

1 **Associated Student Government**
2 *University of Arkansas*



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4 *ASG Senate Bill No. 4*

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11 **The Campaign Ticket Reform Act of 2020**

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13 Whereas, Each year during an Associated Student Government
14 election, the candidates for President and Vice President run
15 together on an official campaign ticket and are elected as one
16 Presidential-Vice Presidential slate; and

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18 Whereas, The Treasurer and Secretary candidates do not run on an
19 officially slated joint ticket with a Presidential candidate; and

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21 Whereas, There are no material differences between Vice Presidential
22 duties and the duties of the Treasurer and Secretary in
23 relation to the office of the President; and

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25 Whereas, Section 3.13 of the Constitution of the Student Government
26 of the University of Texas at Austin, a benchmark institution,
27 states that “The Vice President shall be elected by the student
28 body at-large during the annual spring Student Government
29 elections.”; and

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31 Whereas, When The Comprehensive Election Reform bill of 2011 that
32 linked presidential and vice-presidential candidates was
33 passed by the ASG Senate, the duties of the ASG Vice-
34 President were significantly different in function and relation
35 to the President; and

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37 Whereas, ASG does not endorse partisan politics and all candidates
38 wish to serve the entire student body to the fullest; and

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40 Whereas, The Associated Student Government seeks to promote a fair
41 democratic process and encourage the student body to vote
42 for any and all candidates they wish to see represent them in
43 the ASG Executive Committee; then

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Be it therefore resolved:

That effective past 1/1/2021, Title VI, Section 4I. a. "Candidates for President and Vice President shall run together on an official ticket to campaign, be voted upon, and be elected as one Presidential-Vice Presidential slate" of the ASG Code be removed; and

Be it further resolved:

That effective past 1/1/2021, Title VI, Section 7A. be amended to state "No President or Vice President candidate may spend more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, including donations, for the general election. No Treasurer or Secretary candidate's campaign may spend more than five hundred dollars (\$500) each, including donations, for the general election. In the case of a run-off election, the Presidential or Vice Presidential candidates will be allowed a total of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) each in campaign expenses per run-off campaign, while each Treasurer or Secretary candidate will be allowed a total of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) each in campaign expenses per run-off."

Be it further resolved:

That effective past 1/1/2021, Title VI, Section 4I. b. of the ASG Code be amended to state "Any combination of candidates, including President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, may run together on an unofficial ticket to pool resources and garner support".

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Amendments: _____

Vote Count: Aye _____ Nay _____ Abstentions _____

Legislation Status: Passed _____ Failed _____ Other _____

86 Caleb Parker, ASG Chair of the Senate

Date

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Julia Nall, ASG President

Date