

**Bill No. 2122-60**

**An Act to Temporarily Incentivize Washburn Law Student Organizations to Host More Social Events**

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*Background:*

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) is encouraging student organizations at Washburn Law to offer social events throughout the school year to promote student engagement. This benefits students by offering social events outside of classes and lunch & learns and benefits student organizations by promoting a culture of belonging on campus. The act shall only incentivize student organizations to hold social events during the Fall and Spring semesters. Funds have already been appropriated for this program listed as "WU Law After Dark;" therefore, no additional funding is necessary.

*Legislative Notes:*

This bill seeks to encourage student organizations to offer social events by covering food expenses to incentivize student engagement.

Presented to and amended by the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on April 15, 2022, with a vote of:

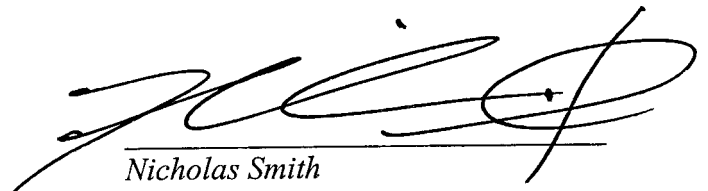
*Ayes: 13*

*Nays: 0*

*Abstentions: 1*



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## AN ACT

### **Section 1. Policy Goals.**

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) shall hereby temporarily incentivize student organizations to host more social events or co-sponsor social events to engage the student body at Washburn Law to foster a community of belonging. This program shall be called and considered "WU Law After Dark," and this program is funded by the 2022-2023 budget item of the same name. Each registered student organization is heavily encouraged to participate, and registered student organization participation shall not be mandated.

### **Section 2. Program.**

The Washburn Student Bar Association shall encourage student organizations to hold social events every month during the Fall and Spring semesters to accomplish the purposes of this Act. These months, however, shall exclude the summer semester.

These social events shall be either a movie night or game night to qualify under this program. The social event must provide food in conformity with Section 3 of this Act. Events hosted and produced under this program must occur on-campus and must be open to all students. Due to the nature of social events, Zoom attendance options are not mandatory but are encouraged if practically accommodatable. Events under this program shall not qualify as an activity, pursuant to the WSBA Registered Student Organizations Bylaw.

### **Section 3. Funding for Food.**

To accomplish the purposes of this Act, WSBA shall cover the cost of food for the scheduled social events up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per social event. This cost shall not count against the registered student organization's annual allocation of funding from WSBA. Funding for this shall be granted and expended from the "WU Law After Dark" line item of the WSBA 2022-2023 budget.

### **Section 4. Event activities.**

The social events shall be either a movie night or game night to qualify for this program. If the student organization chooses a game night, the student organization must use the games in possession of the WSBA. If the student organization needs games not owned by or with access to WSBA, WSBA may appropriate additional funding for said games in its discretion. Upon the purchase of the games, the games become property of WSBA and shall be subject to WSBA property policies.

If the student organization chooses a movie night, additional funding can be provided by WSBA to facilitate the movie. Such funding shall be limited to a maximum of ten dollars (\$10) and shall be granted and expended from the “WU Law After Dark” line item from the WSBA budget.

**Section 5.** Any WSBA law, policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 6.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**Section 7.** This Act shall expire upon the last day of classes for the Washburn Law academic calendar of Spring 2023.