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**A Bill to Amend the Senate Rules and Regulations**

Section 1. Findings

Campus Security and Safety must be a top priority of the University of Alabama Student Government Association. While the Executive Branch has officers to develop ways to improve campus security, the Senate has no clear committee solely focused on such an important issue.

Therefore, the senate must establish a permanent Senate Security Council that works with other portions of the SGA, campus, law enforcement officers, and the community as a whole.

Section 2. Amendment

Chapter 302. Senate Security Council

Chapter 302.1 Members of the Senate shall maintain a Security Council in order to study, develop, and communicate better ways to maintain and improve security on and around the University of Alabama Campus.

Chapter 302.2 Council Membership

Chapter 302.2.1 Each Committee outlined in Chapter 300.1 shall select a committee member to sit on the Senate Security Council. The committee member selected for the Security Council may be the committee chair.

Chapter 302.2.2 The committees shall select their Security Council member by simply majority vote of the committee.

Chapter 302.2.3 Membership on the Senate Security Council does not conflict with serving on a Senate Committee. Members of the Senate Security Council are expected to also maintain membership in a Senate Committee outlined in Chapter 300.1.

Chapter 302.2.4 The SGA Vice President for External Affairs may appoint a member from his or her cabinet to act as a non-voting member of the Security Council, in order to enhance communication between the legislative and executive branch.

Chapter 302.3 Security Council Leadership

Chapter 302.3.1 The council will create an internal leadership structure that includes a chairperson who will be selected by a majority vote of the members of the council.

Chapter 302.3.2 The Chair of the Council is required to communicate with the council a minimum of once per month.

Chapter 302.3.3 The Vice-Chair shall act as the Chair in the absence of the chair.

#### Chapter 302.4 Duties

Chapter 302.4.2 The Security Council's duties shall include but are not limited to the following:

Chapter 302.4.1 Review and understand campus security policy, as well as develop more effective ways to communicate such policies across campus.

Chapter 302.4.2 Work with the University of Alabama Police Department to develop strategies to improve security on campus

Chapter 302.4.3 Reach out to city officials when necessary to ensure that unsafe areas surrounding campus are properly handled

Chapter 302.4.4 Develop legislation concerning campus security and safety that will be presented to the senate as a whole

Chapter 302.4.5 The chair of the security council must update the entire senate of the council's work at least once a month

#### Chapter 302.5 Meetings

Chapter 302.5.1 The council must meet at least once per month outside of regular senate meetings with the exceptions of December and May.

Chapter 302.5.2 Failure to meet the requirements of Chapter 302.5.1, as stated above, will rest on the council chair, who shall accrue one unexcused absence.

Chapter 302.5.3 The failure of a Senator to attend a council meeting without notification to the council chair shall result in the accrual of one-half unexcused absence.

Chapter 302.5.4 The meetings may count towards senators' office hours.

Chapter 302.5.5 The council must maintain an attendance record, as well as minutes of the meeting.

#### Chapter 302.6 Restrictions

Chapter 302.6.1 The council has no authority to amend, approve or reject any legislation brought forth by the senate, as a normal committee would.

Chapter 302.6.2 The council, however, can endorse or speak against any legislation concerning campus with a majority vote of the council.

#### Chapter 302.7 Accountability

Chapter 302.7.1 If at any time a committee feels that its representative to the Security Council is not fulfilling his or her obligations, then the committee may vote to replace the member with another Senator from the committee.

Chapter 302.7.2 The vote to remove the committee member from the Security Council must be a majority vote of the committee.

Chapter 302.7.3 Upon the removal of a member(s), the Committee chair will appoint a replacement from the rest of the committee members. No committee vote is necessary to confirm a replacement member.

#### Chapter 302.8 Inaugural Council

Chapter 302.8.1 The first Senate Security Council shall be established for the 2017-2018 SGA Senate.

Section 3. Ratification

This bill will become law upon vote by approval of the senate and signature of the President of the Student Government Association.

Section 4. Legitimacy

This bill shall be in accordance with Chapter 101.3, Title I, *SGA Code of Laws*.