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Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Shin and Jacobsen; by request of Governor Locke)

Brief Title: Changing higher education tuition provisions.

SB 5592-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to establish a permanent tuition policy for the state's public higher education system. This policy should maintain affordable tuition levels and predictable tuition rates so students and their families can plan and pay for access to public higher education.

Provides that the policy should also extend limited tuition setting authority to institutions of higher education and the state board for community and technical colleges so they can respond to individual priority needs not addressed by the legislature.

Declares a further intent that tuition revenue be used by each entity to support the state goal of improving student access to quality learning opportunities.