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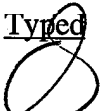
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Budget Amendments 2001 - 2003

Prepared by the Assembly Republican Caucus

Statement of Intent Require the UW System to make 70% of their undergraduate degree programs complete with 124 credits. This change will take effect by 2002.

Legislator Kreibich **Amendment** 18

Legislator 2 **Pass or Fail** Pass

Legislator 3 **Spending Cut**

Legislator 4 **Withdrawn**

Staff contact Brad **Package**

Agency UW System

Summary Taxpayers fund 70% of tuition expenses for UW System undergraduate students. Many students graduate with more than 120 credits. The average UW undergraduate degree now requires 139 credits for graduation (approximately five years of study). Examples of this 'credit creep' follow:

1. 22% of all graduates last year had more than 150 credits (5 years at 15 credits per semester).
2. 5% of all graduates last year had more than 180 credits (6 years at 15 credits per semester).

This amendment calls for the UW System to make 70% of their undergraduate degree programs complete with 124 credits.

Fiscal Impact Indeterminate.

Students will benefit from lower total tuition costs. Employers will benefit from a larger and faster trained work force. The overall economy will benefit from a larger pool of skilled workers.

The UW estimated a taxpayer savings of \$7.6M GPR for students who take more than 150 credits to graduate. It estimated \$1.8M in savings for students exceeding 180 credits.

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**ARC CAUCUS BUDGET AMENDMENT
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See form **AMENDMENTS — COMPONENTS & ITEMS.**

**CAUCUS AMENDMENT
TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1
TO 2001 SENATE BILL 55**

>>FOR CAUCUS SUPERAMENDMENT — NOT FOR INTRODUCTION<<

At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

- #. Page 515, line 23: after that line insert:

"SECTION 13512. CR; 36-11(46)
36-11(46) The board shall ensure that at least
70% of undergraduate degree programs
may be completed with no more than
124 credits."
- #. Page 1426, line 21: after this line insert.

"(1) The treatment of section 36.11(46) of
the statutes, takes effect on July 1, 2002."
- #. Page _____, line _____: as created by this act,

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DEGREE PROGRAMS.

#. Page _____, line _____:

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FOR 2001-03 BUDGET — NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION
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TO 2001 SENATE BILL 55

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

2 **1.** Page 515, line 23: after that line insert:

3 “SECTION 1351z. 36.11 (46) of the statutes is created to read:

4 **36.11 (46) UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS.** The board shall ensure that at
5 least 70% of undergraduate degree programs may be completed with no more than
6 124 credits.”.

7 **2.** Page 1426, line 21: after that line insert:

8 “(1g) UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS. The treatment of section 36.11 (46) of
9 the statutes, as created by this act, takes effect on July 1, 2002.”.

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