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University of South Florida Student Government Senate

SB [S] 54-013

The Fair Investigations Act

54th Term

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The intent of this legislation shall be to clarify the investigation procedure currently in use by Student Government.

A SENATE STATUTORY AMENDMENT

Be it enacted by the Senate of the University of South Florida Student Government assembled, that the following changes be made to the Student Government Statutes:

Chapter

210

Student Government Investigations

210.1 Any Student may call for an investigation of Student Government Members, A&S funded Organizations, Programs, Services, or Student Government related entities.

210.2 Investigational Procedure

210.2.1 The Student Government Grievance Form (as found at the end of this chapter) must be submitted to the Senate President and ~~or~~ Student Government Advising, ~~and~~ Training, and Operations Bureau Director or Assistant Director in order for the investigation to be valid.

210.2.1.1 In the event that the subject of the grievance is the Senate President, the grievance shall be submitted to the Senate President Pro Tempore.

~~**210.2.1.0**~~ **210.2.1.2** In the event the subject of the grievance is the Student Government Advising, ~~and~~ Training, and Operations Bureau Director and/or Assistant Director, the grievance shall be submitted to the Attorney General. ~~In order for the investigation to be valid the issuer must submit the Student Government Grievance Form (as found in the end of this chapter) to the Student Senate President and the Student Government Advising and Training Operations Bureau Director or Assistant Director.~~

~~**210.2.1.1** Grievances must include the date of the events referenced in the grievance.~~

~~**210.2.1.2** Grievances may be filed anonymously.~~

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210.2.3 Grievances must include the date of the events referenced in the grievance.

210.2.4 Grievances must be time stamped.

~~210.2.2~~210.2.5 Grievances must be signed by the Senate Secretary and the Senate President, or the Senate President Pro Tempore in the event that the subject of the grievance is the Senate President. ~~and the Senate Secretary.~~

~~210.2.3~~210.2.6 ~~After the Grievance Form has been time-stamped and signed up the Senate President, the~~ The Committee on Judiciary and Ethics will evaluate whether the matter requires investigation: ~~after the grievance has been time stamped and signed.~~

~~210.2.4~~210.2.7 Should the Committee determine the matter worthy, a thorough investigation will be conducted in accordance with the Committee's Standard Operating Procedures.

~~210.2.5~~210.2.8 The Committee will recommend the best course of action to be undertaken by the Senate.

210.3 The Committee's recommendation may include courses of action such as Notification of Non-Compliance, Censure, Impeachment, Judicial Review, or Freezing of an Organization's Account.

210.4 It will be the duty of the Senate to take up any recommendation the Committee may make.

~~210.4.0~~210.4.1 When the Senate is not in session, student organization accounts may be frozen in accordance with Chapter 801.

USF SG GRIEVANCE FORM

TIME:

DATE:

Your name:

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Reason to file:

Your relation to person filing Grievance for:

Location of Grievance:

Time of Grievance:

USF SG GRIEVANCE FORM

Position Person holds in SG:

Recommended Repercussions:

Additional Details:

Comments:

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Senate ~~Clerk~~ Secretary Signature Approval:

Date:

Committee Approval:

Senate President Approval:

Date:



Shyam Patel, Student Senate President

November 26th 2013

Date

William Warmke, Student Body President

11/26/2013

Date

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