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# Bill Summary

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### **Overview**

Minnesota law does not establish tuition rates or requirements for resident tuition at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities or the University of Minnesota. Federal law also does not regulate tuition at public postsecondary institutions, but prohibits undocumented students from receiving a higher education benefit based on state residency unless that benefit is also available to any United States citizen or national.

This bill establishes criteria for students to be eligible for resident tuition based on the student attending and graduating from a Minnesota high school or receiving a GED after attending a Minnesota high school. It also requires students without lawful immigration status to apply for legal status as soon as possible.

### **Section**

- **Resident tuition.** Establishes criteria for students to be eligible for resident tuition at public institutions.
  - three or more years of attending a Minnesota high school;
  - graduation from a Minnesota high school or recipient of a GED in Minnesota;
  - registration or enrollment at a public higher education institution; and

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#### **Section**

• for students without lawful immigration status, filing an affidavit that the student has or will file, at the earliest possible time, an application to obtain legal status.

This provision is in addition to other provisions or policies that provide resident tuition to students and applies to tuition for academic terms beginning after the effective date.