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.