

## SENATE RULE 5: INTRODUCTION OF MEASURES

### 5.01 Definitions of Measures

- A. Fiscal Bills are defined as
  - 1. Measures allocating Activity and Service Fee funds.
- B. Internal Bills are defined as
  - 1. Measures amending the Student Body Statutes.
  - 2. Measures proposing a law not contradictory to The University of Central Florida Student Body Constitution.
- C. Resolutions are defined as
  - 1. Measures pertaining to Senate Rule.
  - 2. Measures expressing the sentiment of the Student Body Senate.
- D. Proclamations are defined as
  - 1. Measures recognizing, celebrating, or denouncing extraordinary events, organizations, or individuals on behalf of all Student Government Agents. These measures require the signatures of the Senate President and the Student Body President.
  - 2. These measures should be utilized sparingly as to preserve their significance and exclusivity.
- E. Special Acts are defined as
  - 1. Measures operating only upon a particular person or private concern.
  - 2. Measures pertaining to creating new statutes or senate rules that do not amend nor delete current statutes or senate rules and their meanings.
- F. Constitutional Amendments are defined as
  - 1. Measures amending The University of Central Florida Student Body Constitution.

### 5.02 Introduction and Filing of Measures

- A. A measure shall be considered filed and introduced for consideration when
  - 1. Received by the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore before 5:00 P.M. the day prior to the next regularly scheduled Senate meeting.
    - a. In the case that the Office of the Pro Tempore is vacant, the Senate President may approve or deny measures under the same guidelines as the Pro Tempore.
  - 2. Approved by the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore based on the format, completeness, and suitability of the measure.
    - a. If rejected, the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore shall notify the introducer of the proposed measure with the reason(s) for rejection included. The reason(s) shall be included in the Pro Tempore's report during the next regularly scheduled Senate meeting.
    - b. If rejected, the introducer may appeal the ruling on the Senate Floor and if the ruling is overruled, the measure shall be placed on the Agenda as is.
    - c. Should a measure be neither approved nor rejected within five (5) academic days after it has been received by the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore, it will be considered approved.
  - 3. Sent to the Senate Graduate Assistant by the Office of the Pro Tempore or by the introducer of the measure following favorable committee action or approval from the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore.
    - a. If there is no Senate Graduate Assistant, then the measures may be sent to the Senate President to be placed on the agenda.

- b. Measures may be adopted in committee if the Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore is notified in writing prior to the start of the committee meeting or caucus.
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- C. The introducer shall have full responsibility for typographical or technical errors in the completed form after being introduced in Senate Meeting and before the measure is seen in committee.
- D. The Senate Graduate Assistant shall be responsible for providing a final, corrected copy of a Bill allocating money to the Student Government Accountant no later than three (3) academic days following the required signatures of the Student Body President and Vice President of Student Development and Enrollment Services or designee.

### 5.03 Procedure and Reading of Measures

- A. Measures shall be placed on First Reading when brought before the Student Body Senate for the first time.
  - 1. First Reading shall serve as a period of initial introduction.
  - 2. Measures shall be remanded to committee(s) for consideration.
- B. Measures shall be placed on Second Reading when reported out of committee.
  - 1. Second Reading shall serve as a period of opening debate and amendment.
  - 2. Measures may be amended by a majority vote of the Student Body Senate.
- C. Measures shall be placed on Third Reading for final debate, unless it has been postponed indefinitely on Second Reading.
  - 1. The amendment of measures on Third Reading shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Body Senate.
  - 2. A Student Body Senator may move that a measure be placed on Second Reading, and it shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Body Senate.
- D. A measure introduced by a committee shall be placed on Second Reading, unless the measure is outside the jurisdiction of the introducing committee.
- E. Proclamations shall not be placed on Third Reading. Second Reading will serve as the final debate and amendment of these measures.

#### **HISTORY:**

Res 13-03 (02/03/81) Res 16-05 (10/25/83) Res 18-27 (07/17/86) Res 26-19 (07/10/94) Res 27-03 (11/17/94)  
 Res 27-10 (01/26/95) Res 34-12 (11/15/01) Res 36-23 (04/21/04) Res 36-26 (05/17/04) Res 40-36 (10/02/08)  
 Res 50-20 (01/25/18) Res 50-61 (09/20/18) Res 51-49 (6/27/19) Res 52-52 (01/26/21) Res 52-54 (11/02/20) Res  
 53-08 (06/24/21)