HB 2537 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows districts to use student success funds for payment of student fees, costs, and instructors for career and technical student organizations. Requires counselors or mentors be assigned to students entering career and technical education programs.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Career and technical student organizations
- Benefits to student of membership in CTSOs
- Inability of some students to pay fees

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Removes provisions relating to counselors and mentors.

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

BACKGROUND:

Career and technical student organizations are organizations that teach students about careers in certain industry sectors. There are 11 not-for-profit career and technical student organizations specifically authorized by Congress in the Perkins Act. House Bill 2537 allows school districts to use student success funds to pay for membership fees and other costs associated with career and technical student organizations, and requires mentors be assigned to students entering career and technical education programs.