

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1470

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Early Learning & K-12 Education, February 16, 2012

Title: An act relating to access to K-12 campuses for occupational or educational information.

Brief Description: Regarding access to K-12 campuses for occupational or educational information.

Sponsors: House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representative Bailey).

Brief History: Passed House: 2/25/11, 96-2; 1/16/12, 89-2.

Committee Activity: Early Learning & K-12 Education: 3/17/11, 3/21/11 [DP, DNP];
2/16/12 [DP, DNP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EARLY LEARNING & K-12 EDUCATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Rolfes, Vice Chair; Litzow, Ranking Minority Member; Fain, Harper, Hill, King and Tom.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senator Nelson.

Staff: Susan Mielke (786-7422)

Background: State law provides that if a school board provides access to the campus and student information directory to people or groups that make students aware of occupational or educational options, then the board must provide the same access to military recruiters for the purpose of informing students of educational and career opportunities in the military.

Under the federal No Child Left Behind Act, school districts that receive federal funds must provide military recruiters the same access to secondary school students that is provided to post-secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers.

Summary of Bill: In the event that a school district provides access to post-secondary occupational or educational representatives, access also must be provided to recruiters from the Job Corps, Peace Corps, and AmeriCorps. The access provided to military recruiters and those from the Job Corps, Peace Corps, and AmeriCorps must be equal to and no less than access provided to other post-secondary occupational or educational representatives. The

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word access is defined to include, but not be limited to, the number of days provided and the type of presentation space.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: It is important for students to receive a variety of information about different opportunities open to them after they graduate from high school. This bill ensures that the Job Corps, Peace Corps, and AmeriCorps will be able to share their information with students. Additionally, the bill requires equal number of days and type of space for all those providing information on school campuses, including the military.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Representative Bailey, prime sponsor.