Associated Student Government
University of Arkansas

A SG Senate Resolution No. 25
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A Resolution To Change Parking Policies At The University of Arkansas

Whereas, The current student population at the University of Arkansas is 27,562 students; and

Whereas, First-time entering freshmen make up 4,782 students on campus; and

Whereas, University of Arkansas Parking and Transit Committee changed parking policy for the 2020-21 year on October 29, 2019; and

Whereas, 2019-2020 parking pass holders were not aware of the agenda until months after the decision was finalized; and

Whereas, The current parking and transit policy prioritizes first-time entering freshmen over current pass holders; and

Whereas, The parking policy prior to the 2020-21 school year prioritizes current student garage pass holders for renewals of their pass; and

Whereas, 22,780 students would have been eligible for renewal of their parking passes without the current policy; and

Whereas, The University of Arkansas Parking and Transit Office did not inform current policy holders of the new policy until May 4, 2020; and

Whereas, Some students have been on the waiting list for years for parking passes; and

Whereas, Some students have spent thousands of dollars in parking passes over several years; and
Whereas, The University of Arkansas Parking and Transit attempted to offer former pass holders parking passes in Harmon Avenue Parking Garage; and

Whereas, Harmon Avenue Parking Garage is on the other side of campus from students who have classes by Garland Avenue Parking Garage; and

Whereas, Students in previous years have been able to renew their parking pass; and

Be it therefore resolved: The Associated Student Government Senate calls on the University of Arkansas to change the parking policy to the previous policy established prior to October 29, 2019.

Be it therefore resolved: A copy of this resolution be sent to Parking and Transit Director Gary K. Smith, University of Arkansas Parking and Transit Committee, and Chancellor Joseph Steinmetz.

Amendments:

Vote Count: Aye 25 Nay 8 Abstentions 6

Legislation Status: Passed X Failed Other

Caleb Parker, ASG Chair of the Senate 4/21/2021 Date

Julia Nall, ASG President 4/21/2021 Date