

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1220, 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 Page 1, line 12, delete "IC 21-18-9-7" and insert "IC 21-18-9-8".
- 2 Page 1, line 14, delete "7." and insert "8."
- 3 Page 1, line 15, delete "or proposed".
- 4 Page 2, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 5 **"(b) In providing justification under subsection (a):**
- 6 **(1) if the state educational institution documents that the**
- 7 **additional credit hours are required by:**
- 8 **(A) specific program standards established by external**
- 9 **accreditation bodies; or**
- 10 **(B) occupational certification or licensure;**
- 11 **the commission shall accept the justification; and**
- 12 **(2) if the state educational institution documents that the**
- 13 **additional credit hours are related to:**
- 14 **(A) employer requirements; or**
- 15 **(B) enhanced program quality and content;**
- 16 **the commission may accept the justification."**
- 17 Page 2, line 7, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".
- 18 Page 2, line 7, delete "periodic".
- 19 Page 2, line 9, delete "section." and insert "section at least every
- 20 **three (3) years.**
- 21 **(d) A proposal submitted to the commission under section 5 of**

1 **this chapter must provide justification for a degree that requires**
2 **more than:**
3 **(1) sixty (60) credit hours for an associate degree; or**
4 **(2) one hundred twenty (120) credit hours for a baccalaureate**
5 **degree."**

(Reference is to HB 1220 as printed January 11, 2012.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1.

Senator Kruse, Chairperson