



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE
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Submitted by Sonal Virk, ASUW Vice President

BOARD BILL 3.18: An Act to Allocate \$15,000 for the Renewal of the New York Times Games Group Subscription

WHEREAS: The Associated Students of the University of Washington (ASUW) is committed to supporting student wellness, engagement, and access to enriching recreational and intellectual resources; and,

WHEREAS: ASUW currently maintains a group subscription with The New York Times Company that provides students with unlimited access to the New York Times Games platform; and,

WHEREAS: This new subscription allows up to 8,000 authorized users to access games such as Wordle, Connections, Spelling Bee, and Crosswords through a code-based authentication system tied to their ASUW affiliation; and,

WHEREAS: The annual subscription fee for this service is \$15,000 and is set to start on April 6, 2026, for an additional one-year term of 52 weeks unless a 60-day notice is provided by either party; and,

WHEREAS: Continued access to these resources contributes to student engagement, mental stimulation, and community-building across the University of Washington campus.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

THAT: The ASUW Board of Directors allocate \$15,000 from the General Fund to support the renewal of the New York Times Games Group Subscription for a one-year term; and,

THAT: This subscription will provide access to up to 8,000 authorized users through a single code, multiple redeem format, allowing access from any location during the subscription period.

THAT: A copy of this bill be forwarded to Marshall Traverse, SAO Advisor; Nandana Jaideep, ASUW President; Khushi Loomba, Finance and Budget Director; Trevor Hunt, Associate Director of HUB Finance & Business Operations; and Brendan Chang, Student Activities Advisor.

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