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Sponsor(s): Senators Anderson, Kohl, Winsley, Bauer, Hale, Wood, McAuliffe, Goings, Spanel and Patterson; by request of State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

Brief Title: Adopting recommendations of the state board for community and technical colleges regarding the 1991 merger of community and technical colleges.

## SB 5503 - DIGEST

## (DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that technical colleges shall offer only nonbaccalaureate technical degrees under the rules of the state board for community and technical colleges that are appropriate to their work force education and training mission.

Declares that the primary purpose of this degree is to lead the individual directly to employment in a specific occupation.

Prohibits technical colleges from offering transfer degrees.

Provides that technical colleges may, under the rules of the state board for community and technical colleges, offer all specific support courses that may be at a transfer level that are required of all students to earn a particular certificate or degree.

Declares that this shall not be interpreted to mean that their mission may be expanded to include transfer preparation, nor does it preclude technical colleges from voluntarily and cooperatively using available community college courses as components of technical college programs.