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Bill 14-26-S. Funding for Student Government Association Campus Safety and Security Week

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate \$580 to support Campus Safety & Security Week programming and student engagement initiatives.

WHEREAS: The Student Government Association recognizes the importance of campus safety education and proactive engagement with students regarding personal safety, emergency preparedness, and university safety resources, and

WHEREAS: In accordance with resolution 1-26-S, the Student Government Association has designated March 30 through April 3, 2026 as Campus Safety & Security Week, with the Campus Safety & Security Committee proposing the theme “Don’t Be a Fool,” to promote awareness and engagement around safety measures on Western Kentucky University’s campus, and

WHEREAS: The Campus Safety & Security Committee and its campus partners have planned a series of educational programs and engagement events throughout the week, including daily informational tabling, safety training opportunities, collaborative programming with campus safety partners, and community dialogue opportunities, and

WHEREAS: Planned programming for Campus Safety & Security Week includes:

Daily Tabling (March 30 – April 3) from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. outside Downing Student Union to provide safety information and resources to students;

Monday, March 30, 2026: Evening Campus Safety Walk with university administrators and a potential guest speaker from Kentucky State University, followed by a listening session to gather student feedback regarding campus safety concerns;

Tuesday, March 31, 2026: “R.H.F. and Safety Information Session” with WKU Campus Police, Environmental Health & Safety, and Student Conduct in the DSU Auditorium or Nite Class;

Wednesday, April 1, 2026: Campus Safety Fair from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on the South Lawn with campus and community partners tabling and educational engagement opportunities;

Thursday, April 2, 2026: “Senate and Self Defense on the South Lawn,” featuring a self-defense training session following the Student Government Association Senate meeting at 5:00 p.m., and



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WHEREAS: The money will come from legislative discretionary funding, and

WHEREAS: In order to successfully promote and implement Campus Safety & Security Week programming, funding is necessary to support promotional materials, student engagement incentives, and event logistics including:

\$260 will be allocated to Liberty Printing for the purchase of 150 “Don’t Be A Fool” wristbands, priced at \$260.00 to distribute to students and volunteers promoting the week’s theme and safety awareness;

One **\$250** student scholarships, done via one drawing after all of the week’s programming has concluded, to encourage meaningful engagement with campus safety initiatives; and

\$70 will be allocated for Dirty Soda Supplies with a donation of canned drinks which will be handed out to attendants at the beginning of the Campus Safety Walk on a first-come, first-serve basis, and

WHEREAS: These expenditures are intended to increase student awareness of campus safety resources, strengthen relationships between students and campus safety partners, and foster a safer and more informed WKU community, and

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University will allocate **\$580** to support Campus Safety & Security Week programming including promotional materials, engagement incentives, scholarship funding, and event refreshments.

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