Senate Bill

To: The Student Senate of the University of North Dakota
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Date: February 22nd, 2015
Re: Allocation to the Student Organization Funding Agency

2 Whereas, the Student Senate of the University of North Dakota supports student involvement on campus, and

4 Whereas, student organizations allow for education to take place outside of the classroom and promote civic participation, and

6 Whereas, the Student Organization Funding Agency (SOFA) provides funding that is relied on by many organizations for travel, events, and other expenses, and

8 Whereas, SOFA has used the amount allocated for its current fiscal year budget and expects to have more funding requests from organizations by the end of the academic year, and

10 Whereas, failure to allocate additional monies to SOFA will result in some student organizations being unable to fund travel, events, and other expenses that would otherwise contribute to the education of students outside of the classroom, and

12 Whereas, this body has an obligation to adequately fund its standing committees so that they may carry out their intended functions, and

Therefore, be it moved that the Student Senate of the University of North Dakota allocate $20,000 from the Student Government general fund, and if necessary from the Investments fund, to the Student Organization Funding Agency, and

18 Therefore, be it furthest moved that any remaining monies at the completion of the current fiscal year be returned to the Student Government Investments fund.

Student Body President, Tanner Franklin