

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2024-1520

TITLE: Graduate and Professional School Senator Constituency Clarification Act – 300 Codes Revision

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CHAPTER 324 STUDENT SENATOR ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (79-221, 81-155, 82-105, 82-139, 82-164, 82-165, 83-102, 83-200, 84-139, 87-163, 88-117, 88-134, 89-117, 89-118, 89-130, 90-126, 91-118, 92-101, 92-143, 94-114, 95-102, 95-102, 96-116, 98-104, 98-120, 99-122, 2000-146, 2000-154, 2002-143, 2002-158, 2003-122, 2004-122, 2005-118, 2005-140, 2006-112, 2006-131, 2006-132, 2007-105, 2007-105, 2007-144, 2008-124, 2008-140, 2010-122, 2012-100, 2014-100, 2014-11, 2015-109, 2019-114, 2020-100, 2020-1042, 2022-114, 2022-121, 2023-100)

- 324.1 The timeline for completing constituency requirements shall be as follows:
- a. There will be four (4) constituency periods coinciding with the four (4) academic semesters: Fall, Spring, Summer A, and Summer B.
 - b. Constituency periods shall be defined as follows:
 - I. The Fall constituency period shall begin on the first day of classes for the Fall academic semester and end on the date of the last Student Senate meeting of the Fall academic semester.
 - II. The Spring constituency period shall begin on the first day of classes for the Spring academic semester and end on the date of the last Student Senate meeting of the Spring academic semester.
 - III. The Summer A constituency period shall begin on the first day of classes for the Summer A academic semester and end on the date of the final Student Senate meeting of the Summer A academic semester.
 - IV. The Summer B constituency period shall begin on the first day of classes for the Summer B academic semester and end on the date of the final Student Senate meeting of the Summer B academic semester.
 - V. The constituency periods shall be enforced and announced each term by the Rules and Ethics Committee.
 - VI. Newly elected Student Senators, upon being sworn in, must complete all constituency requirements for the constituency period in which they were elected.
- 324.2 In order to fulfill constituency requirements, all Student Senators must complete the following with proper documentation, as defined in 324.23:
1. For Professional School Senators:

- a. In the Fall and Spring, Professional School Senators must
 - I. Attend one (1) meeting of an academic organization related to their respective college, or
 - II. Attend one (1) Student Government event, or
 - III. Complete one (1) hour of community service per constituency period, or
 - IV. Complete one (1) hour of tabling per constituency period.
 - b. Any combination of these requirements will be acceptable, so long as a total of three (3) requirements are completed and at least two (2) different requirements are met.
 - c. In Summer A and Summer B, Professional School Senators must complete any two of the requirements listed in 324.2(1)(a).
2. For Graduate Senators:
- a. In the Fall and Spring, Graduate Senators must attend
 - I. One (1) Two (2) Graduate student organization meetings or special events, or
 - II. Complete one (1) hour of community service per constituency period, or
 - III. Complete one (1) hour of tabling per constituency period.
 - b. Any combination of these requirements will be acceptable, so long as a total of three (3) requirements are completed and at least two (2) different requirements are met.
 - c. In Summer A and Summer B, Graduate Senators must complete any two of the requirements listed in 324.2(2)(a).
3. For College Senators:
- a. In the Fall and Spring, College Senators must attend
 - I. One (1) meeting of an academic organization related to their respective college, or one (1) Student Government event, and
 - II. One (1) Student Government-funded event, and
 - III. Complete two (2) hours of community service per constituency period, or
 - III. Complete two (2) hours of tabling per constituency period.

- b. In Summer A and Summer B, College Senators must complete two different requirements listed in 324.2(3)(a).
 - 4. For On-campus Senators:
 - a. In the Fall and Spring, On-campus Senators must attend
 - I. One (1) IRHA meeting or special event, and
 - II. One (1) respective Area Government meeting or special event,
 - III. One (1) Student Government event or Student Government-funded event, and
 - IV. Complete two (2) hours of community service per constituency period, or
 - V. Complete two (2) hours of tabling per constituency period.
 - b. In Summer A and Summer B, On-campus Senators must complete two different requirements listed in 324.2(3)(a).
- 5. For Family Housing Senator(s):
 - a. In the Fall and Spring, Family Housing Senator(s) must attend
 - I. Two (2) Mayors Council meetings or special events,
 - II. One (1) Student Government event or Student Government-funded event, and
 - III. Complete one (1) hour of community service per constituency period, or
 - III. complete one (1) hour of tabling per constituency period.
 - b. In Summer A and Summer B, Family Housing Senator(s) must complete two different requirements listed in 325.2(5)(a).
- 6. For District Senators:
 - a. In the Fall and Spring, District Senators must attend
 - I. One (1) City or County Commission meeting, and
 - II. One (1) Student Government-funded organization event (excluding IRHA), and
 - III. One (1) Student Government event, and

- IV. Complete two (2) hours of community service per constituency period, or
 - V. Complete two (2) hours of tabling per constituency period.
- b. In Summer A and Summer B, District Senators must complete two different requirements listed in 326.2(6)(a).
7. For Freshman and Sophomore Senators:
- a. In the Fall and Spring, Freshman and Sophomore Senators must attend
 - I. One (1) meeting of an academic organization related to their respective college.
 - II. One (1) Student Government event, and
 - III. One (1) Student Government-funded event, and
 - IV. Complete two (2) hours of community service per constituency period, or
 - V. Complete two (2) hours of tabling per constituency period.
 - b. In Summer A and Summer B, Freshman and Sophomore Senators must complete two different requirements listed in 327.2(7)(a)

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Legislative Intent: In 324.2(1)(a) and 324.2(2)(a), it is provided that Graduate Senators and senators representing professional schools may complete any combination of the listed requirements, as long as at least two different constituency requirements are met. ~~Graduate Senators and senators representing professional schools are the only senators who may fulfill constituency requirements by completing two of the same requirements.~~ The distinction is made, because there may be insufficient opportunities available for Graduate Senators and senators representing professional schools to fulfill each requirement.