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Meeting: Business, Finance and Facilities Committee, November 30, 2023

Agenda Item: 7 & 8 Self-Supporting Budgets Reports

In Favor / Opposed / Other: No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

Comment:

The Self-Supporting Budgets Report are unfortunately essentially meaningless. The format was changed to avoid lengthy reports about many small accounts. Now only accounts over \$250K in expenditures are included. But details about those accounts have also been eliminated, there's only a summary for each major budget. What do those numbers mean? Any account less than \$250K is not included at all in the sums. There are 1000s of smaller accounts that are not included in the top-line totals. A whole lot is not included; a whole lot can be hidden.

Holding the institutions accountable for their revenue and spending is a key fiduciary duty of the Board of Regents.

Supporters of SJR7 complain about lack of accountability at NSHE. Being more transparent would be a good step and help convince legislators that NSHE does not have plenty of available money.

Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes

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