
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1936

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By House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Dorn, Ferguson, Jacobsen, Orr, Grant, Roland, Rasmussen, Winsley, Broback and Rayburn).

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1 AN ACT Relating to college and university admission standards;
2 creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** By May 15, 1991, or as soon as possible
5 thereafter, the higher education coordinating board and the
6 superintendent of public instruction shall jointly convene a task force
7 to recommend a process for evaluating and accepting a student's high
8 school coursework for entrance into a state university, regional
9 university, or state college. In selecting or adding task force
10 members, the agencies shall consult with the work force training and
11 education coordinating board and other appropriate organizations. The
12 process shall be designed to accomplish the following goals:

1 (1) Give college freshmen a reasonable assurance that their high
2 school coursework has prepared them to successfully proceed through
3 college.

4 (2) Recognize the changing nature of high school crediting and
5 instruction and award appropriate credit for curriculum and
6 competencies learned in a variety of ways, including through
7 interdisciplinary classes, equivalency classes, and the academic
8 components of vocational and technical classes.

9 (3) Recognize and award appropriate credit to measurable student
10 competencies.

11 (4) Achieve decisions within a reasonable amount of time.

12 (5) Under special circumstances, provide for on-site program or
13 coursework reviews.

14 (6) Provide an appeal process that, under special circumstances,
15 may provide an additional review of competencies, coursework, or
16 classes.

17 By December 20, 1991, the higher education coordinating board and
18 the superintendent of public instruction shall report recommendations
19 to the governor and the house of representatives and senate higher
20 education and education committees. In the event that the two agencies
21 are unable to reach agreement on a process, the report may include
22 points of agreement and disagreement.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
24 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
25 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
26 effect immediately.