

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2026-1093

TITLE: TEMPORARY INACTIVE RESIDENCE AREA REPLACEMENT ACT – 322 CODES REVISION

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CHAPTER 322 APPORTIONMENT [(67-107, 72-118, 72-172, 72-183, 75-184, 77-123, 79-127, 80-180, 81-142, 82-147, 83-176, 84-104, 84-149, 87-150, 87-156, 87-164, 88-122, 89-122, 90-124, 90-149, 91-107, 91-131, 92-105, 92-129, 94-114, 94-115, 94-122, 95-121, 96-107, 96-130, 97-134, 98-102, 98-118, 99-101, 99-123, 2000-133, 2001-129, 2002-147, 2004-127, 2004-128, 2005-126, 2005-129, 2005-132, 2005-143, 2007-140, 2007-143, 2008-110, 2008-141, 2009-124, 2010-114, 2011-124, 2011-125, 2012-112, 2013-113, 2014-116, 2014-117, 2015-109, 2016-118, 2016-119, 2017-111, 2017-112, 2018-121, 2018-122, 2019-1092, 2019-1093, 2020-1022, 2020-1056, 2021-117, 2022-113, 2024-100, 2024-194, 2024-199, 2025-157, 2025-158)]

322.22 If an on-campus residential area enumerated in 322.21 has no beds open for student residential occupancy for the applicable Fall election cycle, as certified by the Department of Housing and Residence Life before ballot finalization, that area shall be deemed inactive for apportionment purposes for that election cycle and its Senate seat shall not be filled through the Fall election.

322.23 After validation of the Fall election results and before the end of the Fall term, the Student Senate shall assign one temporary replacement Fall seat for that election cycle to the Fall election classification with the greatest population-per-seat ratio using the official student population data utilized under 322.51, S.B.S. In the event of a tie, the temporary replacement Fall seat shall be assigned to the tied classification with the greater total student population. If a tie remains, the temporary replacement Fall seat shall be assigned by lot administered by the Supervisor of Elections.

322.24 Any temporary replacement Fall seat assigned pursuant to 322.23 shall, upon such assignment, be deemed a vacant Student Senate seat for purposes of Chapter 340, S.B.S., and shall be filled in accordance with the applicable replacement procedures of the Student Senate. The temporary replacement Fall seat shall remain in effect until the next Fall election.

322.25 Upon certification by the Department of Housing and Residence Life that beds in the inactive residential area are open for student residential occupancy before ballot finalization for a subsequent Fall election cycle, the temporary replacement mechanism established by 322.22 through 322.24 shall not apply to that residential area for that election cycle.