

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2024-1111

TITLE: Resolution Petitioning for a Lower Base Price and Easier Appeal Process for Parking Citations

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WHEREAS, Parking can be limited on the University of Florida campus, which sometimes forces students to park in a way that could result in a citation [1]; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Parking and Transportation Services (TAPS) base parking citation price is \$35; and,

WHEREAS, according to 2017 data, UF TAPS hands out around 59,000 parking citations each year and grossed over \$1.5 million from parking revenue alone in the 2016-2017 school year [2]; and,

WHEREAS, the \$35 base parking citation price may place an undue financial burden on students and staff, especially for minor infractions; and,

WHEREAS, a \$10 base parking citation price would be more reasonable for initial violations; and,

WHEREAS, a price of \$35 for all subsequent parking citations would ensure that students do not continue to park in a way that would merit a citation; then,

WHEREAS, the UF TAPS citation appellate and notification process is outdated and unnecessarily non-intuitive for students; and,

WHEREAS, in order to enhance accessibility and likely quell frustrations with TAPS communications students may have, students who have incurred parking citations would benefit from a citation appellate and notification process facilitated through the one.uf web page; and,

WHEREAS, the one.uf web page could accommodate to this by notifying students directly of charges to their account from TAPS and provide a way to appeal said charges through the same web page; then,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate petitions that the University of Florida Parking and Transportation Services (TAPS) shall lower the base price of parking citations to \$10 for the first citation

