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## SB-21F-3587

### *SB-21F-3587: Termination of the SKYS Executive Agency*

**Whereas:**

The Student Government of the University of North Florida was established to represent student concerns in all University wide matters, and;

**Whereas:**

The Student Government of the University of North Florida is dedicated to providing safe options for students; and;

**Whereas:**

SB-20F-3528: Constitutional Component for Forming the SKYS Executive Agency was created based on conversations with Students, and the Osprey Voice survey, to provide an escort service to different parts on campus throughout the night to promote the interest of safety; and;

**Whereas:**

This Agency was temporarily halted to ensure all processes and safety precautions were taken since this program was launched prematurely. Upon return to campus from the COVID-19 break, Student Government recognized it's out-of-compliance since this program did not the complete necessary trainings and steps as prompted by General Counsel and Environmental Health and Safety; and;

**Whereas:**

The previously completed trainings only included golf cart training and the required OPS employee training; and;

**Whereas:**

Additional research has provided that this agency is not a safe escort for students due to the immense amount of liability and lack of training originally required; and;

**Whereas:**

From conversations with General Counsel and Environmental Health and Safety, concerns have been expressed regarding the liability, sustainability, and safety of this program for our student drivers and students we serve; and;

**Whereas:**

This can be viewed as a fiscally irresponsible use of the allocated \$44,017 in Activity and Services fees since the University already offers a third-party escort service (Osprey Connectors) and University Police Department escort service; and;

**Whereas:**

University of North Florida training can still result in liability issues and major concerns with student drivers, despite receiving more in-depth mental health, crisis management, and emergency response trainings; and;

**Whereas:**



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General Counsel would be our means of legal defense in the event of any accidents; however, additional legal defense may need to be purchased depending upon the extent of the claim and the severity of the situation, which is an irresponsible use of our Activity and Service fees; and;



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***Whereas:***

Liability and coverage of claims, regardless of the extent of claim covered by state insurance, can be uncertain in scenarios such as intoxication, sexual assault, severity of any injury, etc. As we cannot foresee such situations, it is irresponsible and unfair to place students in high-risk and liability situations as such; and;

***Whereas:***

A purchase of a secondary policy can increase liability on Student Government; and;

***Whereas:***

As a Student Government funded program, all SKYS Agency liability falls upon Student Government; and;

***Whereas:***

As referenced in Title XI: The Executive Agency Statute 1101.8 Termination A. "The President shall have the authority to terminate any Agency subject to a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate"; and;

***Whereas:***

This bill shall serve as means to vote on the termination of the SKYS Executive Agency as President Besirevic has stated in EO-21F-002 for the SKYS Executive Agency to be terminated subject to a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate; and;

***Whereas:***

If the Agency remains enacted, the Student Body Vice President will see oversee the SKYS Executive Agency and ensure student safety is prioritized to the best of their ability, however, there is no guarantee that student drivers or students we serve would have complete safety due to unforeseeable scenarios that can occur.

***Therefore:***

The following necessary and proper revisions to the Student Government System of Statutes are being proposed in an effort to ensure future compliance with the law and the balance of our democratic system: The removal of Title XI: Chapter 1104: Students Keeping You Safe.



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### 1101.10 The Agencies

The following is a list of all Student Government Agencies and corresponding chapter numbers that appear in Title XI:

- A. Chapter 1102 – Osprey Involvement Center
- B. Chapter 1103 – Lend-A-Wing Pantry
- C. Chapter 1104 – Students Keeping You Safe

### *Chapter 1104: Students Keeping You Safe*

#### 1104.1 Creation and Purpose

- A. Creation: This Statute shall create an Agency of Student Government known as Students Keeping You Safe, also known as SKYS.
- B. Purpose: The SKYS Agency is dedicated towards promoting safety at the University of North Florida. This Agency is run by students who want to ensure that each student at the University of North Florida feels safe and comfortable on campus. SKYS offers rides and walking teams to escort students to different parts of campus throughout the night.

#### 1104.2 Internal Organization and Structure

- A. The design of SKYS shall be:
  - 1. Director
  - 2. Assistant Director
  - 3. Staff Members
- B. All members of SKYS will fulfill the roles of dispatching and escorting students on campus.

#### 1104.3 Powers and Duties of the SKYS Director

- A. Organize training for staff
  - 1. Training shall occur at the beginning of the semester.



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2. Training will be laid out in the Policies and Procedures.
- B. Oversee the SKYS Program operations and staff.
- C. Create and update the schedule.
- D. Keep record of all financial transactions the Agency is responsible for.
- E. Have regular meetings with the Student Body Vice President, Accounting Associate, and SKYS Staff.
- F. Submit a weekly report to the Student Body Vice President.
- G. Report to the Senate once a month.
- H. Follow all duties as outlined in the Policies and Procedures.

### 1104.4 Powers and Duties of the SKYS Assistant Director

- A. Regularly update the social media and inform students on the status and operations of SKYS.
- B. Plan tabling events to market the program.
- C. Aiding the Director in any task they might need assistance in.
- D. Fill in for the Director as needed.
- E. Maintain copies of bag logs, cart sheets, incident reports, and other forms.
- F. Follow all duties as outlined in the Policies and Procedures.

### 1104.5 Duties of the SKYS Pilots

- A. Follow instructions given by the Director and Assistant Director.
- B. Follow all duties as outlined in the Policies and Procedures.

### 1104.6 Standing Committees

- A. The SKYS Agency shall have the right to establish standing committees as its leadership deems necessary.



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**Furthermore:**

Let it be enacted that the following changes to Title XI: The Executive Agency Statute be made effective July 1, 2022.

***Legislative Action***

**Author:** Vice President John Grosso

**Sponsor:** Senator Bryson Lee

**Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Action:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Committee Action:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senate Action:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Action:** \_\_\_\_\_

Signed and Delivered to the Student Body President  
on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Joshua Murry, Student Senate President*

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***Executive Action***

Let it be known that **SB-21F-3587** is hereby

**APPROVED / VETOED / LINE-ITEM VETOED**

on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed, \_\_\_\_\_  
*Selma Besirevic, Student Body President*  
Signed and Delivered to the Senate Secretary

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