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## STUDENT SENATE

S15RS

SGFB No. 6

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**A FINANCE BILL**

**TO ALLOCATE A MAXIMUM OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$10,000)  
FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE ACCOUNT FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN  
E-TEXTBOOK WEB PLATFORM AND DATABASE FOR LSU LIBRARIES**

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, LSU LIBRARIES STARTED AN INITIATIVE TO OFFER STUDENTS FREE E-TEXTBOOKS THIS SEMESTER BY INVESTING NEARLY \$7,000 TO OBTAIN 28 INDIVIDUAL TITLES AND THOUSANDS MORE ON LARGE PACKAGES CREATING A COLLECTION REPRESENTING 45 DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS; AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE PLATFORM WILL FUNCTION AS AN INTERFACE FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND LSU LIBRARIES TO CULTIVATE MORE ENGAGEMENT IN THE E-TEXTBOOK INITIATIVE; AND

**PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, E-TEXTBOOKS PURCHASED THROUGH LSU LIBRARIES ARE UNLIMITED-USE LICENSE BOOKS ALLOWING EVERY STUDENT TO ACCESS THE BOOKS AT NO COST AND NO EXPIRATION; AND

**PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, THE WEB-BASED PLATFORM WILL OPERATE THROUGH THE LSU LIBRARIES WEBSITE AND WILL OFFER A LINK TO ALL FREE E-TEXTBOOKS TO THE STUDENTS THROUGH MOODLE; AND

**PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE PLATFORM WILL ALLOW INSTRUCTORS TO SEARCH FOR E-TEXTBOOKS OWNED BY LSU LIBRARIES AND SUBMIT ORDERS FOR THOSE UNLIMITED-USE TEXTBOOKS NOT YET OWNED; AND

**PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE PLATFORM WILL ALLOW INSTRUCTORS TO SEARCH FOR ALTERNATE BUT SIMILAR TEXTBOOKS THAT LSU LIBRARIES DOES OWN; AND

**PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, THIS EXPENDITURE WOULD COVER ALL OF THE WEB DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH CREATING, BUILDING, AND PUBLISHING THIS PLATFORM.

**PARAGRAPH 8:** THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT A MAXIMUM OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$10,000) BE ALLOCATED FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES ACCOUNT TO HIRE AN OUTSIDE DEVELOPER TO DESIGN AN E-TEXTBOOK WEB PLATFORM AND DATABASE FOR THE LSU LIBRARIES, AND

**PARAGRAPH 9:** BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS BILL BE TRANSMITTED TO ARLETTE HENDERSON, STUDENT

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GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL COORDINATOR, AND EMILY FRANK,  
INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES LIBRARIAN

**PARAGRAPH 10:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO-THIRDS  
(2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY  
THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL  
ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY  
APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

**APPROVED:**

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ADAM GRASHOFF  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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CLAYTON TUFTS  
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

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