

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## HB 2147

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**Brief Description:** Exempting institutions of higher education from certain expenditure requirements.

By Representatives Carlson, Talcott, Wood, Chandler, Forner, Van Luven, Sehlin, Schoesler, B. Thomas and Cooke.

House Committee on Higher Education  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Senate Committee on Higher Education  
Senate Committee on Ways & Means

**Background:** Under current law, any state general fund money that is unexpended at the end of a biennium must be returned to the general fund. In addition, by law, state agencies are required to create spending plans designed to use state and non-state money in a way that conserves the state money.

Some college administrators have suggested that colleges and universities can operate more efficiently if they are allowed to save money appropriated during a biennium and spend it during the next biennium.

**Summary:** The requirement that agencies spend appropriated and non-appropriated money in a way that conserves the appropriated money does not apply to state institutions of higher education.

### **Votes on Final Passage:**

House	96	0
Senate	46	0

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