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LR 239

record, budget submission, does that mean that there would be one budget for all of higher education, or would each entity have their own separate budget or would there just be one budget for postsecondary education?

SENATOR WARNER: The intent is identical as it was in LB 1141, that the budget submission would come from now the Coordinating Commission which would be a single request. However, it would be by campus, obviously, and it is silent on how it would be appropriated back to the campuses, whether it would be lump sum or...as we argued or discussed, I should say, 1141, whether it would be a lump sum or by campus would be something the Legislature could do, but the submission of the budget requests from all campuses would come through the Coordinating Commission.

SENATOR BAACK: So as we appropriate, as we would appropriate the money, we would appropriate just a sum of money to the commission and then they would send it out or would we appropriate to each entity?

SENATOR WARNER: This would be no different than the discussion we had under LR 239. The submission of the budget would be from the Coordinating Commission for all of higher education, but I would anticipate that the appropriation bill, for example, would be by campus because that would be the manner in which the request would come to us in any event. The detailed papers of any budget of any agency is broke up in many, many pages and we deal with it in many, many pages and that part could certainly be determined by the Legislature as to which way they wanted to do it. As I argued the other day on that issue, it is really immaterial to me whether you...whether we decide to do a lump sum or if we do a lump sum for informational purposes or by campus, it all comes down to the same difference, I believe.

SENATOR BAACK: Okay, now just a little follow-up on that. As...now say that one of these, that one of the campuses would submit a budget to this commission, would this commission have the right to change that budget?

SENATOR WARNER: Would they do what?

SENATOR BAACK: Would they have the right to change that budget?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.