

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# 75<sup>th</sup> STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: 68

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## A revision to the Student Body Statutes

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY FIFTH STUDENT SENATE THAT:

A revision is made to the Student Body Statutes: § 807.7, 813 (See attached).

This Bill revamps the organizational fund by providing a mechanism to actually allocate the fund as well as defining exactly how the organizational fund shall be used to provide Start-up money for RSOs.

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| Student Senate President                                                                                                                                                                       |                         |
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| CERTIFIED TO THE STUDENT BODY                                                                                                                                                                  |                         |
| Jack Hitchcock                                                                                                                                                                                 | 8/1/2023   10:39 AM EDT |
| President of the Student Body                                                                                                                                                                  | Date                    |
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| Andrew Johnson                                                                                                                                                                                 | 8/1/2023   1:23 PM EDT  |
| Director of Student Governance & Advocacy                                                                                                                                                      | Date                    |
| Dr. dmy Hecht                                                                                                                                                                                  | 8/4/2023   9:42 AM EDT  |
| Vice President of Student Affairs                                                                                                                                                              | Date                    |

### Statute/Amendment Text:

807.7 There shall be an account named "Organizational Fund" in which organizations may apply for initial funds at the beginning of each fall semester.

#### Chapter 813 The RSO Organizational Fund Act of 2023

- 813.1 There shall be an account known as the "Organizational Fund," which shall be administered by the Student Body Treasurer and be available for newly formed, returning, or otherwise revitalized RSOs to apply for start-up funds as they are established.
- 813.2 The Student Body Treasurer shall maintain an application on the SGA website where RSOs may apply for organizational funds and shall determine whether an RSO shall receive funding.
  - <u>A.</u> <u>The application shall open at the start of the new fiscal year and shall</u> <u>remain open until all of its finds are depleted.</u>
  - B. Upon receipt of an application for organizational funds, the Student Body Treasurer must, within one (1) week, schedule a hearing with representatives from the RSO to determine the fiscal responsibility of the request.
    - 1. In the event that the Student Body Treasurer has a conflict of interests with the applicant, pursuant to SBS 205.3, or is otherwise unable to schedule a hearing, the Deputy Treasurer shall hear the request. In the event that the Deputy Treasurer also has a conflict of interest or is unavailable to schedule the hearing, the Student Senate Finance committee shall hear the request.
  - <u>C.</u> At the organizational fund request hearing, applicants must present a plan detailing how they intend to use the requested funding.
  - D. The Student Body Treasurer must report their recommendation of funds to be allocated to the Chair of the Student Senate Finance Committee to draft a consent resolution detailing the disbursement of funds in alignment with the Student Body Treasurer's recommendation. This resolution shall be sent to the Student Senate Finance Committee placed on the Consent Calendar within twenty-four (24) hours of the receipt of said recommendation by the Finance Chair.
    - 1. If the Deputy Treasurer hears the request, then they will forward their recommendation to the Chair of the Student Senate Finance Committee in accordance with this section.
    - 2. If the Student Senate Finance Committee hears the request, they shall determine their recommendation and the Chair of the Student Senate Finance Committee shall draft a consent

resolution to be placed on the Consent Calendar without first being heard in the Finance Committee.

- <u>3.</u> <u>Amendments to this consent resolution shall require a two-</u> <u>thirds (2/3) vote to pass.</u>
- 813.3 Guidelines on Use of Organizational Funds
  - A. The Organizational Fund shall be intended to finance materials integral to the success of a new, returning, or otherwise revitalized RSOs, including but not limited to: flyers, tablecloths, printing, nametags, or any items necessary for the RSOs mission.
  - <u>B.</u> <u>A single RSO may receive up to \$300 from the Organizational</u> <u>Fund each fiscal year.</u>
  - <u>C.</u> <u>RSOs that received A&S fees in the previous fiscal year shall</u> not be eligible to receive money from the Organizational Fund.