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## **INDIAN COLLEGES: FREE TUITION**

House Bill 4498

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Committee: Colleges & Universities

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### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4498 AS INTRODUCED 3-7-91**

Currently, under Public Act 174 of 1976, state colleges and universities, including community and junior colleges, must provide free tuition to North American Indians who meet certain qualifications. House Bill 4498 would amend the act to extend this requirement to federal tribally controlled community colleges. Under the bill, the Michigan Commission on Indian Affairs would be required to meet with each federal tribally controlled community college in the state by June 30, 1992 to secure agreements from them that they would waive tuition for those who qualified and that they would accept reimbursement from the commission. The agreement could either follow the reimbursement procedures required under the act or any other procedure agreed to by the parties. Reimbursement for the tuition waivers would commence July 1, 1992.

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