

**Florida A&M University
Student Government Association
48th Student Senate
SAB19SP-027**

Author: Senator Simmons
Sponsor: Senator Antenor, Senator Gilbert & Senator McClinton
First Reading: February 11, 2019
Second Reading: February 18, 2019
Title: Hatchett Pre-Law Society
Legislation: Senate Appropriation Bill

Whereas, The Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Student Senate is the Legislative Branch of the Student Government Association and is empowered to pass legislation as it deems necessary to carry out the functions of the Student Government Association, and

Whereas, J.W. Hatchett Pre-Law Society (Hatchett) has had the mission to increase the number of Florida A&M students that matriculate to law school through professional development, networking opportunities, and test prep. Test prep for the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) is what they believe is the most essential to pursuing their mission. The average LSAT score for Florida A&M students is a 141, compared to a 152 national average, and with these scores FAMU students would be unable to attend the FAMU College of Law, which accepts scores of 147 and higher. This gap between our students, the national average, and our own College of Law is a direct result of our students not having the financial resources to properly prepare for the test and

Whereas, Hatchett lacks the funding required to provide and/or subsidize adequate LSAT Prep, Florida A&M students will continue to perform poorly on this very important test and Florida A&M will continue to become less and less attractive to law school recruiters, and

Whereas, This test prep would set a precedent for other entities on campus to help students with preparation for these high-stake tests. Hatchett can serve as a model for helping students prepare for the tests that can either make or break their futures, thus inspiring more entities around the university to do the same.

Therefore, **Be it Appropriated, seven thousand, five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to the J.W. Hatchett Pre-Law Society to assist our students in achieving academic excellence by succeeding on the LSAT exam and their future endeavors.**

Proviso Language: This piece of legislation will take effect upon signage by the Student Body President.

Special Allocation Bill Budget

General Expenses				
Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
Kaplan LSAT Prep Course		0	0	\$7,500.00
Total General Expenses				\$7,500.00
Activities and Programs				
Event 1				
Description of Activity:				
Estimated Cost of Activity				
Item		Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
Total Activities and Programming				\$0.00
A&S Travel Request				
Travel 1				
Description and Purpose for Travel:				
	# of People, Rooms, or Tickets	Days/Nights	Unit Cost	Total Item Cost
Registration				\$0.00
Hotel				\$0.00
Transportation				\$0.00
Travel Total				\$0.00
Total Allocation				\$7,500

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For:

Opposed:

Abstain:

Pass:

Fail:

Student Senate President *Jaelen A. Jackson* **Date:** 2/27/2019
Jaelen A. Jackson (Feb 27, 2019)

Student Body President *David H. Jackson III* **Date:** 2/27/19
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