HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to Original House Bill No. 560 by Representative Carmody

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "17:3139(E)," delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 through 7 and insert the following:

"relative to audits of public postsecondary education institutions by the legislative auditor; to require audits of information submitted by such institutions to the Board of Regents as indication of achievement of performance objectives; to provide relative to the timing and costs of"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

Delete page 2 and insert the following:

"The legislative auditor, in cooperation and coordination with the Board of Regents, shall annually audit data submitted or to be submitted by institutions to the Board of Regents as indicators of meeting performance objective targets established by or pursuant to this Section to ensure that the data is reliable. The auditor shall complete all audits pursuant to this Subsection and report his findings to the Board of Regents and to the legislature prior to the board's annual vote on whether an institution will be able to exercise tuition authority and operational autonomies pursuant to this Section. Each institution shall provide to the legislative auditor all of the information that the auditor requests to conduct audits pursuant to this Subsection. The legislative auditor shall charge the actual costs of such audits to the institution being audited; however, no institution shall be charged more than seven thousand dollars for such audits in any single fiscal year. No provision of this Subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of the auditor under any other provision of law. The legislative auditor shall, to the extent that he determines feasible and in the best interests of the state, take steps to minimize disruption of normal operations at the institutions such as conducting such audits in conjunction with the institution's financial audit.

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CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.