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A BILL TO REVISE THE TIME FRAME OF FIRST YEAR COUNCIL SEAT ALLOCATION

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

Section 1. Findings:

- 1. Currently the Code of Laws requires the Senate to confirm the allocation of First Year Council seats by the third week of classes.
- 2. University housing is responsible for providing the allocation data to the Student Government Association. However, they have no responsibility to follow the short timeframe laid out within the Code of Laws.
- 3. As of the first three weeks of class, the Student Government Association has not received the data to fulfill their duty as outlined in the Code of Laws.
- 4. Therefore, in pursuit of transparency, the Code of Laws should be changed to better reflect the relationship between housing and Student Government Association.
- 5. University housing will continue to deliver the allocation information to the Student Government Association.
- 6. There is no substantive change to the allocation process.

Section 2. Legislation:

Chapter 905: Allocation of Seats of the First Year Council

• **Chapter 905.2** The allocation of First Year Council seats shall be confirmed a majority vote of the Senate and approved by the SGA President. The allocation of First Year council seats must be confirmed no later than the third week of class during the fall semester, the final selections for First Year Council.

Section 3. Copies:

Copies of this bill shall be sent to Madeline Martin, SGA President; Jack Steinmetz, Executive Vice President; Angel Navarez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Josie Schmitt, Executive Secretary; Nick Tolbert, First Year Council Director; *The Crimson White*; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.