

**COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION**  
*Representative Don Carlson, Chair*

**BILL ANALYSIS**  
**HB 2534**

*Waiving operating fees for students registered for a doctor of pharmacy.*

**BACKGROUND:** Governing boards at the state institutions of higher education charge and collect tuition from students registering at the institution for any quarter or semester. Full-time students registered for more than eighteen credit hours are charged an additional operating fee for each credit hour over eighteen. Institutions may exempt all, or a portion of the additional operating fee for students who are registered in a first professional program for medicine, dental medicine, veterinary medicine, law or those registered exclusively in required courses in vocational preparatory programs.

**SUMMARY:** Institutions also may exempt the additional operating fee for doctor of pharmacy student enrolled for more than eighteen credit hours.

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