



S.F. No. 2483 – Certain higher education provisions modifications

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Article 1: Appropriations

Section 1 provides instructions for the appropriations in Article 1.

Section 2 outlines the Office of Higher Education appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

Section 3 outlines the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

Section 4 outlines the University of Minnesota appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

Section 5 outlines the Mayo Clinic appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

Article 2: Higher Education Provisions

Section 1 makes adjustments to the Hunger-Free Campus program.

Section 2 adds statutory language allowing the Office of Higher Education to (a) retain up to ten percent of competitively awarded grants for administrative costs and (b) carry forward unexpended and unencumbered nongrant operating appropriations from the second year of the biennium into the next biennium.

Section 3 modifies the way assigned family responsibility is treated for the purposes of state financial aid. Assigned financial responsibility is value generated by the federal Free Application for Financial Student Aid (FAFSA).

Section 4 modifies the requirements for postsecondary institutions to be eligible to receive state financial aid.

Section 5 changes the effective date of section 136A.121.

Section 6 modifies the way cost of attendance is calculated for the purposes of the State Grant Program.

Section 7 changes the way the Office of Higher Education rations financial aid under the State Grant Program in the event that the legislature does not appropriate sufficient funds to provide full awards to applicants.

Section 8 changes the deadline for financial aid applications.

Section 9 caps the cost of attendance for the purposes of the North Star Program at the eligible resident tuition rate, rather than the actual tuition rate charged to a student.

Section 10 requires Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, and requests the University of Minnesota, to charge resident tuition rates to students eligible for the North Star Promise grant program.

Sections 11 to 13 make technical changes.

Section 14 removes statutory maximum and minimum student loan amounts and requires the Office of Higher Education to determine maximum and minimum amounts annually.

Section 15 permits Tribally controlled colleges to receive supplemental grant assistance for full student enrollment. Current language authorizes supplemental grant assistance based on students that are not enrolled members of a federally recognized Indian Tribe.

Section 16 increases the processing fees for approval of in-state tuition reciprocity agreements by the Office of Higher Education.

Section 17 increases the fees, and modifies the fee structure charged by the Office of Higher Education for registering postsecondary institutions. A fee structure based on the degree type awarded will be replaced by fees based on the full-time equivalent student enrollment of the institution.

Sections 18 through 35 modify the statutes governing the Office of Higher Education's licensure of private career schools.

Section 36 provides technical instructions to the Revisor of Statutes.

Section 37 repeals certain laws related to the changes made in section 18 through 35.



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