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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

SB 729 creates a new tuition remission program for students who were in foster care or other placements out of their parent's home. The tuition remission would be applied after other federal scholarship, grants or aid (excluding loans) is deducted from the student's tuition and fees cost. The bill does not address state grants or scholarships that the student may receive.

The Legislative Fiscal Bureau estimates that as many as 659 students may become eligible for the remission each year with as many as 4,613 students eligible each year based on the number of years a student can qualify for the remission. The estimate assumes that 11.8 percent will enroll in WTCS colleges in each year while while they are between 18 and 24 years old. The estimate does not appear to account for any increase in enrollment that may occur due to the tuition remission under the bill.

The bill appropriates \$410,000 annually - shared by UWS and WTCS - to reimburse the cost of these remissions.

If the state appropriation is inadequate to reimburse colleges, the appropriation shall be prorated between UWS and WTCS. This means that under the bill, WTCS institutions may have to use other resources to pay for the cost of remissions that are not covered by the state appropriation. This will increase local costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications