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TO: Honorable Brandon Creighton, Chair, Senate Committee on Education K-16

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2081 by Bucy (Relating to the establishment of the Building Better Futures Program to support educational and occupational skills training opportunities and support services for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities at public and private institutions of higher education.), **As Engrossed**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined due to the unavailability of data related to the number of institutions that would be eligible to receive awards and any grant amounts that would be awarded.

The bill would create the Building Better Futures Program that would be administered by the Higher Education Coordinating Board (Board). The Board would awards funds under the program only to eligible institutions to be used by institutions to facilitate the delivery of education and occupational skills training opportunities and support services for students participating the program. The Board would be required to draft rules regarding eligibility criteria and guidelines for grant amounts.

It is assumed that any costs associated with administering the program could be absorbed using existing resources. The fiscal impact cannot be determined but would be dependent on how many institutions would be eligible for awards, funding available for grant awards, and any grant amounts that would be awarded.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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