

460 (vii) methods of leveraging innovative course delivery, including technology resources;

461 (c) explore methods and make recommendations for the collection and analysis of
462 critical data regarding:

463 (i) enrollment and completion of postsecondary education courses, certificate
464 programs, credentials, and degree programs;

465 (ii) federal and state student aid awarded to incarcerated individuals;

466 (iii) costs of postsecondary education in prison, including any recommendations for
467 continued improvement; and

468 (iv) outcomes of formerly incarcerated individuals who participated in postsecondary
469 programming during incarceration if the individual is under the supervision of the Department
470 of Corrections, including recidivism, employment, and post-release postsecondary education
471 engagement; and

472 (d) recommend requests for legislative appropriations to the board to support the
473 purposes and objectives of the council.

474 (2) The council shall annually report regarding the council's plans and programs, the
475 number of enrollees served, and the number of enrollees receiving degrees and certificates to:

476 (a) the board;

477 (b) before the committee's November interim committee meeting, the Education
478 Interim Committee; and

479 (c) at least 30 days before the beginning of the annual legislative session, the Higher
480 Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

481 Section 5. Section **53B-35-301** is enacted to read:

482 **Part 3. Student Support**

483 **53B-35-301. Higher education student advisors.**

484 (1) ~~§→ [An] A degree-granting ←§~~ institution of higher education providing education to
484a inmates in a correctional

485 facility shall ~~§→ [§→, to the extent that resources allow, ←§] ←§~~ provide relevant academic and
485a1 career

485a advising services that are substantially
486 similar to services provided to a student who is not a confined or incarcerated individual.

487 (2) Each participating institution of higher education described in Subsection (1) shall
488 report annually to the council regarding the guidance and support provided.

489 Section 6. Section **64-13-6** is amended to read:

490 **64-13-6. Department duties.**