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<u>SB 1065</u>: private postsecondary education board; fees Sponsor: Senator Shope, LD 8 Transmitted to the Governor

<u>Overview</u>

Modifies the fees the State Board for Private Postsecondary Education (Board) is to charge applicants for specified licenses. Contains a Proposition 108 clause.

<u>History</u>

The Board is responsible for licensing and regulating private postsecondary educational institutions that operate vocational and degree programs. Specifically, statute tasks the Board with establishing minimums standards for private vocational program licensure and considering applications for private vocational program licenses and licenses to grant degrees. Statute details the requirements an applicant for these licenses must meet (A.R.S. §§ <u>32-3021</u>, <u>32-3022</u>).

The Board is to collect nonrefundable fees from applicants and existing institutions. These fees include:

- 1) A filing fee for an original private vocational program license or license to grant degrees;
- An annual renewal fee for an applicant holding one or more private vocational program and degree granting licenses;
- A supplemental application fee for licensure of a new or an additional vocational program or degree program, licensure of an additional location or change of location and for a change of ownership of an educational institution offering private vocational programs or granting degrees;
- 4) A fee for an on-site verification, inspection or investigation; and
- 5) A late renewal fee.

The Board may also charge a \$10 processing fee for a student record request, as well as a 25 cent per page copying charge (A.R.S. § 32-3027). 10% of these fees and other revenues received by the Board must be deposited in the state General Fund and the remaining 90% are to be deposited in the Board Fund (A.R.S. § 32-3004).

Provisions

- 1. Removes the \$800 cap for the filing fee for an original private vocational program license or license to grant degrees. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Establishes the following filing fee for any combination of an initial and original private vocational program license or license to grant degrees:
 - a) \$2,000 for up to and including five program reviews;
 - b) \$100 each for a sixth and subsequent program review. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Caps the total filing fee for any combination of an initial and original private vocational program license or license to grant degrees at \$5,000. (Sec. 1)

□ Prop 105 (45 votes) □ Prop 108 (40 votes) □ Emergency (40 votes) □ Fiscal Note

- 4. Increases the annual renewal fee caps for an applicant holding one or more private vocational program and degree granting licenses as follows:
 - a) For an applicant with less than \$50,000 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$600 to \$750;
 - b) For an applicant with \$50,000 to \$249,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$750 to \$975;
 - c) For an applicant with \$250,000 to \$499,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$1,000 to \$1,375;
 - d) For an applicant with \$500,000 to \$999,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$1,300 to \$1,800;
 - e) For an applicant with \$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$1,650 to \$2,300;
 - f) For an applicant with \$2,500,000 to \$6,999,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$2,000 to \$2,750;
 - g) For an applicant with \$7,000,000 to \$9,999,999 annual gross tuition revenue, from \$2,300 to \$3,100;
 - h) For an applicant with \$10,000,000 to \$13,999,999 annual gross tuition revenue, \$4,200;
 - i) For an applicant with \$14,000,000 to \$19,999,999 annual gross tuition revenue, \$5,000; and
 - j) For an applicant with \$20,000,000 or more annual gross tuition revenue, \$6,000. (Sec. 1)
- Increases the supplemental application fee cap for a change in ownership of an educational institution offering private vocational programs or granting degrees from \$500 to \$2,000. (Sec. 1)
- 6. Eliminates the ability for the Board to charge a 25 cent per page copying charge for a student record request. (Sec. 1)
- 7. Contains a Proposition 108 clause. (Sec. 1)
- 8. Makes technical changes. (Sec. 1)