



The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

S.B. 68-43

The Student Senate
68th Session
Texas A&M University

Introduced By: Nicholas Page, Academic Affairs Committee Chair, Engineering Caucus
Daniel Bosworth, Constituency Affairs Chair, Geosciences Caucus

Action Taken



By unanimous vote 2/10/16

Certified By:

Aaron Mitchell
Speaker of the Senate

Duly Approved:

Joseph Benigno
Student Body President

Open Access Labs Print Balance Rollover Bill

"A bill requesting that student's unused Open Access Labs (OAL) print allowance rollover indefinitely semester to semester."

- Whereas(1):** Students are allocated to their NetID/Howdy account a \$30.00 per semester balance to use while printing from (OAL) printers across campus; and
- Whereas(2):** Often students have an imbalance in courses which require a large amount of printed materials from one semester to another, potentially resulting in insufficient funds one semester and an abundance in another; and
- Whereas(3):** These allocations are being paid for by the students through their fees, and if they aren't used within the semester they are allocated, they are lost; and
- Whereas(4):** Many students cannot afford their own printer and the associated costs and instead must add money to their account to print mandatory notes or course assignments while having just lost funds the semester before due to the mentioned imbalance; and
- Whereas(5):** Students already have significant financial burdens upon them with ever-rising tuition, fees and cost-of-living prices, and it is unfair and unreasonable to strip from them an allotment that they have already paid for, especially one which is tied to such an academic necessity.



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Further Certified By:

Aaron Mitchell '16
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Therefore

Let it be

Enacted(1): That each semester, any unused portion of the \$30.00 OAL printing funds (or \$15.00 for a summer term) which are associated to every students NetID/Howdy account be added to their new allocation the following semester, indefinitely, as long as they remain a student at Texas A&M; and

Let it be

Further

Enacted(2): This legislation, upon passage, should be sent to the following administrators:

Scott Honea – Interim Associate Vice President for IT and CIO

Cheryl Cato – Chief Technology Officer

Pete Marchbanks, Jr. – Executive Director – Deputy Chief Information Officer