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SENATE BILL #2489

TITLE: One Year Provisional Extension of Privileges to the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils

DATE: February 18, 2016

AUTHOR: President Schueler

SPONSORS: Vice President Kath; Senators Ellbogen and Krell




1. WHEREAS, it is the mission of the of the Associated Students of the University of
2. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government to serve our fellow students through responsible
3. and effective leadership; and,
4. WHEREAS, the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils (hereafter referred to as IFC and
5. CPH) have traditionally been considered as Programs of the ASUW Student Government;
6. and,
7. WHEREAS, these councils have provided important services to students who are members
8. of fraternities and sororities at the University of Wyoming (UW); and,
9. WHEREAS, decisions made in February 2016 resulted in the reclassification of the IFC and
10. CPH as Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs); and,
11. WHEREAS, the Constitution of the ASUW Student Government holds that the ASUW
12. Student Government is an “inseparable part of the University of Wyoming;” and,
13. WHEREAS, the Constitution of the ASUW Student Government grants the ASUW
14. Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches the authority and responsibility to conduct
15. ASUW Business, including the Services and Programs of ASUW; and,
16. WHEREAS, UW Regulation 8-234 holds that RSOs are not a part of the University and that
17. the University is not responsible or liable for those RSOs; and,
18. WHEREAS, barring action by the ASUW Student Government, the IFC and CPH will face

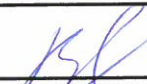
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19. funding shortages and a lack of representation which will impact their ability to serve their
20. constituents; and,
21. WHEREAS, providing a temporary extension of the funding and representational privileges
22. which were afforded to these councils in their former role as ASUW Programs will prevent a
23. sudden disruption of services to students; and,
24. WHEREAS, a one year period of stopgap funding and representational privileges will
25. provide ample time for the student leadership of the IFC and CPH to find permanent
26. solutions to serve their constituents.
27. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
28. University of Wyoming that Article III of the ASUW Finance Policy be amended to reflect
29. the changes contained in Addendum A; and,
30. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the changes contained in Addendum A shall take
31. effect immediately; and,
32. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the deletions contained in Addendum B shall take
33. effect beginning on the first day of Fiscal Year 2018.

Referred to: Program and Institutional Development

Date of Passage: 4/12/16 **Signed:** 
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 4/21/2016, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.” 
ASUW President

Addendum A

Article III. ASUW RSO Funding Board

- vi. The ASUW Senate through the RSO Funding Board possesses sole authority to allocate ASUW funds directly to RSOs.
 - 1. For funding provided to the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council during only the 2017 Fiscal Year which would otherwise be in violation of sections viii and ix of this article, the ASUW Senate through the Budget and Planning Committee shall have authority to allocate these ASUW funds.
 - vii. No other ASUW program, service, governing board, or any other ASUW entity (except Special Projects) shall have the authority to allocate any ASUW funds directly to an RSO.
 - 1. If an ASUW program or service wishes to forfeit a portion of its allocated budget to support RSO programming it may transfer those funds to the RSO Funding Board.
 - 2. Funds transferred to the RSO Funding Board from any ASUW program or service become part of the general fund of the RSO Funding Board.
 - 3. The ASUW entity that forfeits funds shall have no influence as to the group or program to which the transferred funds are reallocated by the RSO Funding Board.
 - viii. RSOs shall not receive funding from ASUW for normal operating expenses, membership fees, dues, or organizational publications.
 - ix. RSOs shall not receive funding from ASUW for travel expenses except when part of the contractual expenses of a performer or speaker.
- (...)
- xxxii. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council shall be exempt from the stipulations of Article III, Section ix and Article III, Section xxvii, Clause 2 for the 2017 Fiscal Year. These organizations will also be exempt from the stipulations of Article III, Section viii regarding 'normal operating expenses' and 'organizational publications.'
 - 1. If the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council receive funds in the FY2017 ASUW budget, those organizations shall fully adhere to the rules, operating procedures and requirements which apply to ASUW Programs as specified in the ASUW Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Procedures and Finance Policy.
 - a. Failure to adhere to these stipulations shall result in forfeiture of ASUW funding.
 - 2. For funding needs not classified as 'normal operating expenses', travel or 'organizational publications', the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council may only receive these funds through the established RSO Funding Board process.

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