CHAPTER 294

EDUCATION - UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

HOUSE BILL 06-1024

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AN ACT

CONCERNING UNDERSERVED STUDENTS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. Article 5 of title 23, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTIONS to read:

23-5-133. Governing boards - underserved students - report - repeal. (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, EACH GOVERNING BOARD OF A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, A REPORT REGARDING UNDERSERVED STUDENTS, WHICH INCLUDES:

(a) THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT EACH STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNDER THE GOVERNING BOARD'S CONTROL PROVIDES TO ADDRESS THE RETENTION AND SUCCESS OF UNDERSERVED STUDENTS; AND

(b) ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS OR SERVICES FOR UNDERSERVED STUDENTS THAT THE STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION WOULD PROPOSE TO PROVIDE AND THE RELATED COSTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE PROPOSED PROGRAMS OR SERVICES.

(2) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007.

23-5-134. Governing boards - on-line textbook program. EACH GOVERNING BOARD OF A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL CONSIDER CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ON-LINE TEXTBOOK LIBRARY AT THE INSTITUTION TO
ALLOW STUDENTS TO PURCHASE ONLY THOSE MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THE APPLICABLE COURSE WORK. IN CONSIDERING THE PROGRAM, THE GOVERNING BOARD, AT A MINIMUM, SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT BOTH THE COSTS TO THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE POTENTIAL FOR REDUCED COSTS TO STUDENTS. WHETHER AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION CREATES AN ON-LINE TEXTBOOK LIBRARY SHALL BE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE INSTITUTION’S GOVERNING BOARD.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: June 1, 2006