## Senate Study Bill 3048 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BILL)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the college student aid commission's
- 2 reporting requirements.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 256.177, subsection 8, Code 2024, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 8. Submit by January 15 annually a report to the general
- 4 assembly which provides, by program, the number of individuals
- 5 who received <del>loan forgiveness or loan repayment</del> state financial
- 6 aid funding in the previous fiscal year, the amounts paid to or
- 7 on behalf of the individuals under sections 256.205, 256.220,
- 8 and 256.224, and the institutions from which individuals
- 9 graduated, and that includes any proposed statutory changes and
- 10 the commission's, other key program indicators, findings, and
- 11 recommendations. The report shall also include a description
- 12 of the methodology and manner in which the commission makes
- 13 the determination of awards for programs for which moneys are
- 14 appropriated under section 256.194.
- Sec. 2. Section 256.189, Code 2024, is amended to read as
- 16 follows:
- 17 256.189 Administration by commission rules.
- 18 1. The commission shall administer this program and shall
- 19 do all of the following:
- 20 1. a. Provide application forms and parents' confidential
- 21 statement forms.
- 22 2. b. Adopt rules and regulations for determining financial
- 23 need, defining tuition and mandatory fees, defining residence
- 24 for the purposes of this subpart, processing and approving
- 25 applications for tuition grants, and determining priority of
- 26 grants. The commission may provide for proration of funds
- 27 if the available funds are insufficient to pay all approved
- 28 grants. Such proration shall take primary account of the
- 29 financial need of the applicant. In determining who is a
- 30 resident of Iowa, the commission's rules shall be at least as
- 31 restrictive as those of the board of regents.
- 32  $\frac{3}{100}$  c. Approve and award tuition grants.
- 33 4. 2. Make an annual report to the governor and general
- 34 assembly, and evaluate the tuition grant program for the
- 35 period. The commission may require the an accredited private

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- 1 institution to promptly furnish any information which the
- 2 commission may request in connection with the tuition grant
- 3 program.
- 4 Sec. 3. Section 256.192, subsection 7, paragraph d, Code
- 5 2024, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 6 Sec. 4. Section 256.193, subsection 4, Code 2024, is amended
- 7 by striking the subsection.
- 8 Sec. 5. Section 256.197, subsection 10, Code 2024, is
- 9 amended by striking the subsection.
- 10 Sec. 6. Section 256.216, subsection 5, Code 2024, is amended
- 11 by striking the subsection.
- 12 Sec. 7. Section 256.219, subsection 9, Code 2024, is amended
- 13 by striking the subsection.
- 14 Sec. 8. Section 256.220, subsection 5, Code 2024, is amended
- 15 by striking the subsection.
- 16 Sec. 9. Section 256.224, subsection 7, Code 2024, is amended
- 17 by striking the subsection.
- 18 Sec. 10. Section 256.225, subsection 8, Code 2024, is
- 19 amended by striking the subsection.
- 20 Sec. 11. Section 256.227, subsection 8, paragraph d, Code
- 21 2024, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 22 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 24 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 25 This bill relates to the college student aid commission's
- 26 reporting requirements.
- 27 Current law requires the college student aid commission
- 28 to submit an annual report to the general assembly which
- 29 provides, by program, the number of individuals who received
- 30 loan forgiveness or loan repayment in the previous fiscal
- 31 year; the amounts paid to or on behalf of individuals under
- 32 the chiropractic loan forgiveness program, the teacher
- 33 shortage loan forgiveness program, and the health care award
- 34 program; the institutions from which individuals graduated; and
- 35 proposed statutory changes. The bill modifies these reporting

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- 1 requirements to require the college student aid commission to
- 2 submit an annual report to the general assembly which provides,
- 3 by program, the number of individuals who received state
- 4 financial aid funding in the previous fiscal year, the amounts
- 5 paid to or on behalf of the individuals, other key program
- 6 indicators, findings, and recommendations. The bill provides
- 7 that this report is to include a description of the methodology
- 8 and manner in which the college student aid commission makes
- 9 the determination of awards for certain specified programs for
- 10 which moneys are appropriated.
- 11 Current law requires the college student aid commission
- 12 to submit an annual report to the governor and the general
- 13 assembly related to certain specified tuition grants and
- 14 evaluate the tuition grant program. The bill strikes these
- 15 requirements.
- 16 The bill strikes the college student aid commission's annual
- 17 reporting requirements related to the vocational-technical
- 18 tuition grants, the scholarship and tuition grant reserve
- 19 fund, the guaranteed student loan program, the Iowa minority
- 20 academic grants for economic success program, the teacher
- 21 shortage forgivable loan program, the teacher shortage loan
- 22 forgiveness program, the health care award program, the mental
- 23 health professional loan forgiveness program, and the skilled
- 24 workforce shortage tuition grant program.