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Committee: Education

A BILL

FOR AN ACT relating to the Postsecondary Institution Act; to amend section 85-2405, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

2012; to provide for interstate reciprocity agreements regarding postsecondary distance education; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 85-2405, Revised Statutes Cumulative

- 2 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
- 3 85-2405 The commission has the following powers and
- 4 duties:
- 5 (1) To establish levels for recurrent authorizations to
- 6 operate based on institutional offerings;
- 7 (2) To receive, investigate as it may deem necessary, and
- 8 act upon applications for a recurrent authorization to operate and
- 9 applications to renew a recurrent authorization to operate;
- 10 (3) To establish reporting requirements by campus
- 11 location either through the federal Integrated Postsecondary
- 12 Education Data System, 20 U.S.C. 1094(a)(17), as such section existed
- 13 on January 1, 2011, and 34 C.F.R. 668.14(b)(19), as such regulation
- 14 existed on January 1, 2011, or directly to the commission for any
- 15 postsecondary institution which has an authorization to operate;
- 16 (4) To maintain a list of postsecondary institutions
- 17 which have authorization to operate, which <u>list</u>shall be made
- 18 available to the public;
- 19 <u>(5) To enter into interstate reciprocity agreements</u>
- 20 regarding the provision of postsecondary distance education, to
- 21 <u>administer such agreements, to approve or disapprove applications to</u>
- 22 participate in such agreements from postsecondary institutions that
- 23 have their principal place of business in Nebraska, and to accept or
- 24 reject authorizations granted by another state to deliver
- 25 postsecondary distance education pursuant to such agreements;

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1 $\frac{(5)}{(6)}$ To establish a notification process when a

- 2 postsecondary institution which has an authorization to operate
- 3 changes its address or adds instructional sites within this state;
- 4 $\frac{(6)}{(7)}$ To conduct site visits of postsecondary
- 5 institutions to carry out the Postsecondary Institution Act;
- 6 $\frac{(7)}{(8)}$ To establish fees for applications for a
- 7 recurrent authorization to operate, $\frac{1}{2}$ applications to renew $\frac{1}{2}$
- 8 <u>modify</u> a recurrent authorization to operate, <u>and applications to</u>
- 9 participate in an interstate postsecondary distance education
- 10 <u>reciprocity agreement, which fees</u> shall be not more than the cost of
- 11 reviewing and evaluating the applications;
- 12 $\frac{(8)}{(9)}$ To investigate any violations of the act by a
- 13 postsecondary institution; and
- (9) To adopt and promulgate rules, regulations, and
- 15 procedures to administer the act.
- 16 Sec. 2. Original section 85-2405, Revised Statutes
- 17 Cumulative Supplement, 2012, is repealed.