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The University of Alabama
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Endorsements:

A BILL TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC VOTING IN THE SENATE

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

Section 1. Findings:

- A. Only roll call votes are provided to student media organizations concerning the individual vote of a senator.
- B. In pursuit of transparency, all branches of the SGA must openly inform of their actions to all students in the most expedited and effective means possible.

Section 2. Legislation:

Chapter 201. The Secretary of the Senate

Chapter 201.1 The Secretary of the Senate shall submit all roll call vote results, along with the corresponding Yea/Nay/Abstention vote of each present senator, to The Crimson White Media Group, WVUA, and any other registered student media organization that submits a request prior to or in the day following each respective senate meeting or special session. This task shall be completed within 5 calendar days following each meeting of the senate.

Chapter 201.1 The Secretary of the Senate shall submit all roll call vote results **and all electronically recorded votes**, along with the corresponding Yea/Nay/Abstention vote of each present senator, to The Crimson White Media Group, WVUA, and any other registered student media organization that submits a request prior to or in the day following each respective senate meeting or special session. This task shall be completed within 5 calendar days following each meeting of the senate.

Chapter 300 Committees

Chapter 300.1.4 The Rules Committee's duties shall include but are not limited to:

Chapter 300.1.4.4. Reviewing the current method of recording electronic votes cast by senators.

Chapter 501 Special Rules of the Senate

Chapter 501.1 Proxies

Chapter 501.5.3 A proxy shall be able to vote on all business before the Senate in place of the Senator they are representing, including voting on all legislation, motions, and confirmations.

Chapter 501.5.3.3 A proxy shall have their vote included at any time an electronic vote is conducted.

Chapter 501.6 Electronic Voting

Chapter 501.6.1. The vote or abstention of a senator shall be electronically recorded when considering legislation.

Chapter 501.6.1.1 Electronically recorded votes include a vote or abstention on bills, acts, and resolutions.

Chapter 501.6.2. The vote or abstention of a senator shall be electronically recorded when considering confirmations.

Chapter 501.6.3. In the case that roll call votes are mandated, electronic voting will not apply nor supersede that rule that mandates a roll call vote.

Section 3. Copies:

Copies of this bill shall be sent to Madeline Martin, SGA President; Angel Navarez-Lugo, Advisor; *The Crimson White*; and others as may deemed necessary at a later date.