

Undergraduate Student Government, Kent Campus

Sponsor: Director Moore Co-Sponsors: Senator Taylor, Senator Milam, Director Kierstead, Director Dingey, Director Tabbaa, Chief of Staff Wolford Legislative Code: 3 Wednesday, January29th, 2020 An Act to add TurboVote to the Students First Budget

Whereas, TurboVote allows students to sign up for election reminders, get registered to vote, as well as get an absentee ballot for all local, state, and national elections from a mobile device,

Whereas, national studies show that, "voter participation in the U.S. is critically low and 60 percent of non-voters don't vote because of process issues," ¹

Whereas, according to the "National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement report for Kent State University", at the Kent Campus, only 39% of students voted in the 2018 midterm election², and

Whereas, TurboVote has been implemented with much success at more than 300 institutions of higher education including the Ohio State University, Case Western Reserve, and the University of Akron,

Therefore, BE IT ENACTED by the Undergraduate Student Senate of the Kent Campus of Kent State University, acting in full session, that:

A one-year contract of \$4,500 will be added to the yearly budget to purchase TurboVote for Kent State University, Kent Campus.

Works Cited

1 https://www.democracy.works/tools-for-voters

2 "National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement report for Kent State University"