

HOUSE BILL No. 2070

By Committee on Higher Education

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9 AN ACT concerning postsecondary educational institutions; providing
10 for the assessment of non-main campus classes versus main campus
11 classes.

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13 WHEREAS, In order to serve the needs of students in Kansas, pos-
14 tsecondary educational institutions in this state have established a number
15 of classes at locations other than the main campuses of the various pos-
16 tsecondary educational institutions;

17 WHEREAS, An overall assessment of the quality of non-main campus
18 classes versus main campus classes will assist in providing enhanced future
19 educational direction to serve students' needs; NOW, THEREFORE,

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21 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

22 Section 1. (a) The state board of regents annually shall provide to
23 the governor and legislature a comparative assessment of non-main cam-
24 pus classes and distance learning classes versus main campus classes at
25 postsecondary educational institutions in Kansas. The assessment shall
26 include, but not be limited to, the following:

27 (1) The quality of the faculty as assessed by educational level, years
28 of teaching or practical experience, teacher evaluations by students and
29 other relevant factors;

30 (2) the educational performance of the students;

31 (3) services provided by the institution to students, including recre-
32 ation and health care;

33 (4) the quality of the facilities, including availability and age of
34 technology;

35 (5) cost comparisons for students in non-main campus classes versus
36 main campus classes;

37 (6) cost comparisons for educational institutions for non-main cam-
38 pus classes versus main campus classes; and

39 (7) cost comparisons for distance learning classes and campus classes,
40 including both revenues and program costs;

41 (8) other factors identified by the state board of regents.

42 (b) The first assessment shall be due in January, 2007, but the state
43 board of regents shall provide the governor and legislature with a report

1 of progress toward implementation of this section in January 2006.

2 (c) As used in this section, "postsecondary educational institution"
3 shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in K.S.A. 74-3201b and amend-
4 ments thereto.

5 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
6 publication in the statute book.