

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 297, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting after said section and line the  
2 following:

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4 "161.625. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Students' Right to Know  
5 Act".

6 2. Beginning on January 1, 2022, to help each high school student make more informed  
7 decisions about the student's future and ensure that the student is adequately aware of the cost of  
8 four-year college and other alternative career paths, the department of higher education and  
9 workforce development shall collect and compile the following information on an annual basis:

10 (1) The most in-demand jobs in the state, including starting salary and education level  
11 required for such jobs;

12 (2) The average cost for each public institution of higher education and vocational school in  
13 the state;

14 (3) The average monthly student loan payment of all students in attendance at a public  
15 institution of higher education or vocational school in the state, for each public institution of higher  
16 education or vocational school in the state;

17 (4) The average three-year student loan default rate for each public institution of higher  
18 education and vocational school in the state;

19 (5) The average graduation rate for each public institution of higher education and  
20 vocational school in the state;

21 (6) The completion rates for apprenticeship programs, high school credential programs,  
22 career and technical education programs, and military first-term enlistments;

23 (7) The average starting salary for individuals graduating from each public institution of  
24 higher education in the state; and

25 (8) The average starting salary for individuals graduating from each vocational school in the  
26 state.

27 3. Each public institution of higher education and vocational school shall report to the  
28 department the information listed in subsection 2 of this section that relates to the particular  
29 institution. The department shall collect, compile, and add the information on the department's  
30 website. On or before October fifteenth of each year, the link and all relevant instruction material  
31 shall be distributed to the department of elementary and secondary education for dissemination to  
32 public high schools in the state for public distribution to students by school counselors.

33 4. The department may execute a memorandum of understanding with any department,  
34 agency, or division for information required to be collected by this section.

35 5. To comply with the requirements of this section, any public institution of higher  
36 education, vocational school and the department may use preexisting databases including, but not

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1 limited to, the College Scorecard operated by the United States Department of Education and  
2 MoJobs.

3 173.035. 1. The department of higher education and workforce development shall develop,  
4 maintain, and operate a website containing information of public ~~[and private]~~ institutions of higher  
5 education and vocational schools in this state directing students to resources including, but not  
6 limited to, academic programs, financial aid, ~~[and]~~ how academic course credit may be transferred  
7 from one institution of higher education to another, and information reported under section 161.625.  
8 The department may post information from a private institution of higher education if the private  
9 institution desires to report information as provided in this section or the department is authorized  
10 by any other state law to post the private institution's information on the website. The information  
11 on the website shall be made available to the public and shall be accessible from various devices  
12 including, but not limited to, computers, tablets, and other electronic communication devices.

13 2. ~~[Inclusion of institution information on the website is voluntary, and institutions of higher~~  
14 ~~education may elect to have institutional information included on the website by notifying the~~  
15 ~~department of higher education and workforce development]~~ Public institutions of higher education  
16 and vocational schools shall, and private institutions of higher education may, report all information  
17 listed in this section and any other information required by the department for posting on the  
18 website.

19 3. The department of higher education and workforce development may promulgate all  
20 necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule,  
21 as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section  
22 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536  
23 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the  
24 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
25 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of  
26 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and  
27 void."; and

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29 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
30 accordingly.