

COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

FURTHER:

2/15/55

Date 2/20/55

Mr. President

The Committee on FINANCE considered SB 17

applicability of the scholarship loan program to students attending more than one postsecondary educational institution; etc.

and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass
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- and attached a "LETTER OF INTENT" NEW FISCAL NOTE
- reports it back without recommendation (20)
- recommends referral to _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman

Chairman recommendation

STATE OF ALASKA 1985 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 17
 Title: Re: Scholarship loans to students
 Sponsor: Kerttula
 Requestor: Senate Hess
 Date of Request: 1/16/85

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Education
 Program Category Affected: Postsecondary Commission
 BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: Student Loan Program

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90
OPERATING						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 SUPPLIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS						
800 MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	N.A.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	N.A.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	N.A.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	N.A.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page if necessary

No fiscal impact is associated with this bill

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 Division: Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Date: _____
 Approved by Commissioner: _____ Date: _____
 Agency: _____

Distribution (by Agency preparing fiscal note):

Legislative Finance
 Legislative Sponsor
 Requestor
 Office of Management and Budget
 Impacted Agency(ies)

7/1/84

ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

POSITION STATEMENT ON SB 17

Summary: To qualify for a student loan, a student must enroll full time, that is at least 12 credit hours each term for undergraduate students, and at least nine credit hours each term for graduate students. If a student wishes to enroll in more than one institution and aggregate the credit hours to be full time, the current statute requires that there be a consortium agreement between the institutions.

SB 17 removes the requirement for a formal consortium agreement.

Impact: The result would be negligible. The bill was introduced a year ago in response to problems student loan applicants were incurring when they tried to enroll in both the University of Alaska, Anchorage and Matanuska-Susitna Community College. Since there was no formal consortial agreement, UAA officials would not release loans for these students.

As of January 11, 1985, Matanuska-Susitna Community College and UAA have a consortium agreement. Hence, the problem at which this bill was directed, has been solved.

The bill will not result in students enrolling in a wide variety of institutions and, in effect, getting around program good-standing requirements, because program regulations already exist to address such a situation. (20 AAC 15.040(n) and 20 AAC 15.045(c)). Therefore, the bill successfully removes some unnecessary language in the current statutes and has little program effect.

There is no fiscal impact of the bill.

Position: The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education endorses the passage of SB 17.

Introduced: 1/14/85
Referred: Health, Education and
Social Services and
Finance

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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 17

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the applicability of the scholar-
ship loan program to students attending more than one
postsecondary educational institution; and providing
for an effective date."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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* Section 1. AS 14.43.160(2) is amended to read:

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(2) "full-time student" means an undergraduate or career

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education student who is enrolled and is in regular attendance at

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classes for at least 12 semester hours of credit or the equivalent

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during the semester or a graduate student who is enrolled and is in

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regular attendance at classes for at least nine semester hours of

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credit or the equivalent; any combination of semester hours of credit,

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or the equivalent, aggregating to the requisite number of semester

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hours and undertaken during a semester at two or more public or pri-

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ate institutions of higher education [OPERATING UNDER A CONSORTIUM]

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constitutes full-time student status;

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* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-

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10.070(c).

ANALYSIS FOR SENATE BILL 17

An Act relating to the applicability of the scholarship loan program to students attending more than one postsecondary educational institution; and providing for an effective date.

In order to qualify for a Postsecondary student loan, a person must take at least 12 units per semester (9 units for graduate students). The student may split this unit load between two institutions and still qualify for a loan if both schools have signed what is known as a "consortium agreement". Essentially, this type of agreement means that each school will give credit for attendance at the other institution.

However, under current law, the Postsecondary Commission can not release the loan funds if a student is attending two schools that do not have "consortium agreement". Passage of this legislation would remove that restriction.

Until recently it was a problem for those students attending both UAA and Mat-Su Community College. Those two schools have now signed a "consortium agreement". According to Dr. Kerry Romesburg, it still remains a problem for those students wishing to attend both UAF and the Tanana Valley Community College.

There is no fiscal impact.

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Lucretia Schrenk
Chairman

Chairman recommendation