The University of West Florida
Student Government Association

Senator Plurality Act

Legislation: 15-16 Bill X

Author(s): Supervisor of Elections Cutshall

First Reading 12/12/15
Yes: 15
No: 1
Abstain: 0

Second Reading 1/29/16
Yes: 15
No: 0
Abstain: 0

Mr. Brandon Robinson
48th Senate President

Be it known that Student Government 15-16 Bill X is hereby signed on

1/29/16

Pass

Veto

Date

Mr. Daniel McBurney
Student Body President
Legislative Intent:
The Legislative Intent of 15-16 Bill X is to change the election requirements of Senators from a majority to a plurality. With multiple candidates running for a limited amount of open positions, it is unlikely for more than a few candidates to receive a majority of votes. This bill specifies that those candidates with the most votes will hold the Senate seats of their college.

Chapter 401: Officers to be Elected

401.1 The following positions shall be elected in the Student Body Elections during the Spring Semester.

A. The President, Vice President, Treasurer, Emerald Coast Governor, and Emerald Coast Senate President and all Senators will be elected by a majority of votes.

B. All Senators will be elected by a plurality of votes. ✓

C. Senate positions will be elected based on representation from each college.

D. Number of senate positions for each college will be determined by the Supervisor of Elections and SGA advisor at least two weeks prior to filing opening.

E. Emerald Coast Senate designated campus positions shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast for the designated Emerald Coast representative seat. The Emerald Coast at large positions shall be filled by the candidates who received a plurality of votes that have not already filled a designated campus position.

1. See Title IX Chapter 906.