



HOUSE BILL No. 5858

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A bill to require the legislature to develop a model for funding certain state universities

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1 Sec 1 This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "higher education funding model act

3 Sec 2 As used in this act, comprehensive I university'
4 or university means a state university described in section 4
5 5, or 6 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963 that
6 offers a baccalaureate program and graduate education through the
7 master's degree level only

8 Sec 3 (1) The legislature shall develop a model for fund-
9 ing comprehensive I universities that provides equitable funding
10 among the comprehensive I universities based on criteria that
11 take into account differences among those universities in
12 institutional program structure, enrollment, and role and

1 mission The criteria used in the model may include but are not
2 limited to, any of the following

3 (a) Provision of a base grant of state funding per state
4 resident full-year equated student enrolled in each university

5 (b) Number of baccalaureate degrees conferred by a universi-
6 ty, weighted to take into account the varying instructional costs
7 of different types of baccalaureate degrees

8 (c) Proportion of a university s expenditures devoted to
9 direct instructional costs

10 (d) Student access to a university and retention of students
11 after enrollment

12 (e) Placement of a university's graduates in degree-related
13 employment or graduate studies

14 (f) Type and quantity of research conducted by a university
15 and its staff

16 (g) Type and quantity of public service provided by a uni-
17 versity and its staff

18 (2) In developing the model described in subsection (1) the
19 legislature shall obtain the input and cooperation of the execu-
20 tive branch and of the comprehensive I universities

21 (3) The model developed under subsection (1) may provide
22 that, in a fiscal year in which no increase in state funding is
23 available, there will be a specified uniform percentage reduction
24 in the appropriation to each comprehensive I university and a
25 reallocation of that money to fund specific policy initiatives
26 identified in the model