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PLEASE SUPPORT

Senate File 111

BUSINESS CAN'T WAIT...

We need additional workers now!

Non Supporters of SF111 and applied baccalaureate degrees at our community colleges will tell you that:

- “This is going too fast”
- “This should be an interim study”
- “It will cost Wyoming too much”
- “We can do this other ways”

THAT IS THE WRONG FOCUS AND THE WRONG CONVERSATION.

SF111 & APPLIED BACHELOR’S DEGREES ARE COMMON SENSE, business based solutions that will provide options for higher education students in WY:

- They will serve populations of Wyoming residents that aren’t currently being served – people in your communities.
- These are workforce development degrees that fit the community college mission and are most efficiently and effectively delivered by community colleges.
- The Community Colleges are equipped to assist student populations with more options to achieve a Applied Bachelor’s degree.
- The private sector, business, and economic development groups across Wyoming have a proven track record of working closely with the community colleges to ensure workforce needs are met by industrial sectors.

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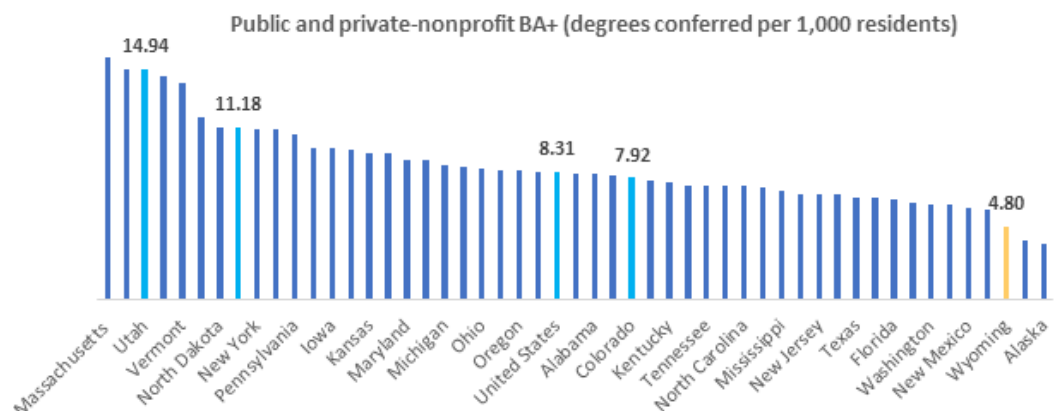
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WHAT IS THE HARM IN STUDYING THE CONCEPT OF BAS OFFERED AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES?

1. Wyoming ranks 48th in the nation for bachelor's degrees produced per 1,000 people (we are only ahead of Nevada and Alaska).
2. To get to the national average, we would need to double our production – generating approximately 2,000 more bachelor's degrees each year.
3. Even if all seven of Wyoming's community colleges offer applied bachelor's degrees, we would be fortunate to generate only 500 graduates every year. We have ground to catch up on!
4. This leaves 1,500 other bachelor's degree graduates that we have to find a way to add, just to be "average" in Wyoming.

WYOMING RANKS 48TH IN THE NATION FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREE PRODUCTION PER 1,000 RESIDENTS (4.80)



The University of Wyoming (UW) graduates about 2,204 students. In 2017, 26.2% of Wyoming's adult population held a bachelor's degree.

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