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STUDENT HEALTH FEE

Short Title: A resolution that will require a Health Fee at Arkansas State University.

Whereas, A majority of students on Arkansas State University do not have insurance or if they do have insurance it requires a large deductible and for many students out of pocket fees, that are due at the time of visitation, are limited and are left without additional financial resources, and

Whereas, The Student Health Center is only budgeted for two full-time APNs, one LPN, and one full time secretary, which is not enough staff to assist more than approximately 3,000 documented students requesting to be seen per month and give them the proper time and medical assistance they need, which results in more than half of students to be turned away, and

Whereas, If the nurse practitioners are seeing patients, there is no time for follow-up of labs, diagnostic studies, and etc. of diagnosed breast cancer, leukemia, thyroid cancer that has been diagnosed here at ASU Health Center, so patient slots have to be cut in order to have administration to provide adequate follow-up and there is no time for the students to receive the best care available to them without cutting slots, and

Whereas, The Health Center does not have a Pharmacist and Pharmacy Tech at the Health Center which requires students to pay full price for medication at other Pharmacies and cause some students not to get the medications they need at times.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

EMERGENCY CLAUSE:

This resolution should be handled in an expedient manner by passing or failing this resolution at the April 3, 2007 Senate meeting.

1. There will be a fee of thirty dollars a semester and half the fee of fifteen dollars in the summer time.
2. This fee will only apply to Arkansas State University Jonesboro enrolled students. If not enrolled at Arkansas State University Jonesboro the fees will not be waived and have to pay the applied fees.

3. There will be a Pharmacist and Pharmacy Tech hired to reopen the Pharmacy on Arkansas State University campus.

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