

HB 2483-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Creates the student achievement council to provide the focus and propose the goals for increasing educational attainment including improving student transitions from secondary to postsecondary education and training and between and among postsecondary institutions.

Creates a joint higher education committee to: (1) Review the work of the student achievement council and provide legislative feedback;

(2) Engage with the student achievement council and the higher education community to create greater communication, coordination, and alignment between the higher education system and the expectations of the legislature; and

(3) Provide recommendations for higher education policy.

Requires the education data center to: (1) In consultation with institutions of higher education, develop information on the approximate amount of state support that students receive; and

(2) Determine and report on amounts constituting undergraduate and graduate educational costs.

Directs that the office of student financial assistance is within the student achievement council and under the direction of the council.

Transfers powers, duties, and functions of the higher education coordinating board to the student achievement council.

VETO MESSAGE ON E2SHB 2483

March 30, 2012

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,
The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 570, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2483 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to higher education coordination."

The Legislature has passed two bills this session amending RCW 28B.117.020. To prevent a conflicting double amendment, I am vetoing Section 570 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2483. This section would correct a reference to the Higher Education Coordinating Board in RCW 28B.117.020. Substitute House Bill 2254 eliminates the reference and obviates the need for correction.

For this reason I have vetoed Section 570 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2483.

With the exception of Section 570, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2483 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Gregoire
Governor