

**COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION**  
*Representative Don Carlson, Chair*

**BILL ANALYSIS**  
**HB 2481**

*Requiring approval of certain higher education personnel arrangements  
that exceed fifty thousand dollars in value.*

**BACKGROUND:** Governing boards have full control of their institution, including the authority to employ the president, his assistant, members of the faculty and employees of the institution. Additionally, the board determines conditions of employment and termination. In carrying out those duties, the board may enter into contracts that are appropriate for their institutions.

**SUMMARY:** The Higher Education Coordinating Board is given the responsibility of approving higher education employees' professional leave agreements, severance packages, and contract settlements that exceed fifty thousand dollars.

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