An act defining quorum, static and fluid bodies; providing a short title; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

Section 1: TITLE: The name of this act shall be known and cited as The Definition of Quorum Act of 2010.

Section 2: Quorum: based on Robert’s rules of order, UOSA adopts the definition of quorum as; “the number (as a majority or otherwise defined) of officers or members of a body that when duly assembled is legally competent to transact business” and “the requirement for a quorum is protection against totally unrepresentative action in the name of the body by an unduly small number of persons.”

Section 3: All uses of the word quorum in the UOSA Constitution is in fact the same meaning as that proscribed in Section 2, and any body that requires a quorum to operate may not do any of the following without said quorum;

- Change rules or regulations of the body
- Choose officers or position(s) of leadership for the body

Section 4: Static bodies in UOSA (ones that have a set number of seats, such as the Judiciary) are regarded as having quorum only when a majority of total set seats are present to do business in order that a weakened body does not abuse the body’s powers. Quorum issues of Fluid bodies of UOSA are based on total active membership (such as the Legislature).

Section 5: “Eligible persons” in the UOSA Constitution means simply eligibility to participate in student government, as eligibility is defined in various sections of the UOSA Constitution for student government offices.

Section 6: Violation of quorum may be grounds for impeachment.
Section 7: This legislation supercedes any previous definitions as the Legislature is the only constitutionally mandated body in UOSA to define rules or regulations in the Constitution (Article III, Section 5) or in UOSA law.

Section 8: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the UOSA Constitution.

Section 9: Copies of this act shall be distributed to:

- The Executive Branch
- The Undergraduate Congress
- The Graduate Student Senate
- The Superior Court
- Campus Activities Council

Author(s): The Graduate Student Senate Executive Committee

Submitted on a motion by:
Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: ________________ Date: __________

Submitted on a motion by:
Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: ________________ Date: __________

UOSA President: ____________________________ Date: __________

University President: ________________________ Date: __________