AN ACT TO AMEND THE CSUN BYLAW CHAPTER 1208: TEXTBOOK RESERVE SPONSORSHIP

Bill Number: SB 54-64

Authors of Legislation: Senator Rayan Muneer, College of Sciences and Senator Zara Hankins, College of Fine Arts
Sponsor of Legislation: CSUN University Initiatives Committee

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada (CSUN) represents all 25,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada Las Vegas; AND

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada, under the authority of CSUN Constitution VI.D.01, is “empowered to enact any legislation that falls under the jurisdiction of CSUN”; AND

WHEREAS, Chapter 1208 of the CSUN Bylaws has been added to create a permanent funding mechanism for the University Libraries system at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in order to provide a limited number of textbooks for selected courses through a monitored reserve program. The program also enables the University Libraries to expand its existing Course Reserves Service; AND

WHEREAS, the University Libraries system at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas require greater funding to continue expanding the Course Reserves Service;

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, that the following amendments to the CSUN Bylaws shall reflect the increase in funding provided to the Textbook Reserve sponsorship for the 2024-2025 academic year and onwards - until changes are proposed through the CSUN University Initiatives Committee and approved by the CSUN Senate. Whereas, the CSUN will allow the diversification of funding to be 50% on textbook programs and 50% on technology programs at the University Lied Library.
Chapter 1208: Textbook Reserve Sponsorship

Section 01: Purpose

A. To create a permanent funding mechanism for the University Libraries system at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in order to provide a limited number of textbooks for selected courses through a monitored reserve program. The program also enables the University Libraries to expand its existing Course Reserves Service.

Section 02: Funding

A. Each August, an amount of twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars ($23,500) from the CSUN Sponsorship Budget received from student fees shall be allocated to the University Libraries at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas for use in the Textbook Reserve Program.

1. $11,750 will be available each academic year for the University Libraries to use in partnership with the UNLV Bookstore in order to purchase the necessary textbooks.
   i. A portion of this funding may be used to bind previously purchased textbooks in order to ensure their longevity.

2. $11,750 will be available each academic year to purchase technology where the University Libraries deem fit.

Section 03: Requirements

A. Prior to the funding disbursement, the University Libraries will submit a budget to the University Initiatives Committee that meets these requirements and justifies the continued sponsorship of the Textbook Reserve Sponsorship at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

B. Representatives from the University Libraries shall provide a report twice each academic year to CSUN:

1. Prior to the start of each semester, academic courses with high enrollment and those with expensive texts will be identified by the University Libraries.
   i. These courses with their associated textbooks and costs will be provided to the University Initiatives Committee in a document for their review.
      a. The textbooks purchased must be presented to the Constitution & Bylaws Committee during the semester in which they are to be used.
      1. If a textbook is purchased after this presentation date, it will be included in the following semesters’ presentation.
      b. In choosing between used or new versions of a textbook, the
decision will be made based upon the quality of the used books that are available at that time for purchase.

C. University Libraries staff will aggregate semester usage data, textbook availability issues, as well as any unintended consequences associated with the program and share findings with CSUN representatives.

D. The University Libraries reserves space for the approved textbooks and incorporates their use into its general course reserves procedures.
   1. A record of each book included in the program shall be created in the Libraries online catalog.
   2. The general University Libraries checkout policy will apply to all textbooks checked out by UNLV students.
   3. A student is limited to the use of 2 reserve items at a time in keeping with the guidelines and procedures for all items on reserve.
   4. Any checkout fines will be retained by the Libraries; replacement fees will revert back to the Textbook Reserve Program to fund replacement or new textbooks as appropriate.
   5. Library Staff shall affix each textbook with an identifying tag that clearly signifies that it is funded by CSUN and is part of the CSUN/University Libraries Textbook Reserve Program

E. It is the responsibility of the current Chair of University Initiatives, or their chosen representative, to contact the University Libraries prior to August 1st of each fiscal year to present them with the most recent copy of their sponsorship

F. All funds not expended by the University Libraries system for any and all purposes outlined within this chapter shall be returned to the CSUN Sponsorship Budget on or before April 30 of each calendar year.
SB 54-64, ADOPTED by the Senate on this ___ Day of ___, 20__

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Christian Abbo, Senate President

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______________________, Senate Secretary
SB 54-64, APPROVED on this ___ Day of __, 20__ by

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Allister Dias, Student Body President