### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# A BILL TO BE ENTILTLED AN ACT Number 21-11

Written by: Keelyn Sealy, Senator Gosart, President Statom, Vice President Walton Sponsored by: Senator Gosart August 26, 2021

I. The purpose of this bill is to amend the Freshman Forum Code of Laws to more correctly match the presented purpose of Freshman Forum to provide education and leadership opportunities for freshmen at the University of North Alabama.

# Currently reads:

800.3 The Freshman Forum shall meet every Wednesday at 4:30 pm in a designated area

# Currently reads:

800.4 Freshman Forum members shall serve no more than one (1) academic year.

## Currently reads:

800.6 The Freshman Forum advisor shall appoint members of the Freshman Forum to five (5) standing committees. The Freshman Forum advisor must take into consideration the preference of the Freshman Forum members when determining the committee appointments. Preferences will be submitted during the Freshman Forum Orientation and appointments will be made at the First Freshman Forum meeting.

## Now to read:

800.3 The Freshman Forum will meet every other Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in a designated meeting area. Committee Meetings will take place on the alternate weeks of the meetings of the Freshman Forum.

### Now to read:

800.4 Freshman Forum members shall serve no more than one (1) academic year. Freshman Forum members must serve the entirety of the academic year.

## Now to read:

800.6 The Freshman Forum advisor(s) shall appoint members of the Freshman Forum to five (5) standing committees. The Freshman Forum advisor must take into consideration the preference of the Freshman Forum members when determining the team appointments. Preferences will be submitted during the Freshman Forum application process and appointments will be made before or during the first Freshman Forum meeting.

800.7 If a Freshman Forum member is elected or appointed to the SGA Senate, or appointed to the UPC, said member will be allowed to hold office in the SGA Senate or the UPC, but will lose all voting privileges in the Freshman Forum.

# Now to read:

800.7 The Freshman Forum committees must select their chair before the second Freshman Forum meeting of the year.

# Currently reads:

800.11 All bills approved by the Freshman Forum must be signed by the Freshman Forum Vice President for signature or veto within twenty-four (24) hours after final approval.

### Now to read:

800.11 All bills approved by the Freshman Forum must be signed by the Freshman Forum Executive Chair for signature or veto within twenty-four (24) hours after final approval.

# Currently reads:

800.14 Each Freshman Forum member shall be required to attend no less than two Senate and/or UPC meetings each semester unless excused by the Freshman Forum Advisors.

## Now to read:

800.14 Freshman Forum members are welcomed and encouraged to attend Senate and UPC meetings and events. Each Freshman Forum member shall be required to attend no less than one Senate meeting, one UPC meeting, and one UPC event each semester, unless otherwise excused by the Freshman Forum advisor(s).

# Currently reads:

801.1.1 The Service Committee, composed of four to eight (4-8) members, shall determine and complete at least one service event per semester.

## Now to read:

801.1.1 The Service Committee, composed of four to eight (4-8) members, shall determine and complete at least one service event or initiative in the spring semester.

801.1.2 The Public Relations Committee, composed of four to seven (4-7) members, shall be responsible for publicizing all Freshman Forum activities and developing and mailing a quarterly newsletter to the freshman

## Currently reads:

801.1.3 The Social Committee, composed of four to eight (4-8) members, shall plan and coordinate social events to include all freshmen.

## Currently reads:

801.1.4 The Student Welfare Committee, composed of three to eight (3-8) members, shall be responsible for seeking freshman opinion and create a report to be presented to the Student Welfare Chairperson of the Student Government Association.

### Currently reads:

801.1.5 The Outreach and Philanthropy Committee, composed of four to seven (4-7) members, shall be responsible for planning events to connect freshmen to on campus resources. The committee will also be responsible for planning at least one philanthropy event each semester. One philanthropy event shall be dedicated to raising resources for the food pantry and the other shall be dedicated to raising funds for the SGA Endowed scholarship.

### Now to read:

801.1.2 The Public Relations
Committee, composed of four to seven
(4-7) members, shall be responsible for
publicizing all Freshman Forum
activities and developing
communications strategies. The Public
Relations Committee will also be
charged with collaborating with the SGA
Communications Director.

#### Now to read:

801.1.3 The Social Committee, composed of four to eight (4-8) members, shall plan and coordinate one social event for the spring semester to include all freshmen.

## Now to read:

801.1.4 The Student Welfare Committee, composed of three to eight (3-8) members, shall be responsible for seeking freshman opinion through a survey and creating a piece of legislation to presented to the SGA Senate and sponsored by a SGA Senator.

### Now to read:

801.1.5 The Outreach and Philanthropy Committee, composed of four to seven (4-7) members, shall be responsible for planning one partnership event in the spring semester to connect students to campus resources and/or raising resources for the food pantry.

802.1 The Executive Council of the Freshman Forum, composed of seven (7) members: the committee chairpersons from each standing committee, the Freshman Forum Vice President, and the Freshman Forum Clerk.

# Currently reads:

802.2 The Freshman Forum Vice President and the Freshman Forum Clerk shall be elected at the first Freshman Forum meeting following the Freshman Forum Orientation by a simple majority of the Freshman Forum.

# Currently reads:

802.2.1 The Freshman Forum Vice President and the Freshman Forum Clerk may not serve on a committee or as a committee chairperson.

## Currently reads:

Chapter 803 The Freshman Forum Vice President

## Currently reads:

803.1 The Freshman Forum Vice President shall be elected by a simple majority vote at the first Freshman Forum meeting following the Freshman Forum orientation.

### Now to read:

802.1 The Executive Council of the Freshman Forum, composed of seven (7) members: the committee chairpersons from each standing committee, the Freshman Forum Executive Chair, and the Freshman Forum Clerk.

## Now to read:

802.2 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair and the Freshman Forum Clerk shall be elected at the Freshman Forum Retreat by a simple majority of the Freshman Forum.

### Now to read:

802.2.1 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair and the Freshman Forum Clerk may not serve on a committee or as a committee chairperson.

#### Now to read:

Chapter 803 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair

### Now to read:

803.1 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall be elected by a simple majority vote at the Freshman Forum Retreat.

### New addition:

803.2 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall serve as the chair for the Freshman Forum meetings.

## Currently reads:

803.2 The Freshman Forum Vice President shall preside over all duties, tasks, and functions of the Freshman Forum. The Freshman Forum Vice President shall be responsible to make an oral report to the SGA Senate as requested by the Senate, Freshman Forum Advisor, or SGA President.

## Currently reads:

803.3 The Freshman Forum Vice President shall attend and report to the SGA Executive Council once a week.

### Currently reads:

803.4 The Freshman Forum Vice President shall reserve the right to veto any legislation passed by the Freshman Forum.

## Currently reads:

803.5 The vetoed legislation shall return to the floor along with an explanation from the Freshman Forum Vice President at the meeting immediately following the veto.

#### Now to read:

803.3 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall preside over all duties, tasks, and functions of the Freshman Forum. The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall be responsible to make an oral report to the SGA Senate as requested by the Senate, Freshman Forum Advisor, or SGA President.

#### Now to read:

803.4 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall attend and report to the SGA Executive Council meetings.

#### Now to read:

803.5 The Freshman Forum Executive Chair shall reserve the right to veto any legislation passed by the Freshman Forum.

### Now to read:

803.6 The vetoed legislation shall return to the floor along with an explanation from the Freshman Forum Executive Chair at the meeting immediately following the veto.

805.8 Selected Freshman Forum members shall be announced during halftime of the first home football game following the conclusion of interviews.

# Currently reads:

806.3 The Freshman Forum advisors both shall attend and report to weekly SGA Executive Council meetings until the Freshman Forum President is elected.

## Currently reads:

806.5 The Freshman Forum Advisors shall preside over all duties, tasks, and functions of the Freshman Forum in the temporary absence of the Freshman Forum Vice President.

### Now to read:

805.8 Selected Freshman Forum members shall be announced during halftime of a home football game following the conclusion of interviews.

### Now to read:

806.3 The Freshman Forum advisors both shall attend and report to SGA Executive Council meetings until the Freshman Forum Executive Chair is elected.

### Now to read:

806.5 The Freshman Forum Advisors shall preside over all duties, tasks, and functions of the Freshman Forum in the temporary absence of the Freshman Forum Executive Chair.

II. This bill will become law upon the ratification by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the SGA Senate, and its subsequent approval by the SGA President and Vice President.

8-26-21 Date

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