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Section

- 1** **Legislative notice.** Adds a requirement that the Office of Higher Education (OHE) report to the legislature prior to making any material changes in the administration of any of the grant programs it administers, including the state grant, child care grants, Indian scholarships, and Achieve scholarships. This is parallel to the legislative notice requirement for loan programs administered by OHE.

- 2** **Transfers.** Limits OHE's transfer authority in law to move funds from the state grant program to other financial aid programs by restricting transfers unless the state grant program has a projected surplus. The requirement for a projected surplus prior to transfer currently applies to appropriations for the child care and work study programs.