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The Meal Plan Price Control and Transparency Act

Whereas, the University of Houston, currently, requires many students who choose to live on campus to purchase meal plans;

Whereas, the University of Houston offers meal plans for commuter students;

Whereas, there is no, current, public, explanation of the pricing on meal plans, either through university review or published data;

Whereas, students deserve fair-priced meal plans and meal plans with rigorous justification for the prices offered.

Therefore, be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

That Campus Dining, of Auxiliary Services at the University of Houston, publish an annual meal plan utilization report each summer which details the following:

- (1) How student's preferences for certain meal plans changed from the previous year; and
- (2) The customer service reports of each campus eatery; and
- (3) The number of meal-swipes each student used, on average, in the previous year; and
- (4) If applicable, the number of guest-passes each student used, on average, in the previous year; and
- (5) If applicable, the number of meal exchanges each student used, on average, in the previous year; and
- (6) The average cost per-swipe students incurred the previous year.

Be it further enacted, that the average cost per-swipe not increase more than 3% annually;

Be it further enacted, that the average unweighted cost per-plan not increase more than 3% annually;

Be it further enacted, that the reported cumulative average number of meal-swipes, guest-passes, meal exchanges, and cost per-swipe each year (referenced in sections 3-6) be displayed for each individual meal plan;

Be it further enacted, that when reporting average cost per-swipe (referenced in section 4), the amount of Cougar Cash applied to the meal plan be deducted from the total cost of the meal plan;

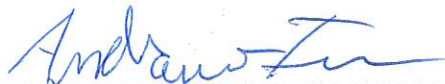
Be it further enacted, that should any of these price increases exceed 3% annually, this will be noted in the annual report, with justification;

Be it further enacted, that these annual meal plan utilization reports be reviewed with and presented to the relevant Auxiliary Services Administrators and the Food-Services Advisory Committee.



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APPROVED



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