FINAL BILL REPORT SHB 1001

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Exempting institutions of higher education from certain expenditure requirements.

Sponsors: House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Carlson, Sommers, Brumsickle, Jacobsen, Foreman, Silver, Schoesler, Kessler, Blanton, Morris, Dyer, Lisk, Van Luven, Ballasiotes, Reams, Horn, Sehlin, Chandler, Cooke, L. Thomas, B. Thomas, Scott, Tokuda, Benton, Costa, Delvin, Mason, Thompson, Beeksma, Brown, Backlund, Pennington, Mastin, Mitchell, Cole, Quall, Basich, Smith, Mulliken, Huff, Talcott and Chopp).

House Committee on Higher Education Senate Committee on Higher Education

Background: Under current law, any state general fund money that is unexpended at the end of a biennium must be returned to the general fund. In addition, by law, state agencies are required to create spending plans designed to use state and non-state money in a way that conserves the state money.

Some college administrators have suggested that colleges and universities can operate more efficiently if they are allowed to save money raised during a biennium and spend it during the next biennium.

Summary: The requirement that agencies spend appropriated and non-appropriated money in a way that conserves the appropriated money does not apply to state institutions of higher education.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	93	0
Senate	44	1

Effective: April 12, 1995