

IC 21-18-9

Chapter 9. Educational Program Review

IC 21-18-9-1

Powers of commission; budget review; recommendations

Sec. 1. The commission may:

- (1) review the legislative request budgets of all state educational institutions preceding each session of the general assembly; and
- (2) make recommendations concerning appropriations and bonding authorizations to state educational institutions, including public funds for financial aid to students by any state agency.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.259.

IC 21-18-9-2

Powers of commission; program review; recommendations

Sec. 2. (a) The commission may:

- (1) review all programs of any state educational institution, regardless of the source of funding; and
- (2) make recommendations to the board of trustees of the state educational institution, the governor, and the general assembly concerning the funding and the disposition of the programs.

(b) The commission, in consultation with the department of workforce development, shall develop and recommend funding amounts and performance metrics that reward workforce training programs under IC 21-41-5-3(b) and that are not included in the postsecondary performance funding formula. Ivy Tech Community College shall assist the commission, and the department of workforce development shall provide the data necessary for the commission to develop these funding amounts and performance metrics. Funding amounts and performance metrics recommended under this subsection must be aligned with the workforce needs and training and education needs identified in the occupational demand report prepared by the department of workforce development under IC 22-4.1-4-10. This subsection expires July 1, 2020.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.259. Amended by P.L.141-2016, SEC.5.

IC 21-18-9-3

Request for receipts and expenditures

Sec. 3. In making a review under section 1 or 2 of this chapter, the commission may request and shall receive, in the form reasonably required by the commission, from all state educational institutions, complete information concerning all receipts and all expenditures.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.259.

IC 21-18-9-4

Powers of commission; studies; recommendations

Sec. 4. The commission may:

- (1) make, or cause to be made, studies of the needs for various types of postsecondary education; and
- (2) make recommendations to the general assembly and the governor concerning the organization of these programs.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.259.

IC 21-18-9-5

Powers of commission; approval or disapproval of branches, degrees, and programs

Sec. 5. The commission may approve or disapprove the:

- (1) establishment of any new branches, regional or other campuses, or extension centers;
- (2) establishment of any new college or school; or
- (3) offering of any proposed or existing:
 - (A) associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree; or
 - (B) program leading to a certificate or other indication of accomplishment.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.259. Amended by P.L.169-2011, SEC.21; P.L.101-2012, SEC.1.

IC 21-18-9-6

Expired

(As added by P.L.114-2011, SEC.6. Expired 6-30-2013 by P.L.114-2011, SEC.6.)

IC 21-18-9-7

Common course numbering system

Sec. 7. In collaboration with the state educational institutions, the commission shall develop, implement, and maintain a common course numbering system to be used by the state educational institutions for all courses in the core transfer library (as defined in IC 21-42-1-3). The commission shall create a state course numbering system into which each state educational institution shall map the state educational institution's unique course numbers.

As added by P.L.88-2012, SEC.1.

IC 21-18-9-8

Undergraduate degree programs; number of credit hours

Sec. 8. (a) Each state educational institution shall review each undergraduate degree program offered by the state educational institution to determine the number of credit hours required for the degree and report the results to the commission. If a degree program requires more than:

- (1) sixty (60) credit hours for an associate degree; or
- (2) one hundred twenty (120) credit hours for a baccalaureate degree;

the state educational institution must provide justification to the commission in the report for the additional credit hours required.

(b) In providing justification under subsection (a):

(1) if the state educational institution documents that the additional credit hours are required by:

(A) specific program standards established by external accreditation bodies; or

(B) occupational certification or licensure;

the commission shall accept the justification; and

(2) if the state educational institution documents that the additional credit hours are related to:

(A) employer requirements; or

(B) enhanced program quality and content;

the commission may accept the justification.

(c) The commission shall require a review and report of the credit hours required for degree programs under this section at least every three (3) years.

(d) A proposal submitted to the commission under section 5 of this chapter must provide justification for a degree that requires more than:

(1) sixty (60) credit hours for an associate degree; or

(2) one hundred twenty (120) credit hours for a baccalaureate degree.

As added by P.L.101-2012, SEC.2.

IC 21-18-9-9

Annual report to legislature; state educational institution information

Sec. 9. (a) In collaboration with each state educational institution's institutional research or strategic planning department, the commission shall develop an annual report to the general assembly that includes the following information:

(1) Faculty activities related to the mission of the state educational institution, including teaching, course grading practices, research, scholarship, outreach, and professional services.

(2) Average and median faculty and administrator salaries.

(3) Median grade point averages for all students for the fall and spring semesters.

(4) Median grade point averages for all graduating seniors.

(5) Other information the commission considers necessary.

The information in the report must include undergraduate student information and faculty data by academic department, college, or university.

(b) A state educational institution shall provide the information set forth in subsection (a) in the form required by the commission.

(c) The report to the general assembly under subsection (a) must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

As added by P.L.177-2013, SEC.3.

IC 21-18-9-10

Expired

(As added by P.L.177-2013, SEC.4. Expired 1-1-2015 by P.L.2-2014, SEC.95.)

IC 21-18-9-10.5

Ivy Tech community college; review of some programs

Sec. 10.5. (a) The commission shall review the programs offered by Ivy Tech Community College that have low graduation rates.

(b) Based on the results of the review under subsection (a), the commission may do any of the following regarding such a program:

- (1) Require the restructuring of the program, based on information from other programs that are successful.
- (2) Eliminate the program.
- (3) Take no action concerning the program.

As added by P.L.213-2015, SEC.234.

IC 21-18-9-11

Annual report to general assembly; percentage of resident and nonresident students

Sec. 11. (a) The commission shall do the following:

- (1) Annually determine for each state educational institution:
 - (A) the percentage of students enrolled in the state educational institution who are charged tuition based on the resident tuition rate; and
 - (B) the percentage of students enrolled in the state educational institution who are charged tuition based on the nonresident tuition rate.

(2) Report the information determined for each state educational institution under subdivision (1) to the budget committee and the legislative council before December 1 of each year. The report to the legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(b) A state educational institution must submit to the commission any information needed by the commission to determine the percentages under subsection (a).

As added by P.L.213-2015, SEC.235.