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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to a tuition affordability project coordinated by  
2 the state board of regents.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. TUITION AFFORDABILITY PROJECT. The state board  
2 of regents shall coordinate, in cooperation with the bureau of  
3 community colleges of the department of education, the college  
4 student aid commission, the Iowa association of independent  
5 colleges and universities, the Iowa association of community  
6 college trustees, and the Iowa association of community  
7 college presidents, an effort to develop an instrument with  
8 which the regents universities, community colleges, and  
9 accredited private institutions can analyze institutional  
10 costs, student debt load and personal income, and the lifetime  
11 earning potential of graduates over a period of at least a  
12 decade. The purpose of the instrument shall be to gather data  
13 that the postsecondary institutions can use in developing a  
14 consistent and reliable tuition formula that sets a target  
15 percentage of the student share of costs and becomes the basis  
16 for the establishment of a plan that public postsecondary  
17 institutions shall use, and private postsecondary institutions  
18 may use, for gradual, deliberate tuition growth that furthers  
19 institutional preeminence while providing state residents with  
20 affordable postsecondary educational opportunities. The state  
21 board of regents shall submit its findings, recommendations,  
22 and proposals for implementation of the tuition formula in a  
23 report to the chairpersons and ranking members of the senate  
24 and house standing committees on education and the joint  
25 appropriations subcommittee on education on or before December  
26 15, 2002.

27 EXPLANATION

28 This bill directs the state board of regents to coordinate,  
29 in cooperate with the bureau of community colleges of the  
30 department of education, the college student aid commission,  
31 and associations representing the community colleges and the  
32 private educational institutions, an effort to develop an  
33 instrument with which the postsecondary institutions in this  
34 state can analyze their costs, student debt load and personal  
35 income, and the lifetime earning potential of graduates, as

1 compared to data from over 10 years.

2 The purpose of the instrument is to gather data for use in  
3 developing a tuition formula that becomes the basis for  
4 planned tuition growth while maintaining affordable  
5 educational opportunities for the citizens of Iowa. The state  
6 board must submit its findings, recommendations, and proposals  
7 for implementation of the tuition formula in a report to the  
8 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house  
9 standing committees on education and the joint appropriations  
10 subcommittee on education on or before December 15, 2002.

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