

COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Representative Don Carlson, Chair

BILL ANALYSIS
HB 1811

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Allowing institutions of higher education to contract for goods and services.

BACKGROUND: By law, institutions of higher education and related boards are permitted to contract with individuals or businesses for services if the services were regularly purchased by contract before April 23, 1979. Institutions of higher education and related boards are prohibited from contracting with persons or businesses for services if the contracts will result in the termination of either classified employees or classified positions. Under this law, institutions of higher education include the public baccalaureate institutions and the community and technical colleges. Related boards include the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges and other boards, councils, and commissions related to higher education.

SUMMARY: Public colleges and universities, related boards, and the Joint Center for Higher Education may contract with individuals or businesses for goods and services if the contracts do not result in the termination of state-funded permanent employees who are employed by the institutions, boards, or center on the date that this law takes effect.