The Campaign Ticket Reform Act of 2020

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Caleb Parker, ASG Chair of the Senate

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