the Senate, in accordance with the Senate Rules of Procedure.

Should the office of Senate President Pro Tempore be vacant at the same time that the office of Senate President is vacant, the position of Senate President shall be filled by an election at the next general meeting of Senate to be chaired by the next available officer in the order of succession stated above who shall serve as chair until such an election has occurred.