

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6632

As of January 30, 2004

Title: An act relating to part-time faculty of community and technical colleges.

Brief Description: Providing for a review and update of the best practices audit of compensation and employment for part-time faculty in technical and community colleges.

Sponsors: Senators Kohl-Welles, Carlson, B. Sheldon, Schmidt, Shin, Jacobsen, Winsley and McAuliffe.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Higher Education: 2/3/04.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Staff: Heather Lewis-Lechner (786-7448)

Background: The 1996 Legislature passed SB 6583 directing the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) to convene a task force to conduct a best practices audit of compensation packages and conditions of employment for part-time faculty. The Best Practices Task Force reported to the Legislature in January 1997. The best practice principles in the report were required to be used in the development of SBCTC's 1997-99 biennial operating budget request. SBCTC was required to encourage, and to the extent possible, require each local governing board to adopt and implement the best practices principles.

The task force was required to include, at a minimum, part-time faculty, full-time faculty, members of the SBCTC and members of the community college and technical college governing boards.

Summary of Bill: The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) must review and update the best practices audit of compensation packages and conditions of employment for part-time faculty. Community college administrators are added to the list of members of the task force. A report of the findings is made to SBCTC by August 30, 2004.

SBCTC must use the best practices principles in the development of each biennial operating budget request. SBCTC must encourage, and to the extent possible, require local governing boards to revise the best practices principles.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 30, 2004.

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