

By Senator Bennett

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to postsecondary education; creating
3 the Postsecondary Education Study Committee; providing
4 a purpose; providing for membership; requiring that
5 members serve without compensation, but are entitled
6 to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses;
7 requiring that the committee prepare and submit a
8 report to the Governor and the Legislature by a
9 specified date; providing for future expiration;
10 providing an effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14 Section 1. Postsecondary Education Study Committee.-

15 (1) The Postsecondary Education Study Committee is created
16 for the purpose of evaluating and determining whether state
17 university branch campuses should be combined with community
18 college campuses to create a three-level postsecondary education
19 system in the state. The goal of the committee is to create the
20 most academically and financially efficient postsecondary
21 education system possible.

22 (2) (a) The committee shall be composed of 15 members, of
23 which 5 shall be appointed by the Governor, 5 shall be appointed
24 by the President of the Senate, and 5 shall be appointed by the
25 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Governor shall
26 select a member to serve as chair.

27 (b) Members of the committee shall serve without
28 compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and
29 travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, Florida Statutes.

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30 (3) By January 1, 2013, the committee shall prepare and
31 submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the
32 Speaker of the House of Representatives a report detailing its
33 findings and recommendations.

34 (4) This section expires January 1, 2013.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.