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Current law prohibits the Office of Higher Education (OHE) from providing registration, degree approval, or name approval to a private, degree-granting postsecondary institution if there is a criminal, civil, or administrative adjudication of fraud or misrepresentation against the school.

H.F. 1775 removes this prohibition and instead gives OHE the discretion to revoke or deny an application for registration, degree approval, or name approval if the school received an adjudication of fraud or misrepresentation. The bill also permits the commissioner to revoke degree approval for a particular academic program rather than the school if the adjudication of fraud or misrepresentation was related to a particular academic program.