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House Bill 4008 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Bruce Caswell
House Committee: Higher Education and Career Preparation
Senate Committee: Education

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 251 of 1972, which provides for reciprocal tuition agreements between higher educational institutions in Michigan and other states, to do the following:

- Limit the duration of an agreement, or the renewal or extension of an agreement, to three years.
- Prohibit an agreement, renewal, or extension of an indefinite term, and prohibit the automatic renewal or extension of an agreement.
- Provide that the tuition rate for a student attending a community or junior college in Michigan under a reciprocal agreement would be the rate for in-State, out-of-district students.
- Require the renewal or extension of an agreement, as well as the agreement itself, to be approved by the Senate and House Appropriations Committees.
- Replace references to the State Board of Education with references to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

The Act defines "reciprocal agreement" as a contractual agreement permitting resident students of a designated state to be admitted to a public institution of higher education of another state at an agreed upon tuition rate less than normally charged nonresident students of that state. Under the bill, the term also would include a contractual agreement that renewed or extended an existing reciprocal agreement.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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