

HCS HB 777 -- STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION (Marsh)

This substitute renames Southwest Missouri State University as Missouri State University.

It increases the number of members of the Missouri State University's Board of Governors from eight to 10. The substitute also changes the name of Central Missouri State University to University of Central Missouri.

The substitute specifies that the name change of any higher education institution does not authorize the establishment of new degree programs by procedures other than those established by statute. It also restricts Missouri State University from duplicating the research, missions, professional doctoral programs, and existing first professional programs of the University of Missouri.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds.