

**HB 2613 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Requires four-year institutions of higher education that increase tuition beyond levels assumed in the omnibus appropriations act after January 1, 2011, to report to the governor and relevant committees of the legislature by December 31st every year on the effectiveness of the various sources and methods of financial aid in mitigating tuition increases.

Authorizes an institution of higher education to pay its employees for services rendered biweekly.

Provides how "institutional quality" must be measured regarding the joint legislative audit and review committee's systemic performance audit of the tuition-setting authority granted to the governing boards of the state universities, regional universities, and The Evergreen State College.

Exempts from predesign review, projects at institutions of higher education, which may be valued up to ten million dollars.

Requires the state universities, the regional universities, and The Evergreen State College, when negotiating an institutional performance plan with the office of financial management to include negotiated targets for the purpose of determining performance incentive funding.