388.1868 North American Indian tuition waiver costs; report; information to be provided by public university; consolidated report.

Sec. 268. (1) For the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, it is the intent of the legislature that funds be allocated for unfunded North American Indian tuition waiver costs incurred by public universities under 1976 PA 174, MCL 390.1251 to 390.1253, from the general fund.

(2) By February 15 of each year, the department of civil rights shall annually submit to the state budget director, the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, and the house and senate fiscal agencies a report on North American Indian tuition waivers for the preceding academic year that includes, but is not limited to, all of the following information:

(a) The number of waiver applications received and the number of waiver applications approved.

(b) For each university submitting information under subsection (3), all of the following:

(i) The number of graduate and undergraduate North American Indian students enrolled each term for the previous academic year.

(ii) The number of North American Indian waivers granted each term, including to continuing education students, and the monetary value of the waivers for the previous academic year.

(iii) The number of graduate and undergraduate students attending under a North American Indian tuition waiver who withdrew from the university each term during the previous academic year. For purposes of this subparagraph, a withdrawal occurs when a student who has been awarded the waiver withdraws from the institution at any point during the term, regardless of enrollment in subsequent terms.

(iv) The number of graduate and undergraduate students attending under a North American Indian tuition waiver who successfully complete a degree or certificate program, separated by degree or certificate level, and the graduation rate for graduate and undergraduate students attending under a North American Indian tuition waiver who complete a degree or certificate within 150% of the normal time to complete, separated by the level of the degree or certificate.

(3) A public university that receives funds under section 236 shall provide to the department of civil rights any information necessary for preparing the report detailed in subsection (2), using guidelines and procedures developed by the department of civil rights.

(4) The department of civil rights may consolidate the report required under this section with the report required under section 223, but a consolidated report must separately identify data for universities and data for community colleges.