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SENATE BILL SB-31-6

BOARD BILL 1.02

31st & 32nd Sessions
2024-2025 & 2025-2026 Academic Years

Passed by the Board [Month
Day, 2025] YEAS 5 NAYS 0

Approved

CERTIFICATE

Nandana Jaideep
President, Board of Directors

Passed by the Senate November
18th, 2025. YEAS 48 NAYS 0.



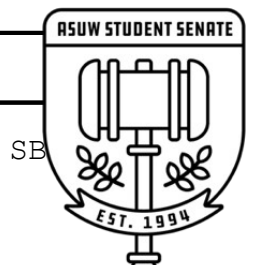
Erick Jacobsen
Speaker, Student Senate

I, Erick Jacobsen, Speaker of
the Senate of the Associated
Students of the University of
Washington, do hereby certify
that the attached is **SENATE**
BILL SB-31-6 as passed by the
Senate on the date set forth.



Erick Jacobsen
Speaker, Student Senate

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An Act to Address Adequate and Affordable Housing for
Students and Establish Shared Campus Planning Meetings

Under Consideration - 2024-2025 Academic Year

A.S.U.W.

Spring Quarter 2024

31st Session

Sponsored by Dylan Bianchi, *31st Session Vice Chair and 32nd Session Chair of the Committee on Academic and Administrative Affairs.*
Formerly sponsored by Francisco Dojenja, *31st Session Signature Senator.*

Referred to Committee on Off-Campus Affairs. Read on the floor
10/14/2025.

SUMMARY

Rising housing prices in the U-District is making affordability for UW students extremely difficult. Allowing students greater opportunities to voice their perspective on developmental planning ensures a focus on affordable housing in the U-District and campus. This legislation is designed to ensure that the ASUW promotes open student seats to U District Partnerships and to the UW City University Community Advisory Committee.

- 1 **WHEREAS** the short title of this legislation shall be the
2 "Student Housing and Planning Act;" and
- 3 **WHEREAS** the rising costs of housing for students requires
4 organized efforts with our community and campus partners to
5 adequately address this issue; and
- 6 **WHEREAS** the U District Partnerships (UDP) is a non-profit
7 organization, partially funded by the U District Business
8 Improvement Area (UDBIA), of stakeholders in the neighborhood
9 that develop programming and services to support the community
10 [\[1\]](#); and
- 11 **WHEREAS** the UDBIA is a self-assessing funding mechanism enabled
12 by Washington State Law and created to fund commercial
13 development in the neighborhood and is overseen by the Ratepayer
14 Advisory Board [\[2\]](#); and
- 15 **WHEREAS** the UDPs Board of Directors, which oversees the work
16 plan of UDP staff and address issues arising in the

17 neighborhood, has designated seats for the UW but not
18 necessarily for ASUW or Graduate Professional Student Senate
19 | (GPSS) [\[3\]](#); and

20 | **WHEREAS** the UW and UW students through ASUW and the ~~(GPSS)~~ has
21 seats on the Ratepayer Advisory Board which recommends to the
22 UDP's Director of Finance on the annual work plan and budget for
23 the UDBIA [\[4\]](#); and

24 **WHEREAS** Seattle and UW, under the Office of Regional and
25 Community Relations, established the City University Community
26 | Advisory Committee (CUCAC), ~~where~~ 2 of its 16 positions are
27 already reserved for ASUW and GPSS, which advises the City and
28 the University on the development of the greater University area
29 and hears comments from the community [\[5\]](#) [\[6\]](#) [\[7\]](#); and

30 **WHEREAS** CUCAC is also responsible for the UW Master Plan, last
31 adopted in 2019, which "determines how the Seattle campus can
32 grow over the next decade or more to accommodate increases in
33 student enrollment, changes in how classrooms and labs work best
34 for learning and teaching, and efforts to add new open spaces"
35 [\[8\]](#) [\[9\]](#) [\[10\]](#); and

36 **WHEREAS** the ASUW formerly operated the Office of Student Housing
37 Affairs, later Off-Campus Housing Affairs, until 2014 as the
38 prevalence of other student housing services no longer required
39 their operation [\[11\]](#) [\[12\]](#) [\[13\]](#); and

40 **WHEREAS** ASUW Tacoma held a Campus Planning Meeting to gather
41 student input on the development of their campus [\[14\]](#); and

42 **THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE**
43 **UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:**

44 **THAT** the Board of Directors amend the ASUW Bylaws Article IV,
45 Section 12, Clause N to read:

- 46 *N. Appoint at-large student representatives to the*
47 *following committees through the Open Selection Process;*
48 *7. U District Partnerships Board of Directors;*
49 *8. U District Partnerships Ratepayers Advisory Board;*
50 *9. City University Community Advisory Committee.*

51 [\[15\]](#); and

52 **THAT** hiring for these positions is conducted by the Director of
53 Campus Partnerships,

54 **THAT** these representatives report to the President and Deputy
55 Director of Legislative Affairs on the proceedings of the UDP
56 and CUCAC, and follow guidance from the President and Deputy
57 Director of Legislative Affairs; and

58 **THAT** the ASUW hosts a Housing Forum in the spring quarter of the
59 2025-2026 academic year to share progress from the
60 representatives to the UDP and CUCAC and give students a chance
61 to share their experiences and voice concerns; and

62 **THAT** Housing Forums shall be hosted by the Office of Government
63 Relations and involve U District Partnerships, UW programs/RSOs
64 focused on housing and urban development, and UW students- they
65 will discuss how more students can have a say in local
66 development; the meeting would also allow students and the
67 public to hear about future development of the U-District and
68 campus; and

69 **THAT** if the Forum in Spring 2026 is a success, the President and
70 Office of Government Relations consider making it an annual
71 event; and

72 **THAT** the ASUW offices and positions mentioned in this
73 legislation shall be forwarded and have it in their transition
74 documents; and

75 **THAT** a copy of this legislation be forwarded to the following
76 parties or organizations:

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