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A Bill —
To be Entitled “Bobcats United Authorization Act,” relating to
the efforts of Student Government to establish a Town Hall
series designed to engage San Marcos residents in discussion
about hot topic events.

1 WHEREAS: Discussion and debate is to be
2 celebrated at this University; and

3 WHEREAS: Texas State University aims to provide
4 a safe learning environment for each
5 and every student; and

6 WHEREAS: Current events, and a heightened
7 political efficacy has created an
8 atmosphere of involvement and advocacy; and

9 WHEREAS: An exchange of ideas is one of the best
10 ways in which we are to understand each
11 other and strengthen community bonds; and
WHEREAS: A “Town Hall” setting that engages folks and provides insight behind various ideas is the most effective way for us to understand one another; therefore

BE IT ENACTED: That Student Government establish the Bobcats United Town Hall series to address hot topic issues; and

BE IT ENACTED: That the Student Government Code be amended to add

SUBTITLE I- MISCELLANEOUS

CHAPTER 109- BOBCATS UNITED AUTHORIZATION ACT

Article I-ADMINISTRATIVE

$1 AUTAUTHORIZATION. This chapter and all of its regulations are authorized pursuant to Article III(10) (a),(j) of the Student Government Constitution and S.G.C. V. §107.1(2)(a).

$2 PURPOSE. The Senate wishes to encourage student discourse on current issues facing our campus and community while supporting the Texas State Shared Values by fostering “a spirit of inclusiveness, a global perspective, and a sense of community.” The Senate encourages an open discourse and
debate as critical to the advancement of our personal and academic development. To support this end, the Senate wishes to create a forum for dialog through a Town Hall Series to be titled “Bobcats United: A Town Hall Series.” This Town Hall Series will provide for a discussion on current pressing social, political, community and campus topics, allowing the Student Government, through the Student Services Commission, to understand the issues, concerns and opinions of the students. This discourse will permit Student Government to be at the forefront of social discourse on campus.

ARTICLE II. AUTHORIZATION FOR PILOT PROGRAM

§1 AUTHORIZATION. The Senate hereby authorizes the creation of a new program titled “Bobcats United: A Town Hall Series” or “Bobcats United Event” for short.

(a) The topic of a Bobcats United event can be established at the discretion of the President or through passage of a Simple Resolution.

(b) When a determination is made that a topic warrants a Bobcats United event: The President in consultation, with the Director of Student Services, will set the date for the event.

(c) The Student Services Commission shall plan, oversee, and execute the event.
(d) The official Seal of the Bobcats United shall be:

![Bobcats United Seal]

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED: That upon passage this bill be forwarded to Student Body President Andrew Homann for further action.