

TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED
No Governor Action Necessary

SCR 66, offered by Senator Kurt Schaefer, creates the University of Missouri System Review Commission to review the University of Missouri Collected Rules and Regulations, administrative structure, campus structure, auxiliary enterprises structure, degree programs, research activities, and diversity programs. Four members were appointed to the board by President Ron Richard on June 16, 2016: Dave Spence, Neal Bredehoeft, Michael Williams, and Renee Hulshof. Speaker Todd Richardson appointed four members to the commission on June 29, 2016: Gary Forsee, Jeanne Siquefield, Pamela Washington, and Robert Duncan.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

June 13, 2016: HB 1681, offered by Representative Elijah Haahr, exempts yoga teacher training courses, programs, or schools from provisions of law regulating proprietary schools (effective August 28, 2016).

June 13, 2016: SB 968, offered by Senator Dan Brown, allows individuals currently serving in the Missouri National Guard or in a reserve component of the Armed Forces to have resident student status for admission and tuition purposes at public institutions of higher education (effective August 28, 2016). Added to the original components were numerous amendments:

- Language that changes the laws regarding the Missouri Returning Heroes' Education Act to require the application of state and federal student aid after the tuition discount and allow the resulting reduction to result in aid that exceeds the cost of attendance (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that reauthorizes the War Veteran's Survivor program, which provides a tuition grant for surviving spouses and children of war veterans and changes the definition of eligible student to include children who were a dependent within five years subsequent to the injury and individuals who became spouses within five years subsequent to the injury (effective immediately).

June 16, 2016: HB 2017, offered by Representative Tom Flanigan, reappropriates money for capital improvements projects authorized in FY 2016 (effective July 1, 2016). These projects include Higher Education Capital Fund projects and bonding projects at each public institution in the state.

June 16, 2016: HB 2018, offered by Representative Tom Flanigan, appropriates money for capital improvement projects, including projects at Harris-Stowe State University, Lincoln University, Metropolitan Community College, Missouri Southern State University, Missouri State University, Missouri Western State University, Northwest Missouri State University, Ozarks Technical Community College, Southeast Missouri State University, State Technical College of Missouri, Truman State University and the University of Missouri (effective July 1, 2016).

June 16, 2016: SB 997, offered by Senator David Pearce, is the department's legislative proposal and has four parts – dual credit, 15 to Finish, Guided Pathways to Success, and concurrent

postsecondary enrollment – which encourage students to complete their degree on time (effective August 28, 2016). This portion of the bill is being described as an outcome of your Blueprint process. Added to the original components were numerous amendments:

- Language that reauthorizes the War Veteran’s Survivor program, which provides a tuition grant for surviving spouses and children of war veterans and changes the definition of eligible student to include children who were a dependent within five years subsequent to the injury and individuals who became spouses within five years subsequent to the injury (effective immediately).
- Language that creates a procedure for higher education entity participation in the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that requires public institutions of higher education to create guidance regarding notice of public employee eligibility for loan forgiveness and requires public employers to give such notice to employees (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that changes the laws regarding postsecondary course options (dual enrollment) by broadening the definition of schools allowed to cooperate with public high schools to offer those options to include the State Technical College of Missouri (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that requires the Coordinating Board for Higher Education to maintain and publish on its website a list of postsecondary educational institutions meeting certain criteria for the purposes of state authorization for federal financial aid (effective immediately).
- Language that requires the department of higher education to develop, maintain, and operate a website containing information for students about resources at public and private institutions of higher education (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that establishes the “Higher Education Core Curriculum Transfer Act”, which requires the Coordinating Board for Higher Education, in consultation with public two- and four-year institutions of higher education, to develop a core curriculum of at least 42 credit hours that will transfer between all institutions in the state (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that requires full-time employees of public institutions of higher education to file quarterly travel reports with the Missouri Ethics Commission listing information about any out-of-state travel made by such employees’ spouses that was paid for by the institutions (effective August 28, 2016).

June 22, 2016: SB 638, offered by Senator Jeanie Riddle, modifies several provisions relating to elementary and secondary education. The provisions that affect higher education include:

- Language that requires school districts to develop a system for identifying students who are at risk of not being ready for college-level work or entry-level career positions (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that allows school districts to develop policies on student recognition for participation in the Constitution Project of the Missouri Supreme Court, including the A+ tuition reimbursement program (effective August 28, 2016).
- Language that allows nonpublic school students to receive reimbursement of higher education costs through the A+ schools program (effective August 28, 2016).

July 1, 2016: SB 921, introduced by Senator Jeanie Riddle, modifies provisions relating to victims of crime. The one that affects higher education requires public institutions of higher education to implement memorandums of understanding with law enforcement with respect to sexual assaults on campus.

July 5, 2016: HB 1816, offered by Representative Andrew Koenig, modifies provisions relating to health care professionals and prescription refills. The ones that affect higher education include:

- Language that allows various boards to collaborate with the Department of Health and Senior Services or other entities, such as higher education institutions, to collect and analyze workforce data to assess the availability of qualified health care providers.
- Language that transfers the authority over the Nursing Education Incentive Program from the Department of Higher Education to the State Board of Nursing.

July 5, 2016: SB 635, offered by Senator Dan Hegeman, modifies provisions relating to health care. The ones that affect higher education include:

- Language that allows various boards to collaborate with the Department of Health and Senior Services or other entities, such as higher education institutions, to collect and analyze workforce data to assess the availability of qualified health care providers.
- Language that requires more information be included in the Department of Health and Senior Services' brochure on meningococcal disease. It also changes the requirement that students who live in on-campus housing receive a meningococcal vaccination by stating it must be received not more than five years prior to enrollment and includes fraternity and sorority residences in the definition of on-campus housing.

VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR

July 8, 2016: HB 2237, offered by Representative Caleb Rowden, allows county commissioners who serve on boards and commissions to vote as a member of the county commission on any funding request submitted to the county commission without that vote being seen as a conflict of interest. It also allows the University of Missouri extension councils in counties to obtain financing in their own name so long as it does not constitute a debt to the university and the university is not obligated to repay the financed amount.