

Subject Higher Education: Direct Admissions Pilot Program

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Overview

Creates a new, non-statutory pilot program to automatically offer conditional state college or university admittance to eligible graduating high school seniors. This language is also contained in governor's higher education budget bill, H.F. 993.

Summary

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Subd. 1. Authorization. Authorizes the pilot program within the Office of Higher Education, which would consult with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the Department of Education, and other stakeholder organizations.

Subd. 2. Pilot design and goals. States the general aim of the program. Requires the initial program to include high schools with a significant number of students of color and/or low-income students.

Subd. 3. Evaluation and report. Requires a legislative report on the program by February 1, 2022. The report must include information about scaling-up the program to all public high schools in the state.

Subd. 4. Appropriation. Appropriates \$925,000 in FY22 and \$75,000 in FY23 in new funding for a direct admissions pilot program.