

**SB 6101-S2 - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes the evergreen free college act.

Creates the evergreen free college program to help make four years of college affordable and accessible to the citizens of the state by offering a tuition waiver for eligible students.

Requires the office of student financial assistance to administer the program for resident students seeking a bachelor's degree, an associate degree, or certificate from an institution of higher education under certain terms and conditions.

Requires the student achievement council to develop a plan to provide program students, who are enrolled at an institution of higher education, with a student success course that is one quarter long or the equivalent in semester hours, that teaches essential skills for college success.

Requires the state institute for public policy to conduct a study on the effectiveness of the program.

Requires the caseload forecast council to estimate the anticipated caseload of the program.