FINAL BILL REPORT SSB 5166

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Allowing state financial aid to be used at Washington branch campuses of accredited out-of-state institutions of higher education.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Carlson, Horn, Shin, Jacobsen and McAuliffe).

Senate Committee on Higher Education Senate Committee on Ways & Means House Committee on Higher Education House Committee on Appropriations

Background: Currently, students who attend a branch campus located in Washington of a postsecondary institution accredited in another state are not eligible for state financial aid.

Summary: Students eligible for federal financial aid who attend on-site instruction at a Washington branch campus of a higher education institution accredited in another state may be eligible for state financial aid if the branch campus has been operating in Washington for a minimum of 20 years and has an enrollment of at least 700 FTE.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 0

House 94 0 (House amended) Senate 40 1 (Senate concurred)

Effective: June 13, 2002

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