

260C.18B Community college budget review.

1. A community college budget review procedure is established for the school budget review committee created in section 257.30. The school budget review committee, in addition to its duties under chapter 257, shall meet and hold hearings each year under this chapter to review unusual circumstances of community colleges, either upon the committee's motion or upon the request of a community college. The committee may grant supplemental state aid to the community college from funds appropriated to the department of education for community college budget review purposes.

Unusual circumstances shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a.* An unusual increase or decrease in enrollment or contact hours.
- b.* Natural disasters.
- c.* Unusual staffing problems.
- d.* Unusual necessity for additional funds to permit continuance of a course or program in an instructional cost center which provides substantial benefit to students.
- e.* Unusual need for a new course or program in an instructional cost center which will provide substantial benefit to students, if the community college establishes the need and the amount of necessary increased cost.
- f.* Unique problems of community colleges to include vandalism, civil disobedience, and other costs incurred by community colleges.

2. When the school budget review committee makes a decision under subsection 1, it shall provide written notice of its decision, including the amount of supplemental state aid approved, to the board of directors of the community college and to the department of education.

3. All decisions by the school budget review committee under this chapter shall be made in accordance with reasonable and uniform policies which shall be consistent with this chapter.

4. Failure by a community college to provide information or appear before the school budget review committee as requested for the accomplishment of review or hearing constitutes justification for the committee to instruct the department of administrative services to withhold supplemental state aid to that community college until the committee's inquiries are satisfied completely.

96 Acts, ch 1215, §29; 2003 Acts, ch 145, §286