



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

76th STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: 10

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A revision to the Student Body Statutes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY SIXTH STUDENT SENATE THAT:

A revision is made to the Student Body Statutes: Chapter 814 (See attached).

This bill updates the max amount of funding organizations can receive from the Organizational Fund and updates the process the money is awarded through.

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Statute/Amendment Text:

Chapter 814 The RSO Organizational Fund Act of 2023

History: Created by 75th Student Senate Bill 68.

- 814.1 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.
- 814.2 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
- A. The application shall open at the start of the new fiscal year and shall remain open until all of its funds are depleted.
 - B. Upon receipt of an application for organizational funds, the Student Body Treasurer must, within one (1) week, schedule a public 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.
 - C. At the organizational fund request hearing, applicants must present a plan detailing how they intend to use the requested funding. The Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer must create a comprehensive funding recommendation for the Senate’s review. The funding recommendation must include a line-item quote of the applicable organization’s request.
 - 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. Upon receiving a funding recommendation from either the Student Body Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer, the Chair of the Student Senate Finance Committee shall immediately draft a consent resolution in alignment with the received recommendation. This resolution shall be directly placed on the Consent Calendar for the subsequent Senate meeting. The resolution must be on the Consent Calendar no later than twenty-four (24) hours following the receipt of the initial recommendation.~~

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.~~ All information provided in the recommendation shall be presented in the senate meeting.
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.~~
3. Amendments to this consent resolution shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote to pass.

814.3 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.
- B. A single RSO may receive up to ~~\$300~~ \$500 from the Organizational Fund each fiscal year.
- C. ~~RSOs that received A&S fees in the previous fiscal year shall not be eligible to receive money from the Organizational Fund.~~
- D. Organizations applying for the Organizational Fund should demonstrate a financial need for start-up costs during the organizational fund request hearing. A good faith effort shall be made to prioritize funding for organizations that have not received A&S fees in the previous fiscal year.