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Overview

Establishes college in the schools program aid and directs MNSCU institutions and encourages the University of Minnesota and private, nonprofit and career schools to accept the credits that enrolled postsecondary students received for successfully completing certified, National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership courses.

Section

1 College in the schools program aid.

Subd. 1. Accreditation. Encourages postsecondary institutions to apply for accreditation to the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships in order to establish a uniform standard for measuring courses and professional development activities.

Subd. 2. Eligibility. Makes a school district that offers a certified, National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership course through a course agreement under the Minnesota Post-Secondary Enrollment Options program (Minn. Stat. § 124D.09, subd. 10), eligible to receive aid for the costs of providing postsecondary courses at the high school. Beginning in fiscal year 2011, makes aid available to districts only if the district's concurrent enrollment courses are accredited, are being accredited or are comparable to accredited courses offered by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership.

Section

Subd. 3. Aid. Allocates to an eligible district \$150 per pupil enrolled in a certified, National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership course. Requires the money to be used for the cost of delivering the course at the high school. Directs the education commissioner to establish application procedures and deadlines for receipt of payment aids.

2 Eligible institution. Directs MNSCU institutions and encourages the University of Minnesota and private, nonprofit and career schools to accept the credits that enrolled postsecondary students received for successfully completing certified, National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnership courses.

3 Appropriation. (a) Appropriates unspecified amounts in fiscal years 2008 and 2009 from the general fund to the education commissioner for college in the schools program aid.

(b) Appropriates unspecified amounts in fiscal years 2008 and 2009 from the general fund to the education commissioner for transfer to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for institutions to become provisional members of the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.

(c) Appropriates unspecified amounts in fiscal years 2008 and 2009 from the general fund to the education commissioner for transfer to the Board of Trustees of MNSCU for institutions to become provisional members of the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.