



## Legislative Update 3-9-12

### Summary of Legislation Impacting Higher Education

**HB 1041**      **Thomson**      Authorizes the governing board of any state university to convey or transfer real property, except in fee simple, without an authorizing act of the General Assembly through August 28, 2017.

**Bill History:** 03-08-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-General Laws

**HB 1042**      **Thomson**      Revises duties prescribed to the coordinating board for higher education.

**Bill History:** 03-08-12 H Third read and passed

**HB 1192**      **Koenig**      Changes the laws regarding investment contracts of the Missouri Higher Education Savings Program.

**Bill History:** 03-08-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Education

**HB 1201**      **Sifton**      Corrects the name of the organization referred to in the provisions regarding the Compact for Education from the Educational Commission of the States to the Education Commission of the States.

**Bill History:** 02-02-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Elementary and Secondary Education

HB 1216	McNeil	Increases the maximum annual grant amount that the University of Missouri Board of Curators can award for a research project on Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-21-12 H Voted do pass from committee on House-Higher Education
HB 1227	Brattin	Establishes the Missouri Standard Science Act which requires the equal treatment of science instruction regarding evolution and intelligent design.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-01-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Elementary and Secondary Education
HB 1229	Curtman	Specifies that a student at certain institutions of higher education has the right to record public classroom lectures for his or her personal use.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-19-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Higher Education
HB 1257	Kelly	Changes the composition of the University of Missouri Board of Curators.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-06-12 H Voted do not pass from committee House-Higher Education
HB 1297	Davis	Changes the laws regarding the professional licensure and certification requirements of current and former military personnel.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-07-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Professional Registration and Licensing

HB 1353	Schupp	Allows the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a student to the University of Missouri Board of Curators who will have full voting rights.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-06-12 H Voted do not pass from committee House-Higher Education
HB 1446	McNeil	Authorizes an income tax deduction for 100% of tuition and fees paid for up to the last nine or 18 hours required to complete an associate or bachelor degree from a public two-year or four-year college.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-08-12 H Public hearing completed
HB 1467	Nasheed	Requires the Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority to reserve \$30 million for loan forgiveness when the state unemployment rate exceeds a certain level in the previous fiscal year.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-14-12 H Public hearing completed
HB 1502	Jones-117	Creates the Higher Education Capital Fund to provide matching funds to public colleges and universities for capital projects under certain circumstances.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-21-12 H Meeting set for 8:00 AM, HR 6 House-Higher Education
HB 1579	Davis	Requires institutions of higher education to award educational credits to a veteran for certain courses that were a part of his or her military training or service.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-28-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Veterans

HB 1587	Wyatt	Requires that one voting member of the University of Missouri Board of Curators be a student.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-06-12 H Voted do not pass from committee House-Higher Education
HB 1722	Thomson	Changes the laws regarding proprietary schools.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-08-12 H Reported do pass House-Rules
HB 1741	Leara	Changes the laws regarding the defined contribution plan for employees of certain higher education institutions.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-19-12 H Meeting set for 2:30 PM, HR 6 House-Retirement
HB 1855	Wallingford	Establishes the Missouri Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Initiative within the Department of Higher Education.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-06-12 H Public hearing completed
HB 1876	Long	Establishes a process by which students in an unaccredited district who are attending a non-A+ school can qualify for an A+ award.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-05-12 H Read second time
HB 1895	Loehner	Allows University of Missouri Extension Councils to form extension districts made up of cooperating counties.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-07-12 H Read second time

HJR 57	Kelly	Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the General Assembly to issue bonds to fund higher education improvements, constructions, landscaping, and land or building purchases.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-15-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Budget
HJR 68	Nasheed	Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing state bonding authority for certain higher education capital improvements in the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-15-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Budget
HJR 70	Schoeller	Proposes a constitutional amendment eliminating the prohibition on the use of public funds for the benefit of any religious or sectarian educational purpose.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-02-12 H Referred to House Committee on House-Elementary and Secondary Education
SB 455	Pearce	Modifies the duties prescribed to the Coordinating Board of Higher Education.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-17-12 H Read second time
SB 482	Stouffer	Increases the statutory award amount for Alzheimer's disease research projects funded by the University of Missouri Board of Curators.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-18-12 S Voted do pass from committee on Senate-Education
SB 483	Rupp	Creates the Early High School Graduation Scholarship Program for public high school students who graduate from high school early.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-15-12 S Voted do pass from committee on Senate-Education

SB 527	Schaaf	Provides that home school students will receive the same consideration as non-home school students for purposes of higher education financial aid.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-05-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Education
SB 562	Dixon	Modifies provisions relating to the transfer of property by certain state universities.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-05-12 H Read second time
SB 563	Dixon	Modifies the term lengths of the Board of Governors of Missouri State University so that no more than three members' terms expire in any given year.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-05-12 H Read second time
SB 655	Green	Creates the Higher Education Capital Fund to provide matching funds to public colleges and universities for capital projects under certain circumstances.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-05-12 H Read second time
SB 672	Brown	Modifies higher education course credit requirements and healthcare-related professional licensure requirements for members of the armed forces.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-09-12 S Hearing conducted
SB 681	Lager	Provides that no more than two of the voting members of the board of regents of Northwest Missouri State University may be residents of the same county.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-02-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Education

SB 747	Schaefer	Modifies the composition of the University of Missouri Board of Curators.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-05-12 S Hearing conducted
SB 756	Engler	Modifies provisions regarding certain higher education employees' retirement.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-08-12 S Hearing conducted
SB 801	Justus	Creates the Missouri Tuition Equity Act.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-23-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Education
SB 811	Dixon	Authorizes the Board of Governors of Missouri State University to convey certain real property to the City of Springfield.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-06-12 S Hearing conducted
SB 865	Pearce	Allows University of Missouri Extension Councils to form extension districts made up of cooperating counties.
<b>Bill History:</b>		03-08-12 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Agri/Food Production/Outdoor Resources