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SENCD1 Operating Expenses

Section: 397.20

Reappropriates an amount certified by the Clerk of the Senate, up to the available balance of GRF ALI 020321, Operating Expenses, at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026 for the same purpose in the following fiscal year.

Executive**BORCD89 Rules adopted by state institutions of higher education****R.C. 3345.033, 3345.14, 3345.57, 3345.69**

Eliminates the requirement that the LSC Director publish rules adopted by a state institution of higher education in the electronic Administrative Code and the requirement that the state institution file a copy of the rule with JCARR.

Requires a state institution to annually submit an electronic copy of all effective rules to the Chancellor and the chairpersons of the committees that primarily deal with higher education in the Senate and House of Representatives.

Permits the chairpersons to hold a hearing and require a representative from the state institution to provide testimony regarding the rule, upon both receipt of a rule and failure to receive the rule.

Exempts rules posted on a state institution's website from review by JCARR and state law governing rules adopted by state agencies.

Fiscal effect: Minimal.

BORCD79 General Education Requirements**Section: 381.750**

Requires, no later than December 31, 2025, a board of trustees of a state institution of higher education to formally review and evaluate the components of its institution's general education curriculum and adopt a resolution acknowledging the board's completion of that review. Requires each board to submit a copy of its resolution to the Chancellor.

Requires, no later than March 31, 2026, each board to formally evaluate its institution's general education curriculum to enhance content that furthers the state's post-secondary education attainment and workforce goals. Requires each board to adjust the curriculum in the following areas: (1) civics, culture, and society; (2) artificial intelligence, STEM, and computational thinking; (3) entrepreneurship and the principles of innovation; and, (4) workforce readiness.

Requires, no later than June 30, 2026, each board to adopt a resolution summarizing changes to its institution's general education curriculum resulting from its evaluation process and to submit a copy of the resolution to the Chancellor.

Requires the Chancellor to provide a copy of each of the resolutions submitted by institutions to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Fiscal effect: Increase in administrative workload for each state institution of higher education to evaluate its general education requirements.

BORCD81 Direct admissions**Section: 381.770**

Requires the Chancellor and DEW Director to establish a direct admissions pilot program to notify high school students if they meet the admissions requirements of participating postsecondary education institutions.

Requires the Chancellor to endeavor to implement the program so that students graduating in the 2026-2027 school year may participate.

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Requires the Chancellor, as part of the program, to do all of the following:

- (1) Establish an automated process that uses a student's academic record in existing student information systems and information held by a student's high school to determine whether the student meets the admissions requirements; and
- (2) Issue a report, at least once each school year, about the pilot program, and submit it to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, DEW Director, OBM Director, OWT, and the Governor.

Authorizes the Chancellor to terminate the pilot program if its operation is determined impracticable.

Permits a participating school governing body to adopt a written policy authorizing its high schools to participate in the pilot program.

Requires a participating school governing body to develop a procedure to determine if students who wish to participate in the pilot program meet any eligibility requirements established by the Chancellor.

Prohibits requiring any student, school, or institution to participate in the pilot program.

Fiscal effect: The program is voluntary for secondary and postsecondary institutions. ODHE's administrative costs will increase to develop and implement the pilot program. However, ODHE may terminate it if its operation is determined impracticable.
