



Senate Bill 113
Senate Education Committee
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Members of the Committee, please accept this letter regarding Senate Bill 113. The bill directs the HECC to establish definitions for employee categories at postsecondary institutions and to report on the employee data that is collected from community colleges and universities. These responsibilities would be new to the HECC. We do not currently identify or collect this type of information.

It is our understanding that there is a fair amount of variability on these definitions from campus to campus. We believe that implementing the bill would require developing additional expertise within the agency to convene work groups of college and university representatives to set the definitions in administrative rule.

The bill would also require the HECC to report on prior academic years. It is not known whether the information from previous years exists.

In short, this bill would require the Commission to report on aspects of colleges and universities that are not currently within our purview. As a result, we believe it would require a modest level of new staffing and reporting resources for the Commission.