

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2250

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Higher Education, February 15, 1996

Title: An act relating to duties of the higher education coordinating board.

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

Sponsors: Representatives Carlson, Mastin, Mulliken, Sheahan, Jacobsen, Mason, Blanton, Goldsmith and Scheuerman; by request of Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Higher Education: 2/15/96 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Bauer, Chair; Kohl, Vice Chair; Hale, McAuliffe, Prince, Wood and Zarelli.

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Background: The Higher Education Coordinating Board must review, evaluate, and make recommendations on operating and capital budget requests from four-year institutions and the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. Those 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 of Bill: The Higher Education Coordinating Board reviews the supplemental budget requests of four-year institutions and the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. The board submits recommendations on the supplemental budget requests to the Office of Financial Management by November 1 of each even-numbered year. The board also submits recommendations to the Legislature.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

Testimony For: As supplemental budgets become more important, it is also important to review those budgets. This is the appropriate role of the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: PRO: Susan Patrick, Higher Education Coordinating Board; Martha Lindley, Central Washington University.