

# Legislative Analysis

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## **REMOVE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE WITH SIX CONSECUTIVE UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

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**House Bill 4360**

**Sponsor: Rep. Steve Bieda**

**Committee: Higher Education and Career Preparation**

**Complete to 3-18-05**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4360 AS INTRODUCED 2-22-05**

House Bill 4360 would amend the Community College Act to allow for the removal of a member of board of trustees of a community college who failed to attend six consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of the board without a valid excuse. In such circumstances, the remaining members of the board could vote to remove the member by majority vote and could declare the office vacant, as of the date of the removal resolution.

The bill would take effect January 1, 2007.

The bill would define "valid excuse" to include medical incapacity, an out-of-state work commitment, or military service.

Currently under the law, the office of a member of a community college board of trustees becomes vacant immediately when an incumbent dies; is adjudicated insane or found mentally incompetent; resigns; is removed from office; is convicted of a felony; has the election or appointment declared void; refuses or neglects to file the acceptance of office, or to take and subscribe to the constitutional oath of office; and ceases to possess the legal qualifications. Under the bill, all of these provisions would be eliminated.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The bill would have no direct fiscal impact on state or local government.

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