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52 Legislative Council Bill #6

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
STUDENT UNION**

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Bill History

UCSU does not have a comprehensive resource of information about referenda group policy. With recent concerns volleyed by the State Assembly, Colorado Commission on Higher Education and CU Board of Regents, it is most prudent at this time to compile an authoritative journal about referenda policy. This can be achieved rather easily through the provisions of this bill that will consolidate UCSU's referenda policy.

Bill Summary

This bill defines UCSU referenda policy. Student groups, Legislative Council and the Executives may all initiate referenda under the guidelines of the UCSU Constitution, UCSU By Laws, UCSU Election Code, Revised and Student Fee Regulations. Student Organizations Finance Office (SOFO) will be charged with primary administration of referenda group accounts. SOFO will authorize expenditures from referenda accounts after the appropriate students have signed the correct forms. SOFO will direct all questionable expenditures to the Legislative Council President who will interpret the referenda group's questionable expense and provide direction to both the group and SOFO. Legislative Council will retain final authority over all referenda groups under the provisions set forth in the UCSU Constitution.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

SECTION 1: UCSU will create an authoritative journal of all referenda guidelines, publish it, add it to the Election Code, Revised and make it available to all referenda groups.

SECTION 2: Student Organizations Finance Office (SOFO) is charged with primary administration of referenda group accounts.

SECTION 3: SOFO will authorize expenditures from referenda accounts after the appropriate students have signed the correct forms.

SECTION 4: The authorized signers of referenda group accounts must be full fee paying students.

SECTION 5: All advertisements in the media of newspapers, newsletters, handbills, posters, e-mail or other methods will include a disclaimer statement in a font no smaller than the smallest regular text in the message that will say: “This advertisement is funded by student referenda fees. The views expressed are this group’s own and do not necessarily represent the University of Colorado or the University of Colorado Student Union.

SECTION 6: Each group receiving referenda dollars will be assigned a UCSU Legislative Council member as liaison. The Legislative Council President will make these appointments and Legislative Council will ratify by a majority. They will be active for one semester. This liaison will meet with the referenda group at least once each semester to discuss UCSU referenda policy and other related issues. The UCSU Office will maintain a list of liaisons and their assigned referenda groups.

SECTION 7: Legislative Council will retain final fiscal authority over all referenda groups under the provisions set forth in the UCSU Constitution.

SECTION 8: This bill takes effect upon passage

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