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# SENATE LEGISLATION

## SB-12S-2592

### *SB-12S-2592 : The University Affairs Committee*

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2 Whereas: The Student Government of the University of North Florida was established to  
3 represent student concerns in all University wide matters; and

4 Whereas: The Student Senate is the legislative body of the University of North Florida's  
5 Student Government given the responsibility of carrying out such legislative acts that  
6 are necessary and proper for the Student Body of the University of North Florida;  
7 and

8 Whereas: The Student Government President appoints a large number of students to various  
9 university-wide committees. Through the measures contained within this bill,  
10 senators' overall education and awareness relating to campus-wide issues will  
11 increase. This will further Student Government's lobbying efforts as a whole while  
12 engaging more senators in university matters.

13 Therefore; The Legislative Branch of Student Government is seeking to create Title XIII: The  
14 University Affairs Committee Statutes;

### 15 TITLE XIII: THE UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE STATUTES

#### 16 Chapter 1300: University Affairs Committee

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18 1300.1 The University Affairs Committee is one of the five standing committees of the  
19 Senate. The University Affairs Committee is responsible for acting as a  
20 legislative liaison between the University of North Florida's Student  
21 Government and the University Administration and is responsible for helping  
22 to facilitate Student Government lobbying efforts.

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24 1300.2 The University Affairs Committee shall be composed of up to seven Senators  
25 including the Chairman and six Senators. All voting members of the committee  
26 will be elected or appointed senators including the Vice Chairperson. Non-  
27 voting Ex-Officio members shall include all members of Student Government  
28 who are appointed to university wide committees and the Director of  
29 Governmental Affairs.

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31 1300.3 The University Affairs Committee is responsible for attaining information about  
32 pending university-wide developments from its members (voting and non-  
33 voting). The committee shall have the power to comment on such  
34 developments in the form of simple and joint resolutions that are to be  
35 forwarded to the Senate. If passed in accordance with the normal legislative  
36 process, these resolutions shall be forwarded the appropriate university  
37 administrators and university-wide committees.



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- 1300.4     The University Affairs Committee is responsible for discussing and reviewing completed Lighthouse surveys and, when required, incorporating those results in both simple and joint resolutions.
- 1300.5     The University Affairs Committee shall have jurisdiction over Title XIII.
- 1300.6     Amendments to Title XIII are subject to the normal legislative process.
- 1300.7     The University Affairs Committee shall follow Robert's Rules of Order.

#### **Chapter 1301: UAC Chairperson**

- 1301.1     The Senate shall elect a Senator as Chair of the UAC once every spring semester for a one (1) year term.
- 1301.2     The UAC Chair shall follow duties outlined in Senate Policies and Procedures.
- 1301.3     The UAC Chair shall hold all meetings according to Senate Policies and Procedures.
- 1301.4     The UAC Chair shall keep an updated list of all student government members who serve on university wide committees.
- 1301.5     The UAC Chair shall report to Senate every meeting.
- 1301.6     The UAC Chair shall only vote in the event of a tie.
- 1301.7     The UAC Chair shall call and set the agenda for meetings of the University Affairs Committee and submit minutes following each meeting.

#### **Chapter 1302: UAC Vice-Chairperson**

- 1302.1     The University Affairs Committee Vice-Chairperson shall follow all the duties outlined in the Senate Policies and Procedures.



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2 **Chapter 1303: Simple and Joint Resolutions**

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4 1303.1      The University Affairs Committee will be responsible for discussing and  
5 expressing student opinions on any university-wide polices that affect the  
6 student body.

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8 1303.2      The University Affairs Committee Chair shall be responsible for forwarding  
9 drafts of Simple and Joint Resolutions to the Senate.

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11 **Chapter 1304: University-Wide Reports**

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13 1304.1      The University Affairs Committee, via the Chair, is responsible for drafting a  
14 bi-weekly report detailing the state of university-wide issues based on the  
15 compilation of submitted reports from Student Government members sitting  
16 on university-wide committees. This report shall be presented at each  
17 regularly-scheduled senate meeting during committee chair reports.

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19 1304.2      The University Affairs Committee is responsible for drafting a monthly  
20 report that is to be publicized to the student body. This report shall detail  
21 both university-wide developments on campus issues and state-wide  
22 developments concerning higher education. The Committee can distribute  
23 this report through the Spinnaker, social media, or student wide emails via  
24 the Executive Branch.

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26 **Chapter 1305: Enforcement**

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28 1305.1      The University Affairs Committee shall have the power to recommend to the  
29 President the removal of any member of student government who is serving  
30 on a university wide committee with a two-thirds (2/3) vote. Reasons shall  
31 include, but not be limited to, failure to attend two or more university wide  
32 committee meetings and failure to submit a report, either written or verbal,  
33 to the University Affairs Committee.

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35 **Furthermore: Let it be enacted, by the University of North Florida Student**  
36 **Government that all statutes reflect the proposed creation to Title**  
37 **XIII and be made effective July 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.**

**Senate Action**

Respectfully Submitted: Constitution & Statutes Committee

Introduced by: Senator Zak Varshovi

Senate Action: 35-0-1

Date: April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

Signed, **Zak Varshovi**

*Zak Varshovi, Student Senate President*

**Executive Action**

Let it be known that SB-12S-2592 is hereby

**PASSED** / VETOED / LINE-ITEM VETOED

on this 5 day of April, 2012.

Signed, **Matthew Brockelman**

*Matthew Brockelman, Student Body President*