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**AN ACT TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION AND EFFICIENCY IN
SENATE SESSIONS**

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled,

Section 1. Findings -- The Senate finds the following:

When in session, the Senate is governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

It is essential for each Senator to have a solid understanding of Robert's Rules of Order.

Achieving a working proficiency in parliamentary procedure will allow Senators to actively participate and adequately represent the interests of their constituents in legislative proceedings.

Additionally, a uniform understanding of Robert's Rules of Orders will allow the Speaker to facilitate efficient Senate sessions, allocating more time to the discussion of legislative matters while reducing the time spent explaining procedural nuances.

Section 2. The Senate hereby charges the Senate Committee on Rules to organize a parliamentary procedure training session, to be held during early Fall, 2016. The committee shall have the power to determine the time and place of the training event, and to coordinate with the necessary university departments and organizational groups to obtain access to all necessary training aids.

Section 3. The Chair of the Committee on Rules shall accept nominations from members of the Senate, and the committee shall select an instructor to lead the training session from said pool of nominees.

Section 4. Distribution of Copies--Copies of this Act shall be sent to: Lillian Roth, SGA President; The Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.