

1 Amend the Education Committee Report, dated January 28, 2020, page  
2 2, strike lines 6 through 41.

3 Page 3, strike line 1 and substitute:

4        "(2) (a) THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, IN  
5 CONSULTATION WITH INSTITUTIONS, SHALL CONDUCT A STUDY  
6 CONCERNING AWARDING ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING  
7 OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN ALL INSTITUTIONS. THE STUDY MUST EXAMINE:

8        (I) THE PROCESSES BY WHICH A STUDENT CAN RECEIVE ACADEMIC  
9 CREDIT FOR ANY COURSE IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM, FREE OF  
10 TUITION, THROUGH SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A PORTFOLIO  
11 ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT, EXAMINATION, OR ANY  
12 COMBINATION THEREOF THAT IS APPROPRIATE TO THE LEARNING  
13 OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE;

14        (II) THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO A STUDENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT  
15 LIMITED TO IMPACT ON A STUDENT'S OVERALL ATTENDANCE COST,  
16 WHETHER A POLICY WOULD ACCELERATE THE TIME TO COMPLETE A  
17 POSTSECONDARY CREDENTIAL, AND THE IMPACT ON THE STATE'S GOAL TO  
18 INCREASE CREDENTIAL ATTAINMENT RATES; AND

19        (III) THE COSTS TO INSTITUTIONS TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN  
20 PROCESSES TO GRANT ACADEMIC CREDIT TO A STUDENT FOR PRIOR  
21 LEARNING AND THE ABILITY TO RECOVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FROM  
22 STUDENTS REQUESTING THE PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT.

23        (b) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2021, THE COMMISSION SHALL  
24 REPORT TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF  
25 REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, THE RESULTS OF THE  
26 STUDY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION.".

27 Page 3, line 2, strike "(3)" and substitute "(3) (a)".

28 Page 3, after line 13 insert:

29        "(b) THE COUNCIL, COMMISSION, OR DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
30 EDUCATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF, MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND  
31 EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES  
32 FOR THE PURPOSES OF CREATING, ADOPTING, AND IMPLEMENTING A PLAN  
33 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. THE PLAN SHALL NOT BE CREATED, ADOPTED,  
34 OR IMPLEMENTED UNLESS SUFFICIENT MONEY IS AVAILABLE FROM GIFTS,  
35 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS TO COVER THE COSTS OF CREATING, ADOPTING,  
36 AND IMPLEMENTING A PLAN PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.".

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