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Mr. Speaker,

The Education Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 265**, HIGHER EDUCATION STRATEGIC REINVESTMENT, by Representative K. M. Peterson, with the following amendments:

1. *Line 100:*

100 post-graduation employment outcomes; and

101 (b) enrollment-based funding {;} , including, for technical colleges, funding distribution models

that:

(i) include equivalent funding value for secondary and adult students; and

(ii) reflect the full responsibility of the technical college's statutorily-required services.

2. *Line 208:*

208 amount equal to the amount the institution failed to properly reallocate.

209 {(8) A reduction or closure of a program, department, college, or position in accordance
with

210 an institution's strategic reinvestment plan constitutes a financial exigency as described

211 in Section 53B-2-106.1 and other personnel and staffing decisions.}

(8) (a) Each degree-granting institution shall:

(i) establish policies specifically to effectuate the strategic reinvestment plan, and that

address the following:

(A) reduction or elimination of positions and other personnel decisions; and

(B) internal institutional procedures regarding the reduction, elimination, creation, or
modification of programs, courses, degrees, departments, colleges, or other divisions of the
institution;

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- (ii) ensure that the policies described in Subsection (8)(a):
 - (A) create operational efficiencies in carrying out the strategic reinvestment plan;
 - (B) assist the institution to meet the timeframes described in this section and the strategic reinvestment plan; and
 - (C) are consistent with the guidance the board provides in accordance with Subsection (4)(a);
- and
- (iii) prepare the policies described in Subsection (8)(a) in consultation with the board.
 - (b) An institution's policies described in Subsection (8)(a) may supersede the following that are inconsistent with the strategic reinvestment plan or the goals of the plan:
 - (i) an existing policy, procedure, or timeframe of the institution; and
 - (ii) a board policy, if the board determines that superseding the policy is necessary or appropriate.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, an institution may act in accordance with the policies described in this Subsection (8).

Respectfully,

Candice B. Pierucci
Chair

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