

HOUSE BILL 168: College Advising Corps Expansion/Funds.

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OVERVIEW: HB 168 would provide recurring funding for the College Advising Corps to expand the program to provide college advisors to high schools in all 100 counties of the State.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Funding: HB 168 would provide the following funding to the College Advising Corps (CAC), a nonprofit that provides college advising in public schools with a focus on increasing the number of underrepresented, low-income, or first-generation postsecondary degree or certificate students completing postsecondary education:

- 2019-2020: \$2,283,133 in recurring funding.
- 2020-2021: An additional \$366,667 in recurring funding, for a total recurring funding of \$2,550,000.
- 2021-2022: HB 168 expresses the intent to also appropriate an additional \$283,333 in recurring funding in 2021-2022, for a total recurring funding of \$2,833,333 for subsequent fiscal years.

Match Requirements: CAC would be required to match each \$1.00 in State funds with \$2.00 in non-State funds.

Use of Funds: CAC would be required to use the funds as follows:

- Expand its program to place college advisors in all 100 counties. In the first two years of expansion, CAC would be required to place advisors in Tier 1 and Tier 2 counties, and in the third year, expand to all counties by placing in Tier 3 counties.
- Select at least three additional postsecondary institutions as partners to increase the number of recent graduates working as near-peer college advisors to meet the needs of the expansion.
- Use funds to continue the mission of increasing access for public school students to postsecondary degree attainment, once the CAC has placed college advisors in all 100 counties.

Reporting: CAC would be required to report by June 1 annually of each year in which CAC spends State funds to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and Fiscal Research Division on the progress of expanding the placement of college advisors, data on effectiveness of the program in increasing access for students to postsecondary education, and use of State funds.

EFFECTIVE DATE: HB 168 would become effective July 1, 2019.

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