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This Resolution Shall Henceforth Be Known As the “Recommendation Relating to the Online Broadcast of Open Meetings of Institutions of Higher Education”

PURPOSE

To recommend that online broadcast of open meetings of institutions of higher education be available to the public.

Whereas: Article VI of the Constitution of The University of Texas at San Antonio’s Student Government Association reads: “The duties and responsibilities of the SGA General Assembly shall be: To review, discuss, consider, and take any necessary action through legislation on all issues which concern the campus or students which are brought to the floor”; and

Whereas: SB 27 is currently being considered by the 84th Texas Legislature’s Senate Committee on Higher Education; and

Whereas: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association believes that government should be accessible and transparent; and

Whereas: SB 27 requires that open meetings of higher education be available to the public through and online medium; and

Whereas: SB 27 will require internet archives that may be accessed by the public at any time; and

Therefore be it resolved: The University of Texas at San Antonio Student Government Association hereby recommends that the 84th Texas Legislature Committee on Higher Education recommend a favorable report of SB 27; and

Be it further resolved: A copy of this resolution is sent to Senator Kel Seliger, Senator Royce West, Senator Paul Bettencourt, Senator Konni Burton, Senator Charles Perry, Senator Kirk Watson, and Senator Judith Zaffirini with this clause omitted from the resolution.

Zack Dunn - SGA President