# FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1702

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description**: Informing students of low-cost course materials for community and technical college courses.

**Sponsors**: Representatives Van Werven, Leavitt, Kraft, Entenman, Rude, Sutherland, Dye, Gildon, Slatter, Chambers, Graham, Caldier, Eslick, Mosbrucker, Young, Jinkins, Bergquist, Doglio and Pollet.

House Committee on College & Workforce Development House Committee on Appropriations Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

#### **Background:**

### ctcLink Requirements.

The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) began implementing a single, centralized software system for each of the 34 community and technical colleges in which students, faculty, and staff will have access to a variety of tools online. The ctcLink system has been implemented at Tacoma Community College, Spokane Falls Community College, and Spokane Community College thus far.

After a community or technical college has implemented the ctcLink system, the college must provide to students during registration both the cost of any required textbook or other course material and whether the course uses Open Educational Resources. This information may be provided either by displaying it in the online course description or by providing a link that connects to the bookstore's website.

#### **Summary**:

Community and technical colleges that have implemented the ctcLink system must indicate to students during registration whether a course uses low-cost required instructional materials. This information may be provided either in the course description or via a link to the bookstore's website. A course uses low-cost instructional materials if the entire cost of the required materials equals \$50 or less.

## **Votes on Final Passage:**

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