

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2024-1052

TITLE: Public Meetings in the 21st Century Act – 100 Codes Revisions

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CHAPTER 102 GOVERNMENT IN THE SUNSHINE ACT (73-117, 79-180, 81-112, 82-145, 83-227, 89-129, 96-131)

102.1 Student Government, as a state governmental agency, shall comply with section 286.011, Florida Statutes (The Government in the Sunshine Law). All student body officials, as defined in Article IX, Section 1(i), shall comply with section 286.011, Florida Statutes (The Government in the Sunshine Law).

102.2 In accordance with the Student Government Constitution Article I, Section 2(d), the Student Senate establishes the exact nature of public meetings of Student Government. All meetings delineated in this chapter shall be explicitly public in all contexts and shall comply with 286.011, Florida Statutes, but other meetings may be considered public as required by law.

102.3 PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

102.31 All regular, special, or virtual meetings of Student Senate of the Student Government shall be open to the public.

102.32 All regular or virtual meetings of the any standing or ad-hoc committees of the Student Senate shall be open to the public.

102.4 PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

102.41 All regular or virtual meetings of the Student Government Executive Committee shall be open to the public.

102.5 PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

102.51 All regular or virtual meetings of the Supreme Court shall be open to the public.

102.52 All regular or virtual meetings of the Elections Commission shall be open to the public.

102.6 Notice of all Student Government meetings, as delineated in 102.3 through 102.52, shall be made at least 24 hours in advance of such meetings:

a. There shall be a notice placed both in a physical notice on the physical noticeboard within the J. Wayne Reitz Union and in an electronic notice on the Student Government website.

b. The time and place of such meetings shall be included in the physical notice of J. Wayne Reitz Union.

c. The time, place and agenda of such meetings shall be included in the electronic notice on the Student Government website. If no agenda exists, subject matter summations may be used.

102.7 Any notice may be updated within 24 hours and still be considered valid if and only if the room for the meeting can not accommodate all members present or building closure of a mandatory meeting, or the contents of the notice are grammatically inaccurate. No other reason shall be valid to change the contents of a notice.

102.8 Any actions taken by a student body official at meetings not properly noticed in compliance with this act are to be declared null and void.

Proviso: This bill of law will go into effect immediately upon its passage.