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**FUNDING OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY TRI-CITIES**

Section 1 ASWSUTC By-Law edits are as follows. Additions are bolded, underlined, and highlighted; deletions are crossed out. Subsequent numbering will also be changed in order to preserve sequential numbering of the By-Laws.

Section 2 C. Funding requests

i. It is the responsibility of the person or persons requesting additional funds to complete a funding request form as well as lobbying the Senate and its individual Senators for its processing and passage through the Finance Committee and General Senate.

ii. A Funding Request line item shall be established in the ASWSUTC budget that is of the exact amount Services and Activities Fees Committee awards to ASWSUTC

iii. Any registered student organization, organization, or department that would be eligible to request from Services and Activities Fees Committee is eligible to request from the ASWSUTC Senate.

**iv. Organizations may request up to $3,000 per academic year. Organizations that have already been allocated $3,000 may submit a budget petition to the Senate in order to request additional funds. An organization representative must be present at the Senate meeting when the budget petition is discussed. Budget petitions require a 2/3 (two-thirds) vote of approval to be passed by the Senate.**

**a. In the event that a budget petition is denied, the organization may appeal the decision through written notification to the Senate. In order to appeal, the organization must show substantial additional information, as well as demonstrate initiative to find alternative funding sources.**

**v. Organizations may request funding for legislative affairs without the funding affecting the organization’s $3,000 limit.**

Section 3 As an organization dedicated to advocacy, ASWSUTC encourages students and organizations to advocate for legislative change. By allowing organizations to request funds for legislative affairs without sacrificing other club activities, more students will have the opportunity to enact change and improve circumstances for WSU Tri Cities students.

Section 4 This bill shall take effect immediately upon signing by the ASWSUTC President or five (5) days following Senate approval. In the event of a veto, the President must inform the Vice President and Senate Pro-Tempore within five (5) days of the approval date.

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