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POSITIONS ON 2016 PENDING LEGISLATION BY SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

LEGEND	
Color Key	
 Updated	
 Positions not yet approved by School Board	
 Passed both houses	
 Dead	
 Key Bills	

Sioux Falls Legislators

District 9 – Deb Peters, Paula Hawks, Wayne Steinhauer
District 10 – Jenna Hagggar, Don Hagggar, Steven Haugaard
District 11 – David M Omdahl, Jim Stalzer, Mark Willadsen
District 12 – Blake Curd, Arch Beal, Alex Jensen
District 13 – Phyllis Heineman, Steve Westra, G. Mark Mickelson
District 14 – Deb Soholt, Tom Holmes, Larry Zikmund
District 15 – Angie Buhl, Karen L. Soli, Patrick Kirschman

Senate Bill 8 Introduced by: The Committee on Education at the request of the Department of Education. Jeff Holcomb 367-8355

An Act to revise certain provisions regarding background investigations for prospective employees of the postsecondary technical institutes and to transfer certain funds regarding postsecondary technical credentialing.

Impact:

This bill transfers the credentialing of postsecondary instructors to the technical institutes. Background checks will continue to be a requirement. In higher education the credentialing of instructors is the responsibility of the individual institutions. The higher learning commission supports institutional credentialing of instructors.

Position:

The Institute **takes no position**.
Passed Senate 35-0

House Bill 1136 Introduced by: Representative Munsterman and Senator Vehle.
Jeff Holcomb 367-8355

An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the annual report provided to the Council on Higher Education Policy Goals, Performance, and Accountability, and to declare an emergency.

Impact:

The bill has been amended to repeal the report and turn the contents over to the Legislative Planning Committee.

Position:

The Institute recommends **no position** on this legislation.
Passed as Amended: 67-2

House Bill 1182 Introduced by: The Committee on Appropriations at the request of the Office of the Governor Jeff Holcomb 367-8355

An Act to increase the state sales tax, the state use tax, the excise tax on farm machinery, and amusement device tax for the purpose of increasing education funding and reducing property taxes, and to declare an emergency

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Impact: I have just heard of an amendment to this bill which will add the technical institutes to the funding measure for salary increases which will be distributed by administrative rule through the Department of Education. Below is the amendment that I believe is the one in question.

AMENDMENT FOR PRINTED BILL 1182of

_____ moved that HB 1182 be amended as follows:

On page 6 of the printed bill, delete lines 21 to 23, inclusive, and insert:

" Section 17. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

From the proceeds of this Act, each year sixty-three percent shall be dedicated to increasing teacher salaries by school districts, thirty-four percent shall be dedicated to reducing the property tax levies for general education for all classes of property, and three percent shall be dedicated to increasing instructor salaries to competitive levels at postsecondary technical institutes.

Section 18. That the code be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

The presidents of the postsecondary technical institutes, acting pursuant to rules established by the State Board of Education, shall use the money provided pursuant to this Act to increase instructor salaries at each postsecondary technical institute."

Position:

The institute recommends supporting the bill

Passed as amended: 47-21

House Bill 1203 Introduced by: The Committee on Appropriations at the request of the Office of the Governor Jeff Holcomb 367-8355

An Act to pay off bonds and make certain other changes necessary to effectuate a tuition freeze by the Board of Regents and the technical institutes, to make an appropriation therefor, and to declare an emergency.

Impact:

The bill is part of the Governor's budget request. The bond payoff is necessary to afford the tuition buy-down for the technical institutes. The bonds are part of the technical institute bonding for facilities. Also a special National Guard financial aid benefit is being transferred to the Department of Education from the Department of Military. The funding will transfer as well.

Position:

The institute recommends supporting the bill.