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STUDENT SENATE BILL 2026-1033

TITLE: Standardize to Rules and Procedures Code 325 Change

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SPONSOR(S):

~~CHAPTER 325 THE SINCLAIR RULE (2024-198)~~

~~325.00~~ ~~Intent: This piece of legislation aims to prevent the premature filling of vacancies in cases where the eligibility of the vacancy or the circumstances leading to the vacancy is still subject to contestation. By doing so, it seeks to uphold the principles of Transparency, Fairness, Due Process and Accountability in the Student Senate's operations. This piece of legislation allows the accused the right to contest allegations with the possibility of a fruitful resolution.~~

~~325.01~~ ~~The Senate shall be prohibited from filling a vacancy due to resignation due to nonattendance or noncompliance if the window for contesting the vacancy is still open or is currently being contested or appealed. The Senate may only fill the seat after final adjudication if the initial decision was upheld; see §323.41 & §324.4(10). The Senate President Pro Tempore shall be prohibited from announcing the vacancy of a seat until after the window for contesting the vacancy is closed and the adjudication process has been concluded.~~

~~325.02~~ ~~If, following the adjudication process, it is determined that the vacancy should be overturned, and the respective party is reinstated to the vacant senate seat, the individual in question shall also be reinstated to all committee positions previously held, unless one of those positions was on the Replacement and Agenda committee~~

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