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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4409**

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**State of Washington**

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**2002 Regular Session**

**By** House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Alexander, Murray, Kenney, Cox, O'Brien, Schmidt, Hankins, McIntire, Edwards and Esser)

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1       WHEREAS, The Higher Education Coordinating Board is charged with  
2 the duty of preparing a comprehensive master plan for higher education  
3 in this state; and

4       WHEREAS, The state master plan for higher education sets a goal to  
5 increase enrollment in postsecondary education through 2010 to meet  
6 increased demand; over 50,000 new full-time equivalent students are  
7 expected to enter the public system by 2010; and

8       WHEREAS, The Governor's 2020 Commission on the Future of  
9 Postsecondary Education recommended increasing the higher education  
10 enrollment goal to better respond to the growing demands of a  
11 knowledge-based economy and challenged the state to find creative  
12 solutions to serve the growing number of people without building new  
13 college campuses; and

14       WHEREAS, The legislature has a responsibility to preserve and  
15 maintain the existing investment in higher education capital assets  
16 while balancing the need for new facilities to meet the growing student  
17 enrollment levels; and

18       WHEREAS, The legislature must evaluate the policy, financial, and  
19 facility implications of the higher enrollment goals for higher  
20 education;

1       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of  
2 the state of Washington, the Senate concurring, That a joint select  
3 committee on the future facility needs of higher education be  
4 established to review the proposed higher education enrollment levels  
5 in the state master plan, review the facility needs for future  
6 students, review the preservation needs for higher education  
7 facilities, and review the funding options for preservation and  
8 additional higher education facilities in the state; and

9       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee consist of  
10 twelve members, two members each, one from each major caucus, from the  
11 House of Representatives Committees on Capital Budget, Appropriations,  
12 and Higher Education, appointed by the Co-Speakers of the House of  
13 Representatives, and four members from the Senate Committee on Ways and  
14 Means, two from each major caucus, and two members from the Senate  
15 Committee on Higher Education, one from each major caucus, all  
16 appointed by the President of the Senate; and

17       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and  
18 recommendations to the legislature at the regular session held in 2002.

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