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AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; REQUIRING PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO ACCEPT FOR CREDIT PASSING SCORES ON

THE COLLEGE BOARD ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS; REQUIRING

THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO REPORT INSTITUTIONAL

ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLICIES TO THE LEGISLATURE AND THE

GOVERNOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] STATEWIDE ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLICY.--

A. Beginning with the 2018-2019 academic year, public post-secondary educational institutions shall accept a score of 3 or higher on the advanced placement examination for post-secondary level course credit. Institutions that offer a corresponding course for a particular advanced placement

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examination as a part of their general education degree requirements shall accept a score of 3 or higher on the advanced placement examination for course credit as part of their general education degree requirements. If an institution does not offer a corresponding course for a particular advanced placement examination, the institution shall award, at a minimum, elective post-secondary level course credit for those students who receive a score of 3 or higher on that advanced placement examination.

- B. Each public post-secondary educational institution shall determine the score for each advanced placement examination for the institution to grant credit for a course. Each institution shall publish on its website its updated course-granting policy for advanced placement in accordance with the requirements of this subsection before the beginning of the 2018-2019 academic year.
- C. The higher education department, in cooperation with all public post-secondary educational institutions, shall collect and report the course-granting policy for advanced placement of each institution and the research used by each institution to determine the level of credit and the number of credits provided for the advanced placement examination scores and file a report that includes findings and recommendations to the legislature and the governor. Each institution shall provide the department with all necessary data, in accordance

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with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, to allow the department to conduct its analysis.

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