

Senate File 2272

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1 Amend Senate File 2272 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 260C.36, subsection 4, paragraph a,
4 Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

5 a. An ad hoc accreditation quality faculty plan protocol
6 committee to advise the department in the development of
7 protocols related to the quality faculty planning process to
8 be used by ~~the~~ an accreditation teams team during site visits
9 when invited by the community college to conduct an evaluation
10 of the quality faculty plan and assist the community college
11 in meeting the accreditation standards of the higher learning
12 commission, the department under the voluntary accreditation
13 process established pursuant to section 260C.47, subsection 3,
14 or any other accrediting agency. The committee shall, at a
15 minimum, determine what types of evidence need to be provided,
16 develop interview procedures and visit goals, and propose
17 accreditation protocol revisions.>

18 2. Page 1, line 6, before <Each> by inserting <1.>

19 3. Page 1, after line 9 by inserting:

20 <2. The state board shall adopt rules under chapter 17A that
21 establish an accreditation process, accreditation standards,
22 and appropriate remedies and sanctions for community colleges
23 which fail to meet the accreditation standards of the higher
24 learning commission. A community college that fails to meet
25 the accreditation standards of the higher learning commission
26 shall comply with the accreditation standards and accreditation
27 process established by rule by the state board in accordance
28 with this subsection until the community college is in
29 compliance with the higher learning commission's accreditation
30 standards. Action by the state board under this subsection is
31 final agency action for purposes of chapter 17A.

32 3. The state board shall adopt rules under chapter 17A that
33 establish a voluntary accreditation process and accreditation
34 standards to be administered by the department upon request
35 for specific community college programs that the higher

1 learning commission does not accredit, which may include but
2 is not limited to career and technical education programs and
3 quality faculty programs. A community college that voluntarily
4 seeks accreditation of a specific program by the department
5 under this subsection shall pay the cost of the voluntary
6 accreditation process and shall comply with the voluntary
7 accreditation process and accreditation standards established
8 by rule by the state board in accordance with this subsection.>

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