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House

Florida Senate - 2017 Bill No. CS for CS for HB 859



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Bean moved the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (968838) (with title amendment)

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4 5 Delete lines 53 - 97

and insert:

6 <u>shall consist of the following persons or their designees: the</u>
7 <u>Chancellor of the State University System, the Chancellor of the</u>
8 <u>Florida College System, the Commissioner of Education, the</u>

9 <u>executive director of the commission, and the president of the</u>

10 Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida. The commission

11 shall provide administrative support for the council. The

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12	council shall:
13	(a) Within 60 days after the effective date of this act,
14	apply for this state to participate as a member state of a
15	reciprocity agreement;
16	(b) Serve as the single portal entity for administration of
17	a reciprocity agreement;
18	(c) Review and approve applications from institutions in
19	this state to participate in a reciprocity agreement and
20	establish an appeals process for institutions that are not
21	approved to participate in a reciprocity agreement;
22	(d) Ensure compliance by Florida institutions with the
23	terms and provisions of a reciprocity agreement, including, but
24	not limited to, accreditation and institutional quality,
25	consumer information and protection, disclosure and reporting
26	requirements, complaint mechanisms, and financial
27	responsibility;
28	(e) Comply with the terms and provisions of a reciprocity
29	agreement relating to any member state, Florida institution, or
30	non-Florida institution;
31	(f) Comply with the reporting requirements in a reciprocity
32	agreement and post all such reports on the council's website;
33	(g) Consistent with the complaint resolution processes in a
34	reciprocity agreement, develop and administer a complaint
35	resolution process to resolve complaints related to a
36	reciprocity agreement after all complaint processes in place at
37	a Florida institution have been exhausted by the complainant;
38	(h) Delegate any responsibilities, obligations, or
39	authorities necessary for the administration of this state's
40	participation in a reciprocity agreement to the commission's

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41	staff; and
42	(i) Recommend rules necessary to administer this section
43	for adoption by the state board.
44	(4) The Governor may request that the council convene for
45	the purpose of reconsidering this state's participation in a
46	reciprocity agreement. The council shall provide a
47	recommendation to the Governor within 14 days. Regardless of the
48	council's recommendation, or lack thereof, the Governor may
49	withdraw this state from participation in a reciprocity
50	agreement. Such withdrawal shall take effect 90 days after the
51	Governor's decision or by the end of the current academic term
52	of each participating Florida institution, whichever occurs
53	later. For purposes of this subsection, the term "current
54	academic term" means the academic term in which a participating
55	Florida institution has enrolled students at the time of the
56	Governor's decision to withdraw. If the Governor decides to
57	withdraw this state from participation in a reciprocity
58	agreement, each participating Florida institution must provide
59	the end date of its current academic term to the council.
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62	And the title is amended as follows:
63	Delete line 241
64	and insert:
65	reciprocity agreement; defining the term "current
66	academic term"; requiring the council to