

261J.3 Restrictions on use of moneys.

1. A public institution of higher education shall not, except as otherwise provided by federal or state law or accreditation standards, expend any moneys appropriated by the general assembly or any other moneys derived from bequests, charges, deposits, donations, endowments, fees, grants, gifts, income, receipts, tuition, or any other source to establish, sustain, support, or staff a diversity, equity, and inclusion office.

2. [Subsection 1](#) shall not be construed to cover or affect a public institution of higher education's funding of any of the following:

a. Academic course instruction.

b. Research or creative works by the public institution of higher education's students, faculty, or other research personnel, and the dissemination of such research or creative works.

c. Activities of registered student organizations.

d. Arrangements for guest speakers and performers with short-term engagements.

e. Mental or physical health services provided by licensed professionals.

3. [Subsection 1](#) shall not be construed as prohibiting bona fide qualifications based on sex that are reasonably necessary to the normal operation of public higher education.

[2024 Acts, ch 1152, §33, 37](#)

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