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EDUCATION

SENATE FILE 2142

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(COMPANION TO HF 2140)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to meeting dates by which the state board of
2 regents must make final decisions on tuition increases for
3 institutions of higher education under its control.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 262.9, subsection 18, Code Supplement
2 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3 18. Not less than thirty days prior to action by the board
4 on any proposal to increase tuition, fees, or charges at one
5 or more of the institutions of higher education under its
6 control, send written notification of the amount of the
7 proposed increase including a copy of the proposed tuition
8 increase docket memorandum prepared for its consideration to
9 the presiding officers of the student government organization
10 of the affected institutions. The final decision on an
11 increase in tuition or mandatory fees charged to all students
12 at an institution for a fiscal year shall be made no later
13 than the regular meeting held in ~~November~~ March of the
14 preceding fiscal year and shall be reflected in a final docket
15 memorandum that states the estimated total cost of attending
16 each of the institutions of higher education under the board's
17 control. The regular meeting held in ~~November~~ March shall be
18 held in Ames, Cedar Falls, or Iowa City and shall not be held
19 during the period in which classes have been suspended for
20 ~~Thanksgiving-vacation~~ spring break.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill extends from November to March the regular
23 meeting date by which the state board of regents must make its
24 final decision on an increase in tuition or mandatory fees
25 charged to all students at an institution of higher education
26 under its control. The bill prohibits the board from holding
27 the meeting during spring break.

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