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## DIGEST

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HB No. 508

**Abstract:** Authorizes institutions of higher education or their management boards to invest in stocks up to 65% of funds received from gifts and grants, funds functioning as endowments, or other permanent funds.

Present constitution generally prohibits the investment of state or local funds in stocks with certain specific exceptions.

Proposed constitutional amendment authorizes higher education institutions or their respective management boards to invest in stocks a portion of certain funds derived from gifts and grants, funds functioning as endowments, or other permanent funds, provided that the amount to be invested in stocks may not exceed 65% of the aggregate of all such funds.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election on November 5, 2002.

(Amends Const. Art. VII, §14(B))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the original bill.

1. Limits stock investment of higher education institution or board funds to 65% of the aggregate of such funds available for investment.