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A BILL
TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT BYLAWS

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, THE LEGISLATIVE SURPLUS ACCOUNT CURRENTLY DOES NOT ALLOW EXPENDITURES FOR STUDENT TRAVEL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES; AND

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, THE ONLY ACCOUNT THE STUDENT SENATE HAS ACCESS TO FOR STUDENT TRAVEL IS THE LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, THIS AMENDMENT WOULD ALLOW THE STUDENT SENATE TO MORE EASILY SPEND THE MONEY WE HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THE STUDENTS WE REPRESENT; AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, THE AMENDED SECTION REGARDING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT SURPLUS ACCOUNT WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE XI: Financial Accounts

§1. Student Government Surplus
(A) Section 1.A. All remaining funds in Student Government Operating Accounts, with the exception of the College Councils Surplus Account, at the end of each fiscal year are transferred to the Student Government Surplus Account.
(B) Section 1.B. Student senators or the Student Body President may request surplus funds via a Finance Bill (SGFB) or an Executive Order (EO).
(C) Section 1.C. The Account shall be viewed as a Rainy Day Fund that may only be used for nonrecurring expenses.
   a. The author of the finance bill or executive order should show proof of reasonable effort at the discretion of the Budget and Appropriations Committee that other funding sources were pursued for the expenditure previously.
   b. No money shall be appropriated from this account for student travel
      i. In the case that the expenses of a finance bill used for student travel are too high to be spent by the Legislative Contingency Account, this account may be used for student travel.
   c. No money shall be appropriated from this account for student organization or department programming and/or events, outside of Student Government.
      i. In the case that the expenses of a finance bill used for a student organization or department outside of student government are too high to be spent by the Legislative Contingency Account, this account may be used.

PARAGRAPH 5: THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THE LSU STUDENT GOVERNMENT BYLAWS BE AMENDED AS SUCH, AND

PARAGRAPH 6: BE IT RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL COORDINATOR, CORTNEY GREAVIS; AND THE CHIEF JUSTICE, ANDREW CHENEVERT.

PARAGRAPH 7: 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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CHRISTINA M. BLACK        STEWART LOCKETT
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE      STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:____________________  DATE:______________