

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

SB 199 # 1

DIGEST

Degree programs. Provides that a state educational institution that has been denied approval to continue a degree program may: (1) permit students to enroll in the degree program until June 1 of the year following the denial; and (2) provide students enrolled in the degree program with the opportunity to finish their degree prior to the degree program's closure. Requires the commission for higher education to submit an annual report concerning degree program closures to the general assembly.

1 Page 11, between lines 32 and 33, begin a new paragraph and insert:
2 "SECTION 8. IC 21-18-9-10.7, AS ADDED BY P.L.213-2025,
3 SECTION 248, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 10.7. (a) For each state educational
5 institution degree program, if: ~~the:~~
6 (1) ~~the:~~
7 (A) average number of students who graduate over the
8 immediately preceding three (3) years is fewer than:
9 ~~(A)~~ (i) ten (10) students for a particular associate degree
10 program;
11 ~~(B)~~ (ii) fifteen (15) students for a particular bachelor's
12 degree program;
13 ~~(C)~~ (iii) seven (7) students for a particular master's degree
14 program;
15 ~~(D)~~ (iv) three (3) students for a particular education
16 specialist program; or
17 ~~(E)~~ (v) three (3) students for a particular doctorate degree
18 program; ~~and or~~
19 (B) degree program meets the definition of a low earning
20 outcome program under the Higher Education Act (20
21 U.S.C. 1087d); and
22 (2) ~~the~~ state educational institution would like to continue a
23 degree program described in subdivision (1);
24 the state educational institution must request approval from the
25 commission to continue the degree program.

1 (b) **Subject to subsection (c)**, if the commission does not grant
2 approval under subsection (a), the state educational institution must
3 eliminate:

- 4 (1) the degree program; and
5 (2) any costs associated with the degree program.

6 (c) **A state educational institution that has been denied approval**
7 **under subsection (a) may:**

- 8 (1) **permit students to enroll in the degree program until June**
9 **1 of the year following the commission's denial; and**
10 (2) **provide students enrolled in the degree program with the**
11 **opportunity to finish their degree prior to the degree**
12 **program's closure under subsection (b).**

13 (d) **The commission shall prepare an annual report concerning**
14 **the number of degree programs that were denied approval under**
15 **subsection (a). The report described in this subsection must be**
16 **submitted, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, to the general**
17 **assembly not later than December 1 of each year."**

18 Page 11, delete lines 33 through 42.

19 Page 12, delete lines 1 through 18.

(Reference is to SB 199 as introduced.)