

Draft referendum

Title: Student Legal Services Fee

Reason for: As the current Legal Information Center on campus is unable to provide legal services other than resources, this fee will be able to provide students with direct access to a legal professional that can answer questions.

Referendum language: Shall students of WWU be charged \$0.25 per quarter (fall-spring) for legal services that will be free to students? Services will primarily consist of short-term consultation(s) and not on-going or in-court representation. This fee will not extent to any outside costs of the office. Legal services provided by this fee cannot involve disputes or conflicts pertaining to WWU. Legal series will be made available on an appointment basis and housed in the AS Legal Information Center. The fee will go into effect beginning Fall 2017, and the attorney(s) and or/legal group utilized for these services will be selected by a committee designated by the AS.

Legal advice from a qualified attorney on topics may include, but are not limited to, landlord-tenant disputes, traffic infractions, credit/debtor issues, matters involving employment, disability, veteran benefits, name changes, and others.