

HB 2972 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits universities and colleges from threatening to discipline or sanction students to influence decision of victim of sexual assault, domestic violence or stalking from participating in investigation or adjudication of crime.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Federal law requires certain institutions to collect and report information about crimes committed on campus. 20 U.S.C. 1092. In addition, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities that receive federal financial assistance. The United States Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights enforces Title IX and regularly investigates the manner in which colleges and universities handle cases of sexual assault.