

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6468

As Passed Senate, February 5, 2020

Title: An act relating to the legislative advisory committee to the committee on advanced tuition payment.

Brief Description: Repealing the legislative advisory committee to the committee on advanced tuition payment.

Sponsors: Senators Randall, Frockt, Saldaña and Wilson, C.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Higher Education & Workforce Development: 1/21/20, 1/23/20 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed Senate: 2/05/20, 49-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Repeals the Legislative Advisory Committee to the Committee on Advanced Tuition Payment.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Randall, Chair; Stanford, Vice Chair; Holy, Ranking Member; Brown and Liias.

Staff: Alicia Kinne-Clawson (786-7407)

Background: The Legislative Advisory Committee (advisory committee) to the Committee on Advanced Tuition Payment and College Savings as established in 2011. The advisory committee is responsible for providing advice to the committee and the state actuary regarding the administration of the Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) program and the college savings program including, but not limited to, pricing guidelines, the tuition unit price, and the unit payout value.

The advisory committee membership is comprised of the following:

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- two members from each of the two largest caucuses of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House; at least one member from each caucus shall be a member of the House Ways and Means Committee and at least one member from each caucus shall be a member of the House Higher Education Committee; and
- two members from each of the two largest caucuses of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate; at least one member from each caucus shall be a member of the Senate Ways and Means Committee and at least one member from each caucus shall be a member of the Senate Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee.

Summary of Bill: The advisory committee to the Committee on Advanced College Tuition Payment and College Savings is repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 20, 2020.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: We have seen the successful implementation of the college savings program and tenure of the GET program. The committee piece feels like some extra red tape that we can get rid of. Members and staff have many obligations and eliminating this is an efficiency.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Randall

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.