Senate Bill

To: The Student Senate of the University of North Dakota

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Re: Authorization of McCannel Hall Fee Allocation for One-Stop Shop Proposal

Whereas, SB1213-45 regarded the “McCannel Hall Fee Allocation”, and

Whereas, SB1213-45 passed this body on April 14th, 2013, and

Whereas, SB1213-45 states in its whereas clauses that “McCannel Hall has the capability to continue services, add more services, and become more student friendly”, and

Whereas, SB1213-45 states in its whereas clauses that “currently, the space in McCannel Hall is not utilized as well as it could be to assist students”, and

Whereas, SB1213-45 states in its whereas clauses that, “because this fee is coming directly from students it can only be used for direct student benefit”, and

Whereas, Most UND students will need to seek assistance from a campus office, such as Student Financial Aid, Student Account Services, the Registrar’s Office, and Parking services, at some point during their collegiate experience, and

Whereas, these offices are currently located on the second floor of Twamley Hall, and

Whereas, students often complain that these offices are not well integrated with one another, extending the period of time it takes for their concern to be addressed, and

Whereas, this demonstrates that there are inefficiencies in the way that the University of North Dakota assists students, and

Whereas, inefficiencies in a system should be addressed whenever possible, and
Whereas, the "One-Stop Shop Plan" addresses these inefficiencies by integrating offices that are key to serving students, including Student Financial Aid, Student Account Services, the Registrar's Office, and Parking services, and

Whereas, the One-Stop Shop proposal benefits students by increasing the University Of North Dakota's ability to serve students in an efficient manner, all in a single visible, identifiable location on the main floor of the Memorial Union, and

Whereas, the total cost of the One-Stop Shop proposal is not to exceed $2,000,000, and

Whereas, the McCannell Hall Fee, which is already being levied, is able to cover much of the cost of the renovations required in the current One-Stop Shop proposal, and

Whereas, currently, monies raised from the McCannell Hall Fee can only be used for the McCannell Hall portions of the One-Stop Shop proposal, as UND Student Government has not given explicit authorization that these funds may be used on projects beyond the physical McCannell Hall structure, and

Whereas, by authorizing that the McCannell Hall Fee be allocated for the broader One-Stop Shop proposal, the entire renovation project, at a cost not to exceed $2,000,000, could be funded without any increase in student fees, and

Whereas, this use of the McCannell Hall Fee, which is being levied regardless of the outcome of this resolution, accomplishes the goal of improving the University of North Dakota's service to students, and

Therefore, be it moved that the University of North Dakota Student Senate agree to allow the monies raised from the McCannell Hall Fee to be used to fund the renovation costs associated with the One-Stop Shop proposal, including those beyond the physical McCannell Hall structure, provided that three conditions are met, and

Therefore, be it further moved that the first condition of this agreement is that no student fee be increased to fund the project described in the One-Stop Shop proposal, and

Therefore, be it further moved that the second condition of this agreement is that the University of North Dakota shall present an annual report on the usage of the McCannell Hall Fee, as well as on the success rate of services provided by the One-Stop Shop, to the University of North Dakota Student Senate, and

Therefore, be it further moved that the third condition of this agreement is that the University of North Dakota may not increase tuition at a rate larger than 3.72% of the previous year's tuition for the academic year of 2015, and

Therefore, be it further moved that if the University of North Dakota fails to meet any or all of this agreement's conditions prior to the start of the project described in the One-Stop Shop proposal, it does not have the approval of the University of North Dakota Student Government to allocate monies raised by McCannell Hall Fee for any purpose not expressly authorized in SB1213-45, which this body interprets to mean any renovation project beyond the physical McCannell Hall Structure, and

Therefore, be it further moved that if the University of North Dakota fails to fulfill any or all of this agreement's conditions at any time after the start of the project described in the One-Stop Shop proposal, and if monies from the McCannell Hall Fee have been or are being used to fund aspects of the proposal beyond the physical McCannell Hall Structure, the University of North Dakota Student
Body President shall submit a request to the North Dakota State Auditor to investigate the University of North Dakota for misuse of student fees, and

Therefore, be it further moved that any or all of the three conditions set forth in this agreement may be suspended by the University of North Dakota Student Government through a vote of the Student Senate, requiring a % majority of those present and voting, and the signed approval of the Student Body President.

Therefore, be it furthest moved that no more than $2,000,000 be allocated for the One Stop Shop renovation project.

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