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Appointment Transparency Act

Whereas, the process of appointments has endured insufficiencies in ensuring equitable opportunity;

Whereas, candidates' appointments are confirmed by a majority of Senators present and voted based on their resumes and responses to questions pertinent to the position they will serve;

Whereas, these changes are necessary and proper to ensure transparency and informed appointments.

Therefore, be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

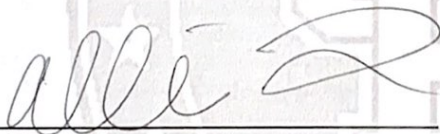
That the Bylaws of the Student Government adopt the following changes:

(1) Title III, Article 1, Section 4, Clause 4 be edited to read: "The President will have the power to appoint and dismiss personnel of the Student Government Association Executive Branch. Monetarily compensated appointments are subject to a formal application process by which the application is publicly available for a minimum of five (5) days and interviews will be conducted for at least two select applicants, if available, of the President's choosing, and confirmation by a majority of the Senate present and voting, with dismissal powers will only extend to the appointer.

(2) Title III, Article 1, Section 1, Clause 15 be amended to read: "Upon request, The Executive will inform the Senate of the exact function and duties of all stipend and/or compensated members of the Executive Branch prior to confirmation. The Senate will be presented with a full list of staff from the Executive Branch, including, at least, all stipend/compensated members prior to a Senator's first Senate meeting.;

(3) Title III, Article 2, add the following section: "Section 1: Appointment Process and the following clause: "Clause 1: The Senate will be provided the responses to the application questions of the chosen candidate(s) and must include a paragraph, originating from the Executive, informing the Senate of why said candidate(s) were chosen.;

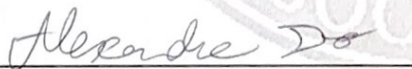
(4) Title IV, Article 2, Section 1, Clause 3 be amended to read: "The Attorney General will appoint the Chief Election Commissioner through a formal application process as described in Title III, Article 1, Section 4, Clause 4 of these Bylaws.



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Allison Lawrence
Student Government President

Date of President's Approval: 9/9/19



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Alexandre Do
Speaker of Senate

Date of Senate Approval: 09/04