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UNIVERSITY**

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**23rd SESSION OF THE FIFTY SECOND SENATE  
22 MARCH 2023**

**BILL #5217  
Financial Visibility Act**

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**SPONSORED BY:** Nora Aslan, Chair, Internal Affairs Committee, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Sammy Trout, Chair, University Affairs Committee, Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Adrian Salazar, Chair, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Affairs Committee, Senator, Pride Resource Center; Morgan Wright, Senator, College of Natural Sciences;

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**ABSTRACT:** This bill aims to provide financial visibility to Senators and their constituents.

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**WHEREAS**

ASCSU does not have a way for students and Senators to see how much money the ASCSU Senate spends; and,

**WHEREAS**

A way to do this would provide greater transparency and financial visibility to ASCSU, our constituents, and CSU Administration; and,

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### **WHEREAS**

Showing students what projects were funded can help increase dialogue between Senators and students, and spark new ideas for projects; and,

### **WHEREAS**

Many Senators do not know how much money ASCSU has and spends, or what projects have been funded in the past; and,

### **WHEREAS**

An easily accessible document showing what Senate funds helps keep us accountable to our constituents; so,

### **THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That a new subsection be added to the ASCSU Senate Bylaws, Section V Bills and Resolutions, and Leges and Micro-Legislation between P and Q that states: "The ASCSU website shall be updated after a bill is passed allocating money from the Senate Discretionary Fund with information on the expenses from the Senate Discretionary Fund, including The Amount remaining in the Senate Discretionary Fund, the amount used by the bill, the Bill title, and a link to the bill. This shall be done within seven days after the passage of a bill; and,

1. This shall be done following the next Senate session after passage within seven days after the signature of a bill or a veto override; and,
2. The Senate Discretionary Fund amount shall be found under the Senate Section of the ASCSU website under a new subtab labeled "Senate Discretionary Fund".
3. It shall also be found under the ASCSU records website.

### **THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That a bullet point is be added to the job description of the ASCSU Parliamentarian beneath the requirement "Maintain the Bill Book", that states:  
"The Parliamentarian shall update the ASCSU website with information regarding the funds allocated from the Senate Discretionary Fund.  
Within 7 days of every allocation of money from the Senate.  
Within 7 days of every signature of approval from the ASCSU President.  
Other relevant changes to the amount in the ASCSU Senate Discretionary Fund whenever applicable." ; and,

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This information will be made available in a format such as .docx or .pdf file to be accessible for those who use screen readers and other adaptive technology.

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That the section of the Committee Chair Job Descriptions stating "The Budgetary Affairs Chair has the responsibility to assist the Speaker Pro Tempore with keeping track of funds left in the Senate General Fund and Senate Leadership Discretionary Fund." be amended to state:

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- “The Budgetary Affairs chair shall assist the Parliamentarian in updating the ASCSU website with all information relevant to funding allocated from the Senate Discretionary Fund.” ; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER ENACTED**

That a copy of this document is sent Rob Long, President of ASCSU; Amy Parsons, CSU President; Tony Frank, Chancellor of the CSU System; Kevin Clark, ASCSU Parliamentarian; Mia Ritter, ASCSU Budgetary Affairs Committee Chair, Senator, Native American Cultural Center

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