Legislative Review Committee (LRC) Report

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1. **SP23-R005 - Resolution in Support of Updating Blue Light Boxes**
    A. Constitutional.
    B. This resolution suggests replacing 280 Emergency Telephone Systems (ETS) with a camera. While the authors developed their case, LRC needs to know where the information they mention in the "Whereas" section comes from and how reliable it is. For example, the information about the number of ETS with and without cameras; a statement about "cameras provide police with a visual on the setting,.." have no citations. LRC wants to ensure all the information in the resolution is reliable; hence, consider citing whatever critical argument you develop.

    C. LRC needs more information that emphasises this case's importance and criticality. Although the resolution requires a massive budget for the action, the case's significance is unclear. Hence, LRC suggests adding data results such as the number of cases in which ETS systems helped victims survive, the frequency of using ETS systems by students, etc..

    D. The first clause states that the required camera system price is $140 000. The point of this resolution is to urge Purdue University to replace ETS with cameras. Hence, LRC thinks that the information about the price is unnecessary. Given the inflation, the cost of cameras the authors mention can change significantly in the following three semesters, if not the next ten semesters.

2. **SP23-R004 -Resolution in Support of Editable Gender–Inclusive Options Amongst Purdue Affiliated Websites**
    A. Constitutional.
    B. Several points seem repetitive where the authors developed their case. LRC suggests avoiding or minimising repetitiveness.
    C. The chair of the LRC suggests using "should" before the verbs in clauses to balance the collaborative tone of the suggested actions. However, LRC members generally think it is acceptable to use the verb without "should" as this tone is widely used.

D. It is not clear what the authors refer to by saying “Purdue” in the first clause. LRC suggests replacing the word Purdue with “The Purdue Graduate Student and PGSG ask Purdue university administration to offer students gender-inclusive options to edit, …”
E. In the fifth clause, it is unclear who the authors refer to by writing “there” in the sentence. “That in the future, **there** will be work towards getting all websites..” It would be clearer to have "... future Purdue University should work towards... "
F. The last clause: The current president of Purdue University is Mung Chiang.

3. **SP23-R003 - A Resolution to Update Purdue University Postings Policy (IV.B.2)**
   A. Constitutional.
   B. LRC is unsure about several statements made by authors and suggests adding citations to develop solid arguments for the case. Detailed comments are provided in the document. SP23-R003.docx

4. **SP23-R002- A Resolution to Create a Laptop Borrowing Program to Enhance Student Learning**
   A. Constitutional.
   B. In a third clause, the author suggests that University Senate establish a new committee. Creating a new committee is a long process, and it is less likely that University Senate would be willing to do so. To make the clause feasible, LRC suggests author make amendments and asks the Educational Policy Committee and/or Students Affair Committee of the University Senate to oversee the purchase of 1000 laptops for the student population.

5. **SP23-R001 - Resolution Concerning Parking of Automobile Requirements Kenspeckled for Incoming and New Graduate students (P.A.R.K.I.N.G)**
   A. Constitutional.
   B. LRC suggests adding clarification to the third “Whereas” statement, where authors argued about the disproportion of the number of parking spots for C-type parking permits and the number of students on campus.
   C. LRC needs two more clarifications in the clause section. Detailed comments are on the document. SP23-R001.docx

6. **SP23-B001 - Bill Establishing After-Hours Shuttle Bus Service**
   A. Unconstitutional by the PGSG Financial Code of Operations
   B. The constitutionality of this bill depends on the source of the funding requested-$14,456. The LRC can approve its constitutionality if the bill is funded following the Financial Code of Operations Section VI.B. with **explicit written** and **documented** email **consent** from the **PGSG Treasurer** and **President.** To do so, the author should receive an explicit

email consent as required by the Financial Code of Operations, VI-B3a., before the senate meeting on January 25, 2023.

C. In the second clause, LRC suggests the authors add a "Quote from Lafayette Limo attached in ‘Exhibit D’ " to clarify that the price list came from the company, not someone else.
D. LRC needs clarification on the conducted survey, particularly about the questions and contribution of the results to developing the case for the bill. Detailed comments are provided in the “Exibit A” section of the document.
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7. **FA22-B003 - Support Center for Advocacy, Response, and Education To Broaden Its Outreach Among Graduate Students**
   A. Unconstitutional by the PGSG Financial Code of Operations
   B. The constitutionality of this bill depends on the source of the funding requested-$1000. The LRC can approve its constitutionality if the bill is funded following the Financial Code of Operations Section VI.B. with **explicit written** and **documented** email **consent** from the **PGSG Treasurer** and **President.** To do so, the author should receive an explicit email consent as required by the Financial Code of Operations, VI-B3a., before the senate meeting on January 25, 2023.