**Associated Student Government**

*University of Arkansas*

*ASG Senate Bill No. 04*

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Sponsor(s): Senator Cassidy Cook, Senator Brandon Davis

**A Bill Funding Programming for Student Safety**

Whereas,     The University of Arkansas is a rapidly growing campus with a

current enrollment of 27,558 undergraduate and graduate students

spanning 788 acres 1 .  As the campus continues to develop and

expand, so will the potential for crime on our campus; and

Whereas,     The University of Arkansas Police Department (UAPD), along

with their affiliates have committed to protect and serve the

Arkansas community, ‘by promoting a safe and secure environment

through excellence, initiative and integrity; and

Whereas,      According to RAINN (Rape Abuse Inset Nation Network) 11.2% of

all students experience rape or sexual assault through physical force,

                       violence, or incapacitation (among all graduate and undergraduate

students; and 2

Whereas,      Previously, in the ASG Resolution 3, the Associated Student

Government Senate committed itself to raising the awareness on

crosswalk safety and potential need for further safety features; and

Whereas,      The University of Arkansas is offering 417 night classes this fall and

The campus has 4,866 parking spots, for commuters and students

living in residence halls along with other students leaving or walking

across campus at late hours; and

Whereas,      The Associated Student Government Senate being vested as the

voice of the student body finds it necessary to provide financing by

ASG Senate to help fund the awareness and establishment of

Student Safety initiatives outlined in the University of Arkansas

Clery Report (2016)3 ; then

Be it therefore resolved:      The Associated Student Government Senate allocates $500

from the Senate Legislative allocations Budget Line

(LS PROG) for the purchase of hot chocolate, distress

signal lights and whistles; and

Be it further resolved:          The Associated Student Government Senate wishes to

spend $200 for about 55 whistles 5 and $200 for

about 50 distress signal lights 4. As well as $60 for hot

chocolate and $40 for educational materials (such as

handouts). These materials will be passed out at an

event early in the spring semester; and

Be it further resolved: All funds not used be reallocated back to ASG Senate

(LS PROG); and

Be it further resolved:         The University of Arkansas Associated Student

Government Senate is committed to ensuring the

safety of all students while walking across campus by education

and awareness of various safety features. The

approval of these funds allows the Associated Student

Government Senate to raise awareness and explore

other areas of campus safety improvement.

Be it further and finally resolved:  A copy of this resolution be sent to: UAPD

Captain Gary Crain (Crime Prevention),

Director of Parking and Transit Gary Smith,

Vice Chancellor of Facilities Management Mike

Johnson

1 <https://oir.uark.edu/students/enrollment-reports/fall2017enrlrptsummary.pdf>

2 <https://www.rainn.org/statistics/campus-sexual-violence>

3. <https://uapd.uark.edu/clery/Clery_Report_2016.pdf>

4.<https://www.amazon.com/Rechargeable-Running-Walking-Jogging-Flashing/dp/B074TDFFRZ/ref=sr_1_4?ie=UTF8&qid=1511403528&sr=8-4&keywords=walking+warning+lights>

5.<https://www.amazon.com/Fox-40-Classic-Safety-Whistle/dp/B003T14NYQ/ref=nav_ya_signin?ie=UTF8&qid=1511742279&sr=8-15&keywords=thelifeguardstore&>

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Amendments:

Vote Count: Aye 44 Nay 2 Abstentions 0

Legislation Status: Passed yes Failed­ Other

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Colman Betler, ASG Chair of the Senate Date

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Andrew Counce, ASG President Date