

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6174

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring annual budget review, recommendations, and guidelines for the higher education system.

Sponsors: Senators Bauer and Kohl; by request of Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Senate Committee on Higher Education

House Committee on Higher Education

Background: The Higher Education Coordinating Board must review, evaluate, and make recommendations on operating and capital budget requests from four-year institutions and community colleges. The recommendations must be made by October 15 of each even-numbered year. Currently, the board does not have the authority to review supplemental budget requests.

Summary: Financial disclosures by degree-granting private vocational schools are not subject to state public disclosure laws.

Institutions of higher education in Washington may waive all or part of tuition and fees for eligible state employees. Eligible state employees are people permanently employed half-time or more (1) in classified service under the state service law, (2) through the Public Employees' Collective Bargaining Act, or (3) in technical colleges as classified employees and exempt paraprofessionals. Eligible state employees also include nonacademic employees and members of the faculties and instructional staffs employed half-time or more at public colleges and universities.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	47	0	
House	96	0	(House amended)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)
House	95	0	(House amended)
House	98	0	(House reconsidered)
Senate	49	0	(Senate concurred)

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