

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based only on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 2430

SPONSOR: Senator Mitchell

SUBJECT: Community College Reporting Requirements

DATE: April 14, 1999 REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>White</u>	<u>O'Farrell</u>	<u>ED</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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I. Summary:

This bill eliminates a requirement that each community college must comply with the reporting requirements of Information Resources Management.

This bill amends the following sections of the Florida Statutes: 282.005, 282.3031, and 282.310.

II. Present Situation:

The 1997 Legislature created sections 282.005, 282.3031, and 282.310, F.S., to govern the uniform collection of data and other components used for planning resources related to technology (Information Resources Management). The chief information officer of each state agency, including the Department of Education, the Board of Regents, and the State Board of Community Colleges, must report annually information used to:

- Inform Florida citizens of information technology projects funded by the Legislature,
- Assist in the review of requests for legislative funding for information resources, and
- Assist in the development of long-range technology resources for the state.

These laws refer to the State Board of Community Colleges "as the agency responsible for establishing and developing rules and policies for the State Community College System." This reference requires the board to collect the information from each community college to comply with the reporting requirements. Each community college is also required locally to have technology plans for long-range planning.

The state's 28 public community colleges are not state agencies, and the State Board of Community Colleges is not responsible for establishing and developing their rules and policies. The colleges are "political subdivisions of the state" (s. 240.317, F.S.) and the board is not a governing body but a coordinating one.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill will eliminate the requirement that local community colleges must comply with reporting requirements for Information Resource Management. The State Board of Community Colleges will still be required to comply.

IV. Constitutional Issues:**A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

Local community colleges would save workload because they would no longer have to comply with reporting requirements required only of state agencies.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.
