# Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research



# **Education Committee**

## **HB 2233**

**Brief Description**: Expanding the college in high school program to students in ninth grade.

**Sponsors**: Representatives Van Werven and Barkis.

## **Brief Summary of Bill**

• Expands the College in the High School program to students eligible for the ninth grade.

Hearing Date: 1/20/20

**Staff**: Megan Wargacki (786-7194), and Riley O'Leary (786-7296).

### **Background:**

Some school districts offer students opportunities to earn both high school and college credit through various programs, including Running Start, Tech Prep, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and College in the High School (CHS).

The CHS programs include both academic and career and technical education and are taught at the participating high school, by high school teachers, with college curriculum, college textbooks, and oversight by college faculty and staff. Students pay credit fees but may qualify for some state subsidies. If the student passes the CHS course, then the school district must grant high school credit to the student and the participating institution of higher education must grant college credit to the student.

Students eligible for tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade may participate in a CHS program. Participating school districts must provide general information about the CHS programs to all students and parents or guardians of students in grades nine through twelve.

### **Summary of Bill:**

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Students eligible for ninth grade are made eligible to participate in a College in the High School (CHS) program. Participating school districts must also provide general information about the CHS programs to all students and parents or guardians of students eligible for eighth grade.

**Appropriation**: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 15, 2020.

**Effective Date**: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.