

# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 392, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning higher education.
- 3 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 4 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) As used in this**
- 5 **SECTION, "committee" refers to an interim study committee to**
- 6 **which the legislative council assigns the topics of study described**
- 7 **in subsection (c).**
- 8 **(b) As used in this SECTION, "state educational institution" has**
- 9 **the meaning set forth in IC 21-7-13-32.**
- 10 **(c) The general assembly urges the legislative council to assign**
- 11 **the following topics pertaining to state educational grading**
- 12 **practices to an appropriate committee:**
- 13 **(1) Grading practices for courses that are required to fill**
- 14 **general education requirements at the state educational**
- 15 **institution.**
- 16 **(2) Whether the grade distribution for a required course at a**
- 17 **state educational institution may differ depending upon**
- 18 **whether the course is taught by a:**
- 19 **(A) tenured faculty member;**
- 20 **(B) faculty member who is on a tenure track; or**
- 21 **(C) contract instructors.**

- 1           **(3) Whether grading practices for required courses taught at**  
2           **a state educational institution have changed during the five (5)**  
3           **most recent academic years.**
- 4           **(4) Any other issue pertaining to grading practices at a state**  
5           **educational institution that the legislative council determines**  
6           **is appropriate.**
- 7           **(d) If the topics described in subsection (c) are assigned to a**  
8           **committee under subsection (c), the committee shall, not later than**  
9           **November 1, 2012, issue a final report to the legislative council**  
10          **concerning the findings and recommendations of the committee**  
11          **concerning the topics described in subsection (c).**
- 12          **(e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2012.**
- 13          **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**  
            (Reference is to SB 392 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

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**Senator Kruse, Chairperson**