

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2023-1090

TITLE: Oath of Office Act – 100 Codes Revision

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CHAPTER 107 OATH OF OFFICE (2023-1090)

- 107.1 All elected Student Body Officials shall be required to take an oath of office as established within this chapter. The Student Senate President and the Student Senate Pro-Tempore shall take this oath of office upon election to their position. Student Senators-elect shall take this oath in the first meeting following the validation of the election results after quorum has been established. The Student Body President-elect, Student Body Vice President-elect and the Student Body Treasurer-elect will take this oath during the Student Government Banquet or on the first day they take office, whichever comes first.
- 107.2 The oath of office shall be administered by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. If the Chief Justice is unavailable, then an Associate Justice designated by the Chief Justice shall administer the oath.
- 107.21 If the Chief Justice position is vacant, then the longest-serving Associate Justice or an Associate Justice designated by them shall administer the oath.
- 107.22 If none of the Justices are available to administer the oath of office to Student Senators-elect and to the newly-elected Senate President, then the Dean of the Senate shall administer the oath of office. The Dean of the Senate shall be the longest-serving Student Senator.
- 107.221 In the case of multiple senators serving for the same period of time, the longest-serving senator who goes first alphabetically shall administer the oath of office to the Student Senators-elect and the Senate President upon their election. The Senate President would then administer the oath of office to the Senate President Pro-Tempore upon their election.

- 107.23 If none of the Justices are available to administer the oath of office at the inauguration of the Student Body President-elect, Student Body Vice President-elect and Student Body Treasurer-elect, then the Senate President shall administer the oath of office, followed by the Senate President Pro-Tempore if the Senate President is unavailable.
- 107.3 The oath of office for the Student Body President shall be as follows:
- I, (officer's name), do solemnly swear (affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the Student Body, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, the State of Florida, and the University of Florida Student Body, so help me God. (On pain of impeachment).
- 107.4 The oath of office for all other Student Body Officials shall be as follows:
- I, (officer's name), promise to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America, the State of Florida, and the University of Florida Student Body. And I shall perform my duties to the best of my ability, so help me God. (On pain of impeachment/expulsion).
- 107.5 The Student Body Official may choose to replace the words "so help me God" with "on pain of impeachment," when taking the oath of office. The person administering the oath shall inform the official of the option to change the ending of the oath prior to the administration of the oath. Senate officials will use expulsion instead of impeachment.
- 107.51 The Student Body President may choose to replace the word "swear" with "affirm" when taking the oath of office. The person administering the oath shall inform the official of the option to change the words prior to the administration of the oath.
- 107.6 This oath of office will not need to be administered to replacement Student Senators. However, replacement Student Senators may request to take the oath of office with the Senate President.
- 107.61 The oath of office for a replacement Student Senator may be administered privately or in the proceeding Student Senate meeting following the replacement Student Senator's confirmation by the Senate.

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This oath of office shall be administered upon succession of office of the Senate President, Senate President Pro-Tempore, Student Body President, Student Body Vice President and the Student Body Treasurer.

 8/8/23
Date

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 8/14/23
Date

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8/17/2023

Date Sent to VPSL Office

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