

**PROGRAM OF WORK--FISCAL YEAR 1996-97
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

- (1) Development of a new State Plan for higher education, pursuant to legislation which requires an update every five years.
- (2) Convene a Student Aid Advisory Committee to assist in the Commission's review, refinement and revisions as may be warranted to the need-based and merit-based student aid programs enacted by the 1996 Session of the General Assembly. Recommendations must be presented to the General assembly.
- (3) As required by Act 359 of 1996, the Commission will begin the process of defining "minimum academic expectations for prospective postsecondary students" which are ultimately to be communicated to the State Board of Education with a process developed to ensure that these expectations are met.
- (4) Development and implementation of the Faculty Component on the CHE Management Information System (proposal presently pending before the Committee on Planning and Assessment).
- (5) Devise a plan for implementation of tuition recovery fund for licensed institutions, pursuant to authorizing legislation.
- (6) Support the development of performance funding plans as called for in Act 359, including the work of the Indicator Task Forces, the Sector Committee, and the Steering Committee.

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