

**SENATE BILL REPORT**

**SB 6498**

**AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 4, 1994**

**Brief Description:** Creating the community and technical college capital account.

**SPONSORS:** Senators Erwin, Bauer, Prince, Quigley, West, Winsley and McAuliffe

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Bauer, Chairman; Drew, Vice Chairman; Cantu, Prince, Quigley, Sheldon and West.

**Staff:** Jean Six (786-7423)

**Hearing Dates:** February 4, 1994

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently the community and technical colleges have criteria for which points are awarded by the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) as requests for capital projects are prioritized in the system. Among those things considered are the type of space such as classroom or maintenance facility, the priority of the governing boards, and other college needs.

**SUMMARY:**

A new factor would be added to the current criteria. Community and technical colleges are encouraged to raise money from private sources for capital projects. The state will provide matching funds. The community and technical college capital account is created for the appropriated matching funds. The existence of private funds will give the college additional points in the priority process.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** no

**Fiscal Note:** available

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

The community and technical colleges should be able to use private funds for capital projects.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Senator Erwin, prime sponsor (pro)

