Bill No. 2122-41

An Act to Empower the Communications Liaison to Promulgate Rules Related to Digital Properties Under WSBA Control

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Background:

The Washburn Student Bar Association communicates to the student body through numerous channels and digital properties under its control. The WSBA assigns and delegates authority to communicate to the student body to the Communication Liaison. The various channels and digital properties have several unique demands and requirements that require discretion, versatility, and flexibility, including but not limited to graphic dimensions, deadlines, word limits, and file type.

Legislative Notes:

This bill seeks to give authority to the Communications Liaison to develop, write, promulgate, and enforce rules and regulations necessary to fulfill the demands and responsibilities of their position. This bill also establishes administrative authorities for all WSBA digital properties and channels.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on February 25, 2022, with a vote of:

Ayes:

Nays: Ø

Abstentions: Ø

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Section 1. Definitions:

- (a) "WSBA digital properties" shall mean:
 - (i) The WSBA newsletter;
 - (ii) The WSBA newsletter email address;
 - (iii) The WSBA website;
 - (iv) All WSBA social media channels; and
 - (v) Any other digital platform related to WSBA communication channels
- (b) "Full administrative authority and access" shall mean establishing as admins with full administrative authority and permissions, or substantially similar permissions. Where applicable, full administrative authority and access shall be constructively delivered and established by documenting and sharing the respective log-in information for the digital property or channel.
- (c) "Communications access" shall mean making information designated for dissemination readily available on or through WSBA digital properties and accommodating requests to use WSBA digital properties to disseminate information.
- Section 2. The Washburn Student Bar Association shall hereby authorize the Communications Liaison to develop, write, promulgate, and enforce rules and regulations necessary for the Communications Liaison to accomplish, fulfill, and effectuate the duties and responsibilities of their position. This power and authority shall be at the discretion of the Communications Liaison, which is subject only to rescission or amendment by a majority vote of the General Council or by order from a Washburn University School of Law administrator.
- **Section 3.** The Communications Liaison shall publish any rules or regulations to the WSBA website or on the most applicable WSBA digital property and channel and shall notify the council of any changes during position reports during Governing Body meetings or by email to the Governing Body.
- **Section 4.** The Communications Liaison's discretion, as exercised through Section 3 of this Act, shall be limited to creating rules that are reasonably tailored to comply with applicable law, university policies and regulations, WSBA Bylaws and policies, and platform terms of service

and capabilities. The Communication Liaison shall make a good faith effort to ensure reasonable communications access to all members of the WSBA and the faculty and staff of Washburn Law.

Section 5. All WSBA digital properties shall have administrative authority and access tied to an official WSBA email address. All WSBA digital properties shall never be exclusively tied to an individual's private email address, other digital accounts, or other personal information. All full administrative authority and access login information of all official WSBA digital properties shall be shared with the appropriate Washburn Law faculty or staff and kept up to date immediately upon change to ensure continuity between WSBA Council position holders.

Section 6. The Communications Liaison shall be empowered to solicit and designate individuals from within the WSBA General Council to assist in effectuating their duties and responsibilities. The Communications Liaison, when practicable, shall only grant the most restricted access to the WSBA digital properties as needed to fulfill the duties. The Communications Liaison shall be held responsible for their delegates and remove access immediately upon the delegate's termination of duties.

Section 7. Any WSBA policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

Section 8. This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.