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The Committee on Education (Wise) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 3, lines 24 and 25, delete those lines

and insert: degrees. The board of trustees of a community college that has been authorized pursuant to 1007.33 (3) to offer a specific baccalaureate degree program approved by the State Board of Education and the Legislature, whose community college has become regionally accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer that degree, and which has graduated the first class from the authorized degree program, may approve the community college offering other baccalaureate degree programs which will articulate a specific Associate in Science degree with a specific Bachelor's in Applied Science degree without having to seek approval of the State Board of Education or the Legislature. This exemption applies only to articulated Associate of Science to Bachelor of Applied Science degree programs and does not exempt a community college from s.

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1 1004.65 (7), 1007.33 (4), or from the requirement to notify in
 2 writing the accredited public and private colleges and
 3 universities in the community college's district of its intent
 4 to deliver the proposed program. The notified colleges and
 5 universities have 90 days to submit in writing to the
 6 community college an alternative plan for providing the
 7 specified degree program. The alternative plan must include
 8 the curriculum for the new degree program and a time-line for
 9 implementation which will result in the initiation of the
 10 program within one year. The board of trustees of the
 11 community college must evaluate each proposal received for the
 12 new degree to determine the relative merit of each alternative
 13 plan versus the community college's own plan. Such an
 14 evaluation must consider which proposal is best for the
 15 students who would enroll in the new degree program and the
 16 cost of each proposal.

17 The board of trustees of the community college shall
 18 make the final decision on who will offer each new degree
 19 program.

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 22 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

23 And the title is amended as follows:

24 On page 1, line 12, delete that line

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 26 and insert:

27 for purposes of granting baccalaureate degrees
 28 and, under certain conditions, approving
 29 articulated Associate in Science to Bachelor of
 30 Applied Science baccalaureate degree programs;

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