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STUDENT SENATE BILL 2026-1100

TITLE: SG Official Accountability and Removal Act Code Revision

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CHAPTER 307 SG OFFICIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND REMOVAL ACT (98-115, 2004-116, 2007-104, 2008-131, 2015-109, 2020-1022, 2021-106, 2023-138, 2025-156, 2026-128)

307.2 As found in this chapter (and as applied in Chapter~~.~~ 213) the following definitions will apply:

1. "Circulator" means an individual seeking to recall ~~a~~ an SG official from office and who solicits, supervises or otherwise procures student signatures in support of a recall referendum of the affected officer.
2. "Constituency" means the people who are represented by a SG official and are eligible to vote for such an official in general SG elections. (The Student Body President's constituency, for example, would include the entire student body while a Student Senator's constituency would typically include students enrolled in a particular college or designated living area.)
3. "Constituent" means a registered student who is a member of an SG official's constituency.
4. "Conviction" means a determination of guilt resulting from a plea (whether guilty or nolo contendere) or trial, regardless of whether imposition of sentence was suspended.
5. "Civilly Liable" means ~~when a court of competent jurisdiction enters final judgment against a person in a civil action~~ found legally responsible in a civil lawsuit by a final judgment of a local, state, or federal court.
6. "Majority" means half of the members present and voting plus one.
7. "Entire seated membership" means the total number of members of the Student Senate, vacant seats notwithstanding, at the time that body ~~takes action~~ acts on an item before it. For example, if a Student Senate has eighty total seats, but only seventy are currently filled by Student Senators, then the entire seated membership for that body at that time would be seventy.

8. "Present and voting" means the total number of members of the Student Senate present in the Senate Chambers at the time of the vote who cast a vote in the affirmative, negative, or in abstention. Members who abstain are not counted as present and voting.
9. "Ex post facto" means a law, act, rule or procedure passed after the occurrence of a fact or commission of an act, which retrospectively changes the legal consequences or relations of such fact or ~~deed,~~ act. See Black's Law Dictionary.
10. "Incompetence" means the lack of ability, qualifications or fitness to discharge a required duty.

~~14.~~11. "Moral Turpitude" means an act or behavior ~~which~~ that involves: a) inherent baseness or depravity ~~with~~ in private social relations or duties owed by ~~individual to individual~~ one individual to another or by an individual to society; or b) anything done contrary to justice, honesty, principle or good morals.

~~15.~~12. "Recall referendum" means a ballot measure ~~to put to a constituency affected~~ put to the affected constituency. This shall be in the form of a petition, signed by a requisite number of constituents ~~and~~ in a form prescribed by Student Body Law, that seeks to recommend to Student Government the removal of a Student Government official from office who has been convicted of any criminal offense, or who has been found civilly liable for an act of moral turpitude, after all available appeals have been exercised, waived or have expired.

~~16.~~13. "Registered student" means a person admitted to the university who is enrolled in at least one credit hour during the current academic term, is in good standing with the university, and has paid their Activity and Service Fees, or had their fees deferred by the university, for the current academic term.

~~17.~~14. "Student Government (SG) Official" means any student holding an elected or appointed position in UF Student Government. Such positions include, but are not limited to, Student Body President, Student Body Vice President, Student Senators, Executive Agency Heads, ~~and~~ Executive Cabinet Directors, Members of the Judicial Branch, and all other offices that have control over any Activity ~~&~~ and Service Fees.

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