CONSOLIDATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

56th Legislative Session

SENATE BILL 56-212

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 1214: OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SPONSORSHIP

Bill Number: SB 56-212

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Sponsor of Legislation: CSUN University Initiatives

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada Las Vegas (CSUN) represents all 27,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada Las Vegas; and

WHEREAS, CSUN Sponsorships are managed through the University Initiatives Committee, which is responsible for reviewing ongoing sponsorships and recommending measures to effectively manage the CSUN Sponsorship Budget; **AND**

WHEREAS, CSUN Bylaw Chapter 1214: Office of Undergraduate Research Sponsorship establishes an annual allocation of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) to support the UNLV Office of Undergraduate Research**; AND**

WHEREAS, Chapter 1214, Section 03(D) currently requires all unexpended sponsorship funds to be returned to the CSUN Sponsorship Budget by June 30 of each fiscal year; **AND**

WHEREAS, retaining unexpended funds in the recipient department's account and deducting the balance from the following year's disbursement reduces unnecessary account transfers while keeping the sponsorship within its approved annual allocation; **AND**

WHEREAS, this amendment seeks to accurately reflect these financial procedures while maintaining transparency, accountability, and responsible management of student funds without changing the established annual sponsorship allocation or its intended purpose**;**

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, that CSUN Bylaw Chapter 1214: Office of Undergraduate Research Sponsorship be amended to revise the requirements regarding unexpended sponsorship funds, as outlined in Addendum A.

ADDENDUM A

CHAPTER 1214: OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SPONSORSHIP

SECTION 03: REQUIREMENTS

A.. Each end of the fiscal year, all money disbursed towards the Office of Undergraduate Research ($20,000) must be used for the following items.

1. Undergraduate Research Fellowships
2. Undergraduate Poster Printing
3. Symposium Production

B. At least two CSUN officials (chosen by the CSUN President) must serve on the OUR Fellowship selection committee.

C. Prior to March 31st, a representative from the Office of Undergraduate Research must provide a report to University Initiatives Committee detailing the usage and impact of CSUN funding and a report of overall department updates from the past year.

1. CSUN's name and/or logo shall be prominently displayed on presentations.

D. Any CSUN sponsorship funds remaining unexpended at the end of each fiscal year shall remain within the recipient department's designated account. The remaining balance shall be reported to the CSUN University Initiatives Committee and deducted from the amount of the recurring sponsorship funding disbursed in the following fiscal year.

~~D. All funds not expended by the Office of Undergraduate Research for any and all purposes outlined within this chapter shall be returned to the CSUN Sponsorship Budget on or before June 30 of each fiscal year.~~

SB 56-212, ADOPTED by the Senate on this ___ Day of ___, 20__

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Sharon Flores, Senate President

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Liana Wieand, Senate Secretary

SB 56-212, APPROVED on this __ Day of __, 20__ by

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Kelechi Odunze, Student Body President