

**Bill B-01-18**  
**The University of Alabama**  
**First Year Council 2018-2019**

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**A BILL TO MODIFY THE FIRST YEAR COUNCIL FUNDING APPROVAL PROCESS**

*Be it enacted by the First Year Council of the Student Government Association assembled:*

**Section 1. Findings:**

The purpose of this bill is to simplify the process of achieving funding for needs that might arise for First Year Council projects. Currently, according to Chapter 608.1.3 in the SGA Code of Laws, to receive funding for a project, “First Year Councilors [...] shall be required to submit a joint appropriations act to the First Year Council and the Senate for ratification.” This means that every project First Year Council wants to undertake that requires funding will have to pass through the Senate, regardless of if its requested amount, whether it be one dollar or 500 dollars. The intention of this bill is to alter this chapter within the Code of Laws in order to allow First Year Council projects with requested budgets of less than 300 dollars to no longer necessitate Senate approval in order to make the process more efficient. First Year Council projects that request more than 300 dollars will continue to have to be brought before the Senate for approval and passage.

**Section 2. Amendment:**

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Chapter 608.1.3 First Year Councilors who require access to SGA funds shall be required to submit a joint appropriations act to the First Year Council and the Senate for ratification **for requests that require more than 300 dollars. Any request that totals less than 300 dollars shall be subject to the discretion of the Vice President of Financial Affairs.**

**Section 3. Ratification:**

This bill will become law upon an affirmative vote by 2/3rds of both the SGA First Year Council and the SGA Senate.

**Section 4.**

Upon passage, a copy of this bill shall be sent to the SGA President, Price McGiffert; Executive Vice President, Lauren Forrest; Vice President of Financial Affairs, Clay Gaddis; SGA Advisor, Stephanie Shamblin; Director of Student Governance and Citizenship, Dr. Mary Lee Caldwell; *The Crimson White Media Group*