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Bill 28-23-S. Funding for vouchers for free teeth cleanings for WKU students through the WKU Dental Hygiene Clinic.

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate \$500 from the Legislative Scholarship budget to continue funding for free teeth cleaning vouchers.

WHEREAS: The Fall 2022 semester saw a 660% increase in the use of dental vouchers. The demand for the voucher program has significantly grown this semester, and therefore an increase in supply is required to continue giving students free dental cleanings, and

WHEREAS: Through the voucher program, dental hygiene students are able to fulfill their need of having 6+ patients to complete their classes, and

WHEREAS: With the voucher, students are able to receive an initial screening and a follow-up appointment for treatment. Treatment is specifically altered according to each patient and is fully included in the \$25 voucher. This can include cleanings, fluoride treatments, X-rays, sealants, specialty referrals, and more.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky

University will allocate a total of \$500 to continue the dental voucher program

that allows students access to free dental cleanings and supports the dental
hygiene program.

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