

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2003

Page 1, line 11, after the second semicolon insert "to provide for a higher education stabilization and transformation committee;"

Page 18, after line 23, insert:

**"SECTION 26. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - HIGHER  
EDUCATION STABILIZATION AND TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE -  
MEMBERSHIP - DUTIES.**

1. During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall study higher education funding mechanisms. The legislative management shall create a higher education stabilization and transformation committee to conduct the study, consisting of thirteen members as follows:
  - a. The governor, or the governor's designee;
  - b. The commissioner of higher education;
  - c. The majority leader of the house of representatives, or the majority leader's designee;
  - d. The majority leader of the senate, or the majority leader's designee;
  - e. The minority leader of the house of representatives, or the minority leader's designee;
  - f. The minority leader of the senate, or the minority leader's designee;
  - g. One member of the house of representatives selected by the chairman of the legislative management;
  - h. One member of the senate selected by the chairman of the legislative management;
  - i. Two representatives of institutions under the control of the state board of higher education, appointed by the governor; and
  - j. Three residents of the state with knowledge and interest in the transformation of the higher education system in the state, appointed jointly by the governor and the chairman of the legislative management.
2. The legislative management shall designate the chairman of the committee and the committee shall operate according to the statutes and procedures governing the operation of other legislative management committees.
3. The committee shall study higher education funding mechanisms that would stabilize and enhance the higher education funding formula, including the distributions from permanent funds to sustain the funding for high-performing faculty and programs and private-public partnerships.

4. The committee may also study the current availability of higher education options in North Dakota and the sustainability of the current system.
5. The committee shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the legislative management.
6. A member of the committee who is not a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for mileage and expenses as provided by law for state officers and employees, to be paid by the legislative council. A state employee who is a member of the committee is entitled to reimbursement for mileage and expenses to be paid by the employing agency or institution."

Renumber accordingly