

SENATE BILL #2546

TITLE: Readjustment of Scope of Operations for the Associated Student
Technical Services

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SPONSORS: Senators Drake and Julian; Freshman Senator DeLany



1. WHEREAS, the Mission of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW)
2. Student Government is to serve our fellow students through professional interaction with
3. campus programs and organizations; and,
4. WHEREAS, the Associated Student Technical Services (ASTEC) is a valuable ASUW
5. Service for the students of the University of Wyoming (UW), especially Recognized Student
6. Organizations, for their diverse professional, cultural, and academic programming goals; and,
7. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government considers ASTEC a primary resource for
8. spreading the messages and ideas of UW students consistently, effectively,
9. and professionally by providing an educational and safe entertainment environment for all
10. students who attend StudioWyo and ASTEC-supported events; and,
11. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has declared support for direct student control
12. of ASTEC passed through Senate Bill #2432; and,
13. WHEREAS, Senate Resolution #2528 created a mission statement for ASTEC to “enhance
14. [students] feelings of engagement, belonging, and loyalty at UW”; and,
15. WHEREAS, ASTEC has attempted to scale their services according to resource limitations
16. by standardizing and refining operations, resulting in more requests for ASTEC services
17. from all sources; and,
18. WHEREAS, this has caused demands on ASTEC which have grown beyond their resources,
19. requiring increased financial needs, staffing, and equipment; and,

20. WHEREAS, the UW Budget Reduction Plan in Fiscal Year 2017 created problematic
21. constraints on ASTEC staffing to manage and operate all requested events; and,
22. WHEREAS, funding has been insufficient to maintain equipment inventory, provide fair
23. compensation to ASTEC student and professional staff, and support event logistics; and,
24. WHEREAS, certain peripheral facilities and departments have provided some of their own
25. personnel and equipment for operating technical services independently of ASTEC staff; and,
26. WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to facilitate the transition to the new scope of operations
27. as outlined in Addendum A by allowing departments that host events that are no longer
28. included in the scope of ASTEC's operations to receive training, rent technical equipment
29. through ASTEC, and/or request the establishment of a sempiternal event with ASTEC; and,
30. WHEREAS, ASTEC was developed and operates through the appropriation of student fees,
31. and the potential for adding additional resources or growth is minimal at this time; and,
32. WHEREAS, reducing the scope of ASTEC's services solely to student-based programming
33. is the most viable solution for stabilization unless additional institutional support is provided.
34. THEREFORE, be it enacted that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
35. (ASUW) Student Government reduce the scope of the Associated Student Technical Services
36. (ASTEC) to requirements and eligibility as outlined in Addendum A; and,
37. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that this bill shall go into effect at the beginning of Fiscal
38. Year 2018; and,
39. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that ASTEC shall operate under this scope until
40. reviewed by any relevant ASUW committee approved by the ASUW President and the
41. ASTEC Coordinator and legislation has been adopted to overturn these changes before the
42. end of Fiscal Year 2022.

Referred to: AT&S, PID

Date of Passage: 04/04/17 Signed: Tyler Wilgand
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 04/10/2017, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.” [Signature]
ASUW President

Addendum A

Eligibility and Requirements for the Associated Students Technical Services

The Associated Students Technical Services (ASTECS) shall provide free services to student-based programming on core campus. Student-based programming is any programming where one mission of the event is to benefit the students of the University of Wyoming. The majority audience should also be students from the University of Wyoming or the organizing party must be students. Registered Student Organizations hosting student based programming on peripheral campus and events held off-campus may use ASTEC at currently established rates. Departments that host student-based events may use ASTEC services at the currently established rates.

ASTECS's services will no longer be available to any university departments unless the event is student-based or unless the event has been selected as a sempiternal event by the ASTEC Ad-Hoc Committee at the end of Fiscal Year 2017. If that department has been approved to host sempiternal events, the event will still receive services until another provider is utilized. If a sempiternal event is not hosted in a calendar year, it will subject to review by the ASUW president, an appropriate ASUW committee, and ASTEC coordinators. The specifications and requirements for operating these events will be individually based off of the feedback provided through the application process. For reservations made prior to the passage of this legislation, events will be honored.

ASTECS will also be providing a new rental service for university departments. To qualify to use the rental service a department must have at least one member of their department, who will be

operating the equipment during the departmental event, pass a training session held by ASTEC.

There will be three tiers for equipment rentals, each with their own specific training. The first tier for equipment rentals will require the least amount of training and the highest number of equipment rental restrictions. The second tier will require increased training and provide a greater amount of equipment for use than tier one. The third tier will require a full day of training but allows the most options for available equipment rental. All University departments interested in renting equipment with at least one trained member of their department must sign a liability waiver for the equipment before the event and have said employee operate the equipment. The University department will be liable for any damages during the rental period. If damages occur, the department must complete an order for purchasing replacement equipment within 20 days of the event.

