

Amend CSHB 3790 (House Committee Report) by adding the following at the end of SECTION 1 of the bill (page 12, between lines 7 and 8):

Sec. 61.9807. FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF INCENTIVE FUNDS BASED ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT DATA; REPORT. (a) The board shall conduct a study to determine the feasibility of using student achievement data as criteria for the distribution of incentive funds to institutions of higher education. The board's study may include an evaluation of:

- (1) the types of student achievement data available;
- (2) differences in degree programs and student achievement data across degree programs;
- (3) differences in student achievement data across types of institutions of higher education;
- (4) standards for measuring student achievement; and
- (5) any other factors the board considers appropriate.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2010, the board shall submit to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officer of each legislative standing committee with primary jurisdiction over higher education a written report regarding the board's findings under the study.

(c) This section expires September 1, 2011.