



Act A-8-22
The University of Alabama

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Endorsements: Hayden Rutter, President UA End Overdose

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE GOOD SAMARTIAN OVERDOSE TRAINING PROGRAM
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UA END OVERDOSE**

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

Section 1. Findings:

1. According to VitAL, a partnership between Alabama state agencies and the University of Alabama School Of Social Work, from June 2019 to June 2020, more than 83,000 Americans died of drug overdoses
2. According to their research, three in five drug overdose deaths could have been prevented if not for a lack of education.
3. In America, 40% of deaths occur while a bystander is present, which researchers attribute to a lack of education and limited awareness of Good Samaritan Laws and the proper courses of action to take in response to an overdose
4. On The University of Alabama campus, many organizations, including but not limited to, the Interfraternity Council, University of Alabama Police Department, VitAL, End Overdose, and the Student Government Association have shown a demonstrable interest in mitigating the possibility of drug-related deaths through greater education, awareness, and access to life-saving and preventable treatments.
5. Upon passage of Act-#-22, The University of Alabama Student Government Association, in partnership with UAPD and End Overdose, will establish the Good Samaritan

Overdose Organizational Certification Program that will inform participating students about Good Samaritan laws and policies, signs and symptoms of potential drug overdoses, and the proper use and administration of Narcan and fentanyl testing strips.

Section 2. Legislation:

6. ***THEREFORE, be it resolved,*** The University of Alabama Student Government Association, in partnership with The University of Alabama Police Department and UA End Overdose will establish The Good Samaritan Organizational Training Program
7. Be it further resolved, that upon completion of the Good Samaritan Organizational Certification Program by 25% of a participating student organization active membership, that it will be considered a recipient of the Good Samaritan Organizational Certification.
8. ***Be it further resolved,*** that copies of this Act be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Steven Hood, Interim Vice President of Student Life; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; Hudson Tate, President of the Interfraternity Council; Hannah Hale, President of the Alabama Panhellenic Association; John Hooks, Chief, University of Alabama Police Department; *The Crimson White*; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.