COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION Representative Don Carlson, Chair

BILL ANALYSIS HB 1108

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Authorizing the Higher Education Coordinating Board to transfer moneys between the State Work Study Program and the State Need Grant Program.

BACKGROUND: For at least the last few biennial budgets, the legislature has adopted specific budget provisos for the State Need Grant and State Work Study Programs. The provisos directed the Higher Education Coordinating Board to spend moneys appropriated for each program in each program. However, in the 1991-93 and 1993-95 budgets, the legislature included language that authorized the transfer of funds from the State Need Grant to the State Work Study programs at the end of each year.

SUMMARY: The Higher Education Coordinating Board will make every effort to spend money appropriated to the State Need Grant Program and the State Work Study Program within the program specified. Each year, between January 15th and April [↑] the board will determine whether the funds appropriated to each program can be expended by the end of the fiscal year. If the board determines that funds in one of the two programs cannot be expended before the end of the fiscal year, the board may transfer up to one percent of the combined appropriations for the programs into either program.

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