

1999 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2029

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2029

Senate Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1/29/99 Rehearing 2/2/99

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		x	2029-2365
2/2/99 1	x		-3,160
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Glaudia Anderson</i>			

Minutes:

JOE MORRISSETTE: Member of Legislative Council Staff reviewed the bill and its background. (tape 1, side B 1200-1400)

SENATOR NETHING: The question before us is, whether or not we want the budget section to retain approval of the tuition reciprocal agreements, correct?

JOE MORRISSETTE: This would just be nonresident tuition rates that are not covered by reciprocal tuition agreements. It would only apply to nonresident rates charged to people that are not from Minnesota, South Dakota, Montana, or Manitoba.

SENATOR SOLBERG: The question then is whether or not we are willing to have any say whatsoever in tuition?

SENATOR NETHING: No, I think the question is whether or not we want to, as a budget section, approve those nonresident tuition rates other than those under reciprocal agreements.

SENATOR TALLACKSON: This is our bill from the budget section?

SENATOR NETHING: Yes. Joe, the reciprocal tuition agreements, those are set by the board, aren't they?

JOE MORRISSETTE: Yes.

SENATOR NETHING: The only place we have been involved in nonresident tuition is in this area with these students?

JOE MORRISSETTE: Yes.

LARRY ISAAC: Chancellor of the ND University System presented testimony on behalf of Laura Glatt, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Affairs (testimony attached). (tape 1576-1735)

SENATOR SOLBERG: What percent of ND taxpayers money will pay for my college at that tuition rate if I'm from Colorado?

LARRY ISAAC: We have several tuition rates. That tuition rate for a Colorado student would be governed by the Western Undergraduate Exchange at 150 percent of resident tuition. That is set through the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. The students we are talking about in this bill would not be those students governed under that arrangement, these would be students that aren't governed under current arrangements - i.e. a student from Texas. They pay 2 and 2/3 times the rate which would be between \$6-7,000. I think it is important to continue to try to attract students from those states because they help pay all of our bills. The more revenue we can get in from whatever source, it is a help to the institutions and the state of ND. I can't answer your question, directly, but if you were to pull out all of your fixed costs, etc., I don't know that there would be a whole lot of difference. If you included all of your costs including your fixed costs, then you could say the cost of tuition for a Colorado student wouldn't cover it - for a Texas student it would.

SENATOR SOLBERG: You have joined the Midwestern Conference which includes 10 other states in addition to these states and now includes about 25 states. We have narrowed down our field as far as giving these students a break?

SENATOR NETHING: This bill won't change that because that would be under a reciprocal agreement which is already exempt from the budget section approval.

SENATOR BOWMAN: To put authority out of the budget section into the governing board, what do we use as a guideline to administrate funds if you control the amount of money the board itself has the authority to control the tuition fee from out-of-state? Do we have some insurance to know that the extra cost that is incurred by those extra students coming in here that we only see through the budget process, the board understands that cost and that is included in that out-of-state tuition? Does the board then have the authority to raise those fees if they see that cost also?

LARRY ISAAC: The board does have the authority to up the rates for resident, nonresident tuition and reciprocal agreements. The only rates that come to the budget section currently for approval are the pure nonresident rates which is about 2-3,000 of our 35,000 students.

SENATOR BOWMAN: What does it cost for my son to go to Stanford to get the same degree as it does to go to Grand Forks to get the same degree?

LARRY ISAAC: Stanford is a private institution, so I don't think they charge out-of-state. Let's use undergraduate. A SD student going to CA would pay full nonresident rate. If they wanted to come to UND, Wyoming or Montana, they would pay 150 percent of the resident rate. California

does not participate in the Western Undergraduate Exchange Program. California and Arizona are outside the 15 states included in this program.

SENATOR NETHING: Closed hearing on SB 2029.

2/2/99

(tape 1 - 3160)

SENATOR NETHING: Reopened the hearing on SB 2029 and called for the motion.

SENATOR TALLACKSON: Moved do pass SB 2029.

SENATOR ANDRIST: Seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: YEAS - 11; NAYS - 2; ABSENT & NOT VOTING - 1
MOTION CARRIED ON SB 2030.**

CARRIER: SENATOR HOLMBERG

Yeas: Nething; Naaden; Lindaas; Tallackson; Tomac; Robinson; St. Aubyn; Grindberg;
Holmberg; Kringstad; Andrist
Nays: Solberg; Bowman
Absent & Not Voting: Krauter

SENATOR NETHING: Closed the hearing on SB 2029. (tape 3160)

Date: 2/2/99
Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
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Senate APPROPRIATIONS Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Passed

Motion Made By Sen. Tallackson Seconded By Sen. Andrist

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Nething, Chairman	✓				
Senator Naaden, Vice Chairman	✓				
Senator Solberg		✓			
Senator Lindaas	✓				
Senator Tallackson	✓				
Senator Tomac	✓				
Senator Robinson	✓				
Senator Krauter					
Senator St. Aubyn	✓				
Senator Grindberg	✓				
Senator Holmberg	✓				
Senator Kringstad	✓				
Senator Bowman		✓			
Senator Andrist	✓				

Total (Yes) 11 No 2

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Sen. Tallackson

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 2, 1999 10:55 a.m.

Module No: SR-21-1678
Carrier: Tallackson
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2029: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(11 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2029 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

1999 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2029

Date: 3-8-99
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2029

House Appropriations Committee

Subcommittee on _____
 or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By [Signature] Seconded By Wentz

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Dalrymple		✓	Nichols	✓	✓
Vice-Chairman Byerly	✓		Poolman	✓	
Aarsvold	✓		Svedjan	✓	
Bernstein	✓		Timm		✓
Boehm		✓	Tollefson		✓
Carlson		✓	Wentz	✓	
Carlisle		✓			
Delzer		✓			
Gulleson	✓	✓			
Hoffner	✓				
Huether	✓				
Kerzman	✓				
Lloyd	✓				
Monson		✓			

Total (Yes) 11 No 8

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Lloyd

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 8, 1999 3:04 p.m.

Module No: HR-41-4276
Carrier: Lloyd
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2029: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Dalrymple, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(11 YEAS, 8 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2029 was placed on the
Fourteenth order on the calendar.

1999 TESTIMONY

SB 2029

NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERISTY SYSTEM
SB2029

Chair and Members of the Committee:

My name is Laura Glatt. I am the Vice Chancellor for Administrative Affairs with the North Dakota University System. I am here today in support of SB2029. This bill would provide the State Board of Higher Education with the authority to set non-resident tuition rates.

Currently, the Board determines the nonresident rate, but they must seek Budget Section approval of these rates. This bill would remove the Budget Section approval.

The Board sets room, board, fee and tuition rates in the spring of each year. This is done usually in March or April. It is a little later in the odd-numbered years due to the legislative session. The campuses are always anxious to have the rates set as early as possible so that these can be communicated to returning students as well as those students that might interested in attending a NDUS campus. In addition, it is important to set rates early so that these can be used for financial aid packaging purposes.

In most recent years, the Board has set tuition rates (including non-resident rates) in March or April. The setting of these rates has not coincided with meeting dates of the Budget Section. As a result, the Budget Section has generally approved them at their June meeting. By this time, the rates proposed by the Board have been widely communicated to students and have been used in developing financial aid packages.

The Budget Section did not feel that this was a reasonable arrangement and felt that the Board should have the ability to set nonresident tuition rates just as they do all other categories of tuition rates. The Board supports this and appreciates the Budget Section's action in proposing this amendment.

If you have any questions I would be happy to answer them.

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