

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5838

As of February 9, 1995

Title: An act relating to commercial activities by institutions of higher education.

Brief Description: Prohibiting the resale and distribution of goods or services obtained by students free or under special terms of a contract.

Sponsors: Senators Bauer, Hochstatter, Wood and Winsley.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Higher Education: 2/16/95.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Staff: Jean Six (786-7423)

Background: In 1987, legislation was enacted relating to commercial activities of institutions of higher education. The act requires institutions of higher education, in consultation with businesses, to define legitimate purposes under which institutions will provide goods and services that are available from private businesses. The act outlines a list of criteria that should be considered in developing policies and a list of institutional activities that are exempt from the provisions of the act. (Commercial Activities by Institutions of Higher Education)

Summary of Bill: Food services is eliminated from the list of exemptions. A new provision requires the institutions to adopt policies prohibiting the resale and distribution of goods and services obtained by students free or by contract.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested.

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