

S.F. 2214 – Omnibus Higher Education Budget and Policy Conference Committee Language Differences Summary

Article 1: Higher Education Appropriations

Side by Side Page	Senate Lines	House Lines	Comparison	Description
R3	3.11-3.19	3.15-3.22	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Intervention for College Attendance Program Grants. <i>Senate bill specifies that 2% of appropriations may be used to administer the program. House language permits commissioner to use appropriation to administer the program.</i>
R4-5	4.12-4.23	4.15-4.16	<i>Substantial differences</i>	MNSCU Two-Year Public College Program. <i>Senate language includes riders for grants, mentoring, and information technology. House Language does not specify sub-appropriations.</i>
R6	5.22-5.29	5.30-6.4	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Spinal Cord Injury and Traumatic Brain Injury Research Grant Program. <i>Senate language permits the commissioner to use 2% of the appropriation for administration; House permits 3%.</i>
R6	5.30-6.3	6.5-6.12	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Summer Academic Enrichment Program. <i>Senate language permits the commissioner to use 2% of the appropriation for administration; House permits 3%.</i>
R6-7	6.4-6.10	6.13-6.20	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Dual Training Competency Grants; Office of Higher Education. <i>Senate language permits the commissioner to use 2% of the appropriation for administration; House permits 3%.</i>
R8	7.17-7.27	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Campus Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Coordinator.
R8-9	7.28-7.33	7.29-8.3	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Teacher Shortage Loan Forgiveness. <i>Senate language permits the commissioner to use 2% of the appropriation for administration; House permits 3%.</i>
R9	8.1-8.19	5.18-5.22	<i>Technical differences</i>	Addiction Medicine Graduate Fellowship Program. <i>Senate includes rider language from 2015 omnibus bill; House cross-references the language. Staff recommends the House language.</i>
R9	8.20-8.33	8.4-8.13	<i>Substantial and technical differences</i>	Student and Employer Connection Information System. <i>Senate includes rider language from 2015 omnibus bill; House cross-references the language. Senate requires reporting in 2019, House requires reporting in both years of the biennium. Senate language permits the commissioner to use 2% of the appropriation for administration; House permits 3%.</i>

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R10	9.1-9.23	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Emergency Assistance for Postsecondary Students.
R10	9.22-9.27	5.23-5.29	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Large Animal Veterinarian Loan Forgiveness Program. <i>Senate funding is ongoing and sets the base for the program in 2028 at \$0. House funding is onetime and is available until 2024.</i>
R12	n/a	8.30-8.32	<i>House only provision</i>	Minnesota Life College. <i>Appropriates funds for a grant to Minnesota Life College for need-based scholarships and tuition reduction.</i>
R13	10.16-10.34	9.19-10.2	<i>Technical differences</i>	Transfers. <i>Staff recommends the Senate language.</i>
R14	n/a	10.13-10.17	<i>House only provision</i>	MnState – Central Office Location. <i>House prohibits MnState from renewing current lease for central office; requires exploring co-locating central office on a system campus</i>
R14	11.12-11.20	10.19-11.3	<i>Substantial differences</i>	MnState – Tuition Relief/Tuition Freeze. <i>House contains rider dedicating funds to student tuition relief in both fiscal years. Senate requires tuition freeze at state colleges and universities in both academic years. House requires tuition freeze at state colleges only in 2017-2018 and at universities only in 2018-2019. House requires 1% tuition reduction at state colleges in 2018-2019.</i>
R14-15	11.30-11.33	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	MnState – Students of Color Retention and Completion.
R15	12.1-12.10	11.22-11.30	<i>Technical differences</i>	MnState – Cook County Higher Education Board. <i>Staff recommends the House language.</i>
R15	12.11-12.15	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	MnState – Online Agricultural Courses.
R15-R16	12.16-13.13	11.31-12.16	<i>Technical differences</i>	MnState – Veterans-to-Agriculture. <i>Senate includes program requirements from 2015 omnibus. House version only includes citation to 2015 omnibus.</i> <i>Staff recommends the House language.</i>
R16	13.14-13.18	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	MnState – Sexual Harassment and Violence Policy Implementation.

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R16-R17	13.19-13.23	11.14-11.17	<i>Substantial differences</i>	MnState – Integrated Statewide Record System. <i>Senate states that 2024 base appropriation is \$0. House tail is \$5 million.</i>
R17-R19	n/a	13.3-15.5	<i>House only provision</i>	MnState – Performance-Based Funding. <i>House contains performance based funding provisions from 2015 omnibus.</i>
R20	14.22-14.29	34.7-34.22	<i>Substantial differences</i>	U of M – Tuition Reduction. <i>Senate requests tuition freeze in both academic years. House “encourages” tuition rates to move toward the median of other public Big Ten universities.</i>
R20-21	14.30-15.9	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	U of M – Medical School Improvements and Investments.
R21	15.20-15.24	15.31-16.5	<i>Substantial differences</i>	U of M – MnDrive. <i>Senate limits funds for cancer care research. House allows funds to be spent on cancer research, community strengthening, water quality improvement, and research on data issues.</i>
R22	n/a	16.10-16.14	<i>House only provision</i>	U of M – Morris Branch. <i>House includes funding of \$750,000 per year to the University’s Morris branch to cover the costs of statutory tuition waivers for Native American students.</i>
R22-R24	n/a	16.15-18.19	<i>House only provision</i>	U of M – Performance-Based Funding. <i>House contains performance based funding provisions from 2015 omnibus.</i>

Article 2: Public Postsecondary Education Policy

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R29-R30	n/a	23.17-24.7	<i>House only provision</i>	Collective Bargaining. <i>House encourages MnState and the University to seek fiscal balance in contract negotiations with collective bargaining units.</i>
R31	22.1-22.4	25.22-25.26	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Consultant Reporting. <i>Requirement identical except that House limits consultant reporting requirement to most recent biennium.</i>

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R31-R32	22.5-22.23	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Data Reporting. <i>Senate requires the U of M and MnState to provide the following: (1) a comparison of expenditures from the most recent fiscal year to the prior fiscal year, including a full explanation of all material changes; and (2) aggregate data related to student demographics, student enrollment history, student debt history, student academics, human resources, facilities, and administrative costs.</i>
R33-R34	n/a	26.4-27.17	<i>House only provision</i>	Automatic Admission. <i>House requires MnState and requests the University to automatically admit applicants who are established Minnesota residents recently graduating in the top 10% of his or her high school graduating class.</i>
R34	n/a	27.18-27.29	<i>House only provision</i>	Mandatory Student Activity Fees Prohibited. <i>House prohibits MnState from imposing on students any mandatory fee funding student programs, activities, or groups. The University is requested to adopt policies implementing this section. If it does not, net revenue from a prohibited fee may be deducted from the University's base appropriation in the first year of the next biennium.</i>
R35	n/a	28.1-28.10	<i>House only provision</i>	Information to Pregnant Students and Student Parents. <i>House requires all public and regionally accredited private colleges and universities to provide to student parents and pregnant students a factsheet including the student's legal rights and a list of resources available to the student.</i>
R35-R36	n/a	28.11-29.18	<i>House only provision</i>	MnState Program for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDDs). <i>House requires MnState to offer a program for students with IDD's. The program must provide a full-time, two-year residential college experience at no fewer than two college or university campuses throughout the state. An appropriations rider to fund this program is at House lines 11.4-11.13 (R15).</i>
R36-R37	n/a	29.19-30.21	<i>House only provision</i>	Workforce Development Scholarships. <i>House requires MnState to administer a scholarship program to incentivize students to enter the following high-demand occupations: advanced manufacturing, agriculture, health care services, and information technology. Scholarships are for \$2,500 per year. A student may be awarded the scholarship no more than two times. An appropriations rider to fund this program is at House lines 11.18-11.21 (R15).</i>
R37-R38	n/a	30.22-30.28	<i>House only provision</i>	U of M Program for Students with IDD's. <i>House requests the University to offer a program for students with IDD's consistent with the program required of MnState. An appropriations rider to fund this program is at House lines 16.6-16.9 (R21).</i>

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R38-R39	n/a	31.1-32.24	<i>House only provision</i>	U of M Fetal Tissue Research Practices. <i>House requires the University to impose certain requirements on research involving fetal tissue. Requirements include: approval of research by the University's Institutional Review Board (IRB); identification of fetal tissue available due to the natural death of the fetus; legislative reporting on fetal tissue research; auditing of fetal tissue by the IRB.</i>
R41-42	n/a	34.23-35.17	<i>House only provision</i>	U of M Fetal Tissue Research: Legislative Auditor Review. <i>House requests the Legislative Auditor to perform a comprehensive review of fetal tissue research activities at the University.</i>

Article 3: Higher Education Policy Language

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R42	32.3-32.17	35.20-36.2	<i>Substantial and technical differences</i>	Developmental Education Reporting. <i>House language requires data be aggregated by high school and postsecondary institution, Senate language does not. House language requires data be posted by October 1, 2017; senate language requires data be posted by February 1, 2018. House language is codified.</i>
R43	23.8-23.16	36.3-36.10	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Assigned Family Responsibility. <i>Senate language reduces the assigned family responsibility by \$158. House language reduces the responsibility by 9 percentage points.</i>
R43-R44	n/a	36.11-37.7	<i>House only provision</i>	Grants to Students with IDD. <i>Establishes a new grant program at the Office of Higher Education to provide financial aid to students enrolled in a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program.</i>
R46-R47	n/a	39.4-40.17	<i>House only provision</i>	Teacher Candidates of Color Scholarships. <i>Establishes a new program to provide scholarships to teacher candidates of color.</i>
R47-R48	25.13-26.23	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Teacher Candidate Grants. <i>Expands eligibility for grants to teachers in shortage areas to teacher candidates belonging to underrepresented racial or ethnic groups.</i>
R49-R50	26.24-28.5	40.18-41.31	<i>Technical differences</i>	Student Loan Debt Counseling. <i>Senate language makes grant distribution contingent upon available funding. Senate bill does not include an accompanying appropriation for this program. The House version includes an appropriation.</i>
R50-R53	n/a	42.1-44.9	<i>House only</i>	Greater Minnesota Loan Forgiveness Program.

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			<i>provision</i>	<i>Establishes a loan forgiveness program for individuals working in greater Minnesota.</i>
R53-R55	n/a	44.10-46.12	<i>House only provision</i>	Aviation Degree Loan Forgiveness Program. <i>Establishes a loan forgiveness program for aircraft pilots or technicians working in Minnesota.</i>
R55-R57	n/a	46.13-48.4	<i>House only provision</i>	Agricultural Education Loan Forgiveness Program. <i>Establishes a loan forgiveness program for agricultural educators working in Minnesota.</i>
R57-R58	28.7-28.20	48.5-48.23	<i>Substantial differences</i>	Exemption; Accredited Nonprofit Schools/Regionally Accredited Nonprofit Institutions in Minnesota. <i>House language exempts postsecondary institutions from regulations related to modes of delivery; Senate language does not.</i>
R58-R59	n/a	49.8-49.26	<i>House only provision</i>	Spinal Cord and Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council Membership. <i>Expands the advisory council for the Spinal Cord and Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council from 12 to 14 members.</i>
R59	30.16-30.23	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	County Scholarship Program. <i>Authorizes counties to establish a county scholarship program funded by any unencumbered mineral royalties or any law imposing a tax upon severed mineral values.</i>
R59-R60	30.24-30.31	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	University of Minnesota Base adjustment. <i>Adjusts the U of M's base for fiscal years 2018 to 2040. The original adjustment was made as an estimate to repay the U of M for bonds sold under its authority; this adjustment is to recapture the excess appropriation now that the actual payment amounts are known.</i>
R60-61	31.1-31.25	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Developmental Education Reform. <i>Requires MnState to create a system-wide plan to reform their developmental education offerings.</i>
R61	30.24-30.31	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Greater Minnesota Outreach and Recruitment. <i>Requests the U of M to develop an outreach and recruitment plan for students from greater Minnesota.</i>
R61-R62	32.18-34.8	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Required MnSCU Easements. <i>Requires MnState to grant a permanent easement to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the city of Virginia, including both an access and parking easement.</i>
R62-R63	34.9-34.16	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Supplemental Aid for Two-Year MnSCU Institutions. <i>Requires MnState to provide supplemental aid to each two-year college with at least one campus not located in a metropolitan county.</i>
R63	34.17-34.25	n/a	<i>Senate only</i>	State Grant Tuition Caps; Living and Miscellaneous Expense Allowance.

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			<i>provision</i>	<i>Establishes the maximum recognized cost of attendance for two-year (\$5,736) and four-year (\$14,186) institutions for purposes of calculating state grant awards. Establishes the allowance for living and miscellaneous expenses (LME) at \$9,320.</i>
R63	34.26-34.28	n/a	<i>Senate only provision</i>	Ongoing Appropriation. <i>Clarifies that any funds appropriated under a 2016 law for grants to teachers in shortage areas and carried forward to the fiscal year 2018-2019 biennium may be used for any of the purposes authorized under the amended version of the program (teacher candidate grants).</i>
R63-R64	n/a	50.1-50.16	<i>House only provision</i>	State Grant Report. <i>Requires OHE to report to the legislature on the amount of funding required for the State Grant Program to meet the needs of lower- and middle-income Minnesotans.</i>
R64	23.3-23.7	50.19-50.23	<i>Substantive differences</i>	Sexual Assault Definition. <i>Senate includes “sex offenses-incest” in the definition of sexual assault in Minnesota’s campus sexual assault law.</i>

Article 4: Office of Higher Education Agency Policy

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R64-R84	n/a	50.24-70.20	<i>House only provision</i>	<i>The House article includes a number of policy and technical changes from the Office of Higher Education’s agency bill. The article makes technical changes to the state’s campus sexual assault, financial aid, and loan forgiveness programs. The article additionally makes policy changes to the state’s registration and licensure requirements for private, degree-granting schools and private career schools.</i>