

**Student Senate** 

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## STUDENT SENATE BILL 2023-1203

TITLE: Student Life Clerical Correction – 300 CODES REVISIONS

AUTHOR(S): Senator Raj Mia, Senator Nathaniel Pelton

## **SPONSOR(S):**

CHAPTER 307 SG OFFICIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND REMOVAL ACT (98-115, 2004-116, 2007-104, 2008-131, 2015-109, 2020-1022, 2021-106)

307.7	APPEALS PROCEDURES
307.71	Any elected or appointed officer of the student government who has been disciplined, suspended, or removed from office shall have the right to directly appeal such decision to the Vice President of Student <u>Life Affairs</u> or other senior university administrator designated to hear such appeals
307.711	This procedure shall not condition the exercise of such right on the consideration or decision of any student panel, including but not limited to the Student Supreme Court or the Elections Commission.
307.72	All appeals must be in writing and submitted to the appropriate office within five (5) business days from the date of the decision made by the Student Government.
307.73	Except as required to explain the basis of new information, appeals are limited to a review of the verbatim records and supporting documents. The basis for filing an appeal is limited to one or more of the following grounds:

- 1. The student's rights were violated in the initial process in a manner which materially affected the outcome of the case.
- 2. New relevant material or information has been provided that could be sufficient to alter a decision, and was unknown by the person making the appeal at the time of the decision.
- 3. The sanction(s) imposed were not appropriate for the violation.
- The decision on an appeal should be made and communicated in correspondence within a reasonable period of time. The decision of the appeal authority is the final decision of the University and no further appeals within the University are

allowed.

- 307.741 If the appeal is granted, the appeal authority may modify the sanction(s) imposed or decision(s) made.
- 307.742 If the appeal is not granted, the sanction(s) or decision(s) made by the Student Government shall go into immediate effect.
- 307.8 OFFENSES
- No student will impersonate another, purposely write their name or constituency in the signing of any petition for recall or forge any name thereto, or sign any paper with knowledge that they are not a constituent of the SG official whose removal

from office is sought.

- No expenditures for campaigning for or against an official being recalled will be made until the date on which the recall referendum is to be held is publicly announced. Violations of this section will be considered as offenses against the student body and student conduct offense against the university, and violators will be penalized according to established Student Government and University of Florida procedures. No person will employ or pay another to accept employment or payment for circulating a recall petition.
- No student or group of students shall conspire to defame or otherwise accuse any SG official of an offense for which the student or students know to be false.
- No student or group of students shall maliciously initiate proceedings for a recall referendum when no reasonable cause exists to substantiate the grounds being claimed. Violations of this section and 307.83 will be considered as offenses against the student body and student conduct offense against the university, and violators will be penalized according to established Student Government and University of Florida procedures.
- This act shall not be ex post facto in its application. For the purposes of this act, the same limitations applied to the state governments by Article I, Section 10 of the U.S. Constitution, as well as the State of Florida specifically by Article I, Section 10 of the Florida Constitution, shall apply to Student Government.

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