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## STUDENT SENATE

## S13RS

## SGFB No. 5

BY: SENATOR BUVENS AND DO

## A FINANCE BILL

TO ALLOCATE A MAXIMUM OF TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$800.00) FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES ACCOUNT TO THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (LSUPD) TO THE BAIT BIKE PROGRAM..

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, LSUPD HAS NOTED AN INCREASE IN THEFTS ON CAMPUS SINCE 2006, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE AREA DIRECTLY SURROUNDING LSU IS KNOWN TO BE A HIGH CRIME AREA, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, SINCE 2006, THERE HAVE BEEN 283 REPORTED INCIDENTS IN MIDDLETON LIBRARY. AN ESTIMATED 2/3 OF THESE INCIDENTS WERE THEFTS. 1/2 OF THOSE REPORTED THEFTS WERE OF LAPTOPS, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, MIDDLETON LIBRARY IS A PRIME STUDY AND WORK LOCATION FOR FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE INCREASED NUMBER OF LAPTOP THEFTS HAVE CAUSED THE LSUPD TO SEEK OUT A PLAN TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF LAPTOPS BEING STOLEN, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE UNIT UNDERTAKING THIS TASK HAS DEVELOPED A PLAN THAT THEY BELIEVE WILL BE EFFECTIVE IN REDUCING LAPTOP THEFT. THIS PLAN REQUIRES THE USE OF A MODERN, HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER BRAND OF LAPTOP, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, THE MAJORITY OF THE LAPTOPS STOLEN WERE MACBOOK'S, DUE TO THEIR VALUE, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 8:** WHEREAS, THE LSUPD BELIEVES A MACBOOK PRO LAPTOP WOULD SERVE THEIR OPERATION EFFECTIVELY AS IT IS A POPULAR DEVICE ON CAMPUS. THEY WOULD USE IT FOR MULTIPLE OPERATIONS FOR YEARS TO COME, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 9:** WHEREAS, THE LISTED PRICE FOR THE STANDARD 11" MACBOOK PRO IS \$1,199.00, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 10:** WHEREAS, THE UNIT RECEIVED A LAPTOP FROM THEIR SUPERIORS TODAY, SO THE FUNDING FOR THE LAPTOP IS NOT NEEDED, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 11:** WHEREAS, THE LSUPD HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN WORKING WITH STUDENT GOVERNMENT TO EDUCATE STUDENTS OF THE LAPTOP THEFTS ON CAMPUS, AND;

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**PARAGRAPH 12:** WHEREAS, THE LSUPD HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN REDUCING THE INSTANCES OF BIKE THEFT ON CAMPUS BY IMPLIMENTING A SIMILAR SYSTEM OF A DECOY BIKE, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 13:** WHEREAS, IN PREVIOUS YEARS, THERE HAS BEEN A NOTED REDUCTION IN BIKE THEFTS IN RESPONSE TO THE BIKE BAIT PROGRAM, BUT THEFTS ARE STILL A COMMON OCCURRENCE, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 14:** WHEREAS, IN THE 100+ ARRESTS FROM THE PROGRAM OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS HAVE ONLY RESULTED IN INVOLVEMENT FROM TWO STUDENTS. THE MAJORITY OF THE THEFTS WERE COMMITTED BY PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF THE LSU COMMUNITY, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 15:** WHEREAS, MANY STUDENTS USE LAPTOPS AND OTHER VALUABLE ELECTRONICS TO STUDY WITH IN THE LIBRARY. THUSLY, MIDDLETON LIBRARY HAS BEEN THE LOCATION FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE ACCESSORY THEFTS, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 16:** WHEREAS, MANY OF THE ARRESTS MADE WERE IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER THEFTS ON CAMPUS, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 17:** WHEREAS, LSUPD HAS SHOWN AN INTEREST IN CONTINUING THIS INIATIVE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH STUDENT GOVERNMENT BY INDEPENDENTLY FUNDING THE BIKE BAIT PROGRAM EVERY OTHER YEAR, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 18:** WHEREAS, THE COST OF THE GPS TRACKER AND ITS COMPONENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. PT10 LIVE GPS TRACKER - \$229.00
2. PT10 ACTIVATION FEE - \$19.95
3. MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION - \$39.95 PER MONTH  
(X12) - \$479.40

TOTAL= \$728.35

**PARAGRAPH 19:** WHEREAS, THE LSUPD IS UNABLE TO FUND THE LAPTOP THEMSELVES AND IS UNABLE TO FUND THE GPS EVERY YEAR DUE TO THE UNIVERSITY IMPLEMENTED BUDGET CUTS, AND;

**PARAGRAPH 20:** WHEREAS, THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS AND THEIR BELONGINGS IS A PRIORITY OF NOT ONLY LSUPD, BUT OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT AS WELL.

**PARAGRAPH 21:** THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE THAT A MAXIMUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$800.00) BE ALLOCATED TO THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF A GPS TRACKING SYSTEM IN RESPONSE TO THEFT ON CAMPUS, AND;

109 **PARAGRAPH 22:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO-THIRDS  
110 (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY  
111 THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL  
112 ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY  
113 APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.  
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