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Missouri House Passes Changes to State's Higher Education Core Curriculum Transfer Act

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri House has passed HB 2310, a bill aimed at revolutionizing credit transfer policies within the state's public institutions of higher education. This legislation, championed by State Representative Cameron Parker, has garnered widespread support for its commitment to ensuring students' earned credit hours are honored and for streamlining the transfer process.

HB 2310 mandates the creation of a 60 credit hour transferable lower-division courses and common course numbering equivalency matrix by the coordinating board, paving the way for seamless credit transfer among institutions. Under this bill, successfully completed transferable lower-division courses at one public institution can be substituted for core curriculum courses in the same degree program at another institution, saving students time and money.

Upon the passage of the bill, Representative Cameron Parker, R-Campbell, remarked, "This is a significant step forward in supporting Missouri students. HB 2310 will empower students by providing them with a clear pathway to transfer credits seamlessly between institutions. No longer will they face unnecessary hurdles or financial burdens due to inconsistent credit transfer policies. This legislation is a win for students, for our educational institutions, and for the future of our state."

House Speaker Dean Plocher also expressed his support, stating, "Missouri offers a robust secondary education portfolio, from community and junior colleges to world renowned universities. By standardizing credit transfer policies, we are fostering a more efficient and affordable learning environment for all Missouri students."

With its passage in the House, HB 2310 now moves to the Senate for further consideration.

Cameron Bunting Parker, a Republican, represents Dunklin County, the southern portion of Pemiscot County, and southwestern Butler County (District 150) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2022. For more information, please contact Rep. Parker's office at 573-751-3629 or via email at Cameron.Parker@House.Mo.Gov.

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