



HOUSE BILL No. 4264

February 1, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Llewellyn, McBryde, Goschka, Hammerstrom, Dalman, Brewer, Cropsey, Lowe, Hill, Jaye, Gernaat, Bobier, Law, Alley, Bodem, London and Pitoniak and referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

A bill to require institutions of higher education to prepare and distribute certain reports to certain persons; and to provide certain other powers and duties of those institutions.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "Michigan student right to know act".

3 Sec. 3. As used in this act, "institution of higher
4 education" or "institution" means a public or private
5 degree-granting college, community college, junior college, or
6 university located in this state that receives an appropriation
7 from the state or that enrolls students who receive student
8 financial aid from the state.

9 Sec. 5. (1) An institution of higher education shall
10 provide information regarding the institution's academic
11 performance, as prescribed in subsection (2), to each applicant

1 for admission at the time of acknowledgment of receipt of a
2 formal application for admission and at least annually to each
3 student enrolled in the institution. An institution also shall
4 include the academic performance information in its annual cata-
5 log, using the most recent information available. An institution
6 shall collect and analyze the necessary data to ensure that the
7 information provided is as accurate, complete, and timely as is
8 practicable.

9 (2) The academic performance information required under sub-
10 section (1) shall include at least all of the following:

11 (a) The number of undergraduate and graduate students
12 enrolled in the institution.

13 (b) For each undergraduate school or college in the institu-
14 tion that awards a baccalaureate degree and for each distinct
15 academic program within each undergraduate school or college in
16 the institution, the number and percentage over each of the imme-
17 diately preceding 5 years of undergraduate students who enrolled
18 as freshmen in the institution who graduated with a baccalaureate
19 degree within 4 years after initial enrollment and who graduated
20 with a baccalaureate degree within 5 years after initial
21 enrollment.

22 (c) For each graduate school or college in the institution,
23 and for each distinct academic program within each graduate
24 school or college in the institution, the number and percentage
25 over each of the immediately preceding 5 years of graduate stu-
26 dents who achieved their graduate degrees within the normal time
27 period for the particular graduate degree.

1 (d) For a community college or junior college or a college
2 or university that offers 1 or more associate degree programs,
3 and for each distinct 2-year academic program offered by the com-
4 munity college or junior college, the number and percentage over
5 each of the immediately preceding 5 years of students who
6 enrolled as freshmen who completed the degree requirements for an
7 associate's degree, or the requirements to transfer to a 4-year
8 institution as a junior, within 2 years after initial enrollment
9 and who completed the degree requirements for an associate's
10 degree, or the requirements to transfer to a 4-year institution
11 as a junior, within 3 years after initial enrollment.

12 (e) For each undergraduate school or college in the institu-
13 tion that awards a baccalaureate degree, and for each distinct
14 academic program within each undergraduate school or college in
15 the institution, the average number of academic years of enroll-
16 ment of a student before completion of degree requirements for a
17 baccalaureate degree, rounded to the nearest 1/2 year.

18 (f) For a community college or junior college, and for each
19 distinct academic or vocational program offered by the community
20 college or junior college, the average number of semesters or
21 terms of enrollment of a student before completion of require-
22 ments for an associate's degree or certificate, as applicable,
23 for the program.

24 (g) For each undergraduate school or college in the institu-
25 tion, and for each distinct academic program within each under-
26 graduate school or college in the institution, placement

1 statistics for the immediately preceding 5-year period that show
2 at least all of the following:

3 (i) Percentage of graduates who obtained employment within 6
4 months after graduating in an occupation directly related to his
5 or her major field of study.

6 (ii) Percentage of graduates who obtained other employment
7 within 6 months after graduating.

8 (iii) Percentage of graduates who enrolled within 6 months
9 after graduating in a program leading to a higher degree in a
10 graduate school or college.

11 (h) For each graduate school or college in the institution,
12 and for each distinct academic program within each graduate
13 school or college in the institution, placement statistics for
14 the immediately preceding 5-year period that show at least all of
15 the following:

16 (i) Percentage of those completing the graduate program who
17 obtained employment within 6 months after completing the graduate
18 program in an occupation directly related to his or her field of
19 study.

20 (ii) Percentage of those completing the graduate program who
21 obtained other employment within 6 months after completing the
22 graduate program.