HB 2650 -- HIGHER EDUCATION (Haley)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Workforce and Infrastructure Development

This bill updates provisions of statute that relate to the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development and repeals statutes for outdated programs.

Changes throughout the bill include changing the "Division of Workforce Development in the Department of Economic Development" to the "Office of Workforce Development in the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development" to reflect the current governance.

The bill changes the currently named "Show-Me-Heroes" program to "Missouri Heroes Connect" (Section 620.515 RSMo).

The bill repeals the following statutes relating to:

(1) The "Career Readiness Course Task Force" (dually enacted) (Section 167.910);

(2) Graduate student teaching assignments (Section 170.012);

(3) The "Missouri Guaranteed Student Loan Program" and the "Lender of Last Resort Revolving Fund" (Sections 173.095 to 173.187);

(4) The "Vietnam Veteran's Survivor Grant" which expired in 2015 (Section 173.236);

(5) The "Marguerite Ross Barnett Competitiveness Scholarship Program" (Section 173.262);

(6) The pilot project "International Economic Development Exchange Program and the Advisory Council" (Sections 173.264 and 173.265);

(7) Higher education faculty hiring practices (Section 173.475);

(8) The "Advantage Missouri Program" (Sections 173.775 to 173.796); and

(9) The "Missouri Youth Service and Conservation Corps Act" and the "Youth Service and Conservation Corps Fund" (Sections 620.552 to 620.574).