

Sponsor: Senator Long, Senator Sullivan, Senator Hochhauser, Senator Winzer, Senator Carnahan

## Bill to Amend the Ex-Officio Branch By-laws

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association is the official student governing body for Illinois State University;

WHEREAS, the Ex-Officio Branch By-Laws is the governing document for Ex-Officios;

WHEREAS, there is no specific absence policy for the Student Trustee;

WHEREAS, Ex-Officio organizations can designate a replacement delegate for Student Government Association Assembly meetings should the original delegate need to be absent from the said Assembly meeting;

WHEREAS, the Student Trustee does not have pool of members to choose from should she/he need to be absent;

WHEREAS, both the Ex-Officio organizations and Student Trustee would be removed from Ex-Officio status after three unexcused absences per one full term;

WHEREAS, Ex-Officio organizations cannot make up unexcused absences;

WHEREAS, the Student Trustee would be allowed to make up one unexcused absence through projects approved by the Secretary of the Assembly;

WHEREAS, each project completed would count as one half of an absence, unless otherwise approved by the Executive Committee;

WHEREAS, Ex-Officio organizations will not be allowed two excused absences due to the availability of other members within the organization,

WHEREAS, the Student Trustee would be allowed two excused absences per one full term;

WHEREAS, each absence after the two excused absences would be considered an unexcused absence;

WHEREAS, if the Student Trustee would request an excused absence, the Trustee must show reasonable cause for the absence forty-eight hours before the absence is to occur;

WHEREAS, in the case of personal or medical emergency, the Student Trustee would have to show reasonable cause for the absence forty-eight hours of returning to duty;

WHEREAS, the Student Trustee must present all cases and reasons for absence to the Secretary of the Assembly;

WHEREAS, if the Secretary of the Assembly is unable to contact the Student Trustee by phone or email within forty-eight hours of the third unexcused absence, the Secretary of the Assembly will announce the Student Trustee as having been removed from Ex-Officio status;

WHEREAS, if the Student Trustee acquires three unexcused absences, the revocation process, as it applies to the other Ex-Officio organization, will be applied to the Student Trustee position;

WHEREAS, should the Student Trustee be removed from Ex-Officio status, she/he will not lose their position as a Student Trustee, but will not be associated with Student Government Association;

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Trustee will have a separate attendance policy than the other Ex-Officio organizations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Assembly of the Student Government Association along with constituents of Illinois State University, accept the bill authorizing the amendment to the Ex-Officio Branch By-laws;

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Adopted by the Assembly of the Student Government	nent Association on the <u>3</u> day of <u>December</u> , 2008.
We hereunto set our hands in affirmation of the adoption of this bill by the Assembly of the Student Government Association:	
Ted Mason, Student Body President	Matt Spialek, President of the Assembly
I hereunto set my hand it witness and certification Student Government Association:	of the adoption of this bill by the Assembly of the
Jodi Sullivan, Secretary of the Assembly	Vote: <u>16</u> Y <u> </u>