



HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill:	HF 2337/HF 2091	House Committee: Passed on 2/4 (17-6)
Committee:	Education	House Floor:
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Staff:	Kristin Rozeboom (1-3015)	

Fraudulent Academic Credentials

- A person who falsely represents oneself as possessing an academic degree or credentials for purposes of obtaining employment is guilty of a class D felony.
- Fiscal Note: Correctional impact of the bill cannot be determined because the number of new convictions cannot be estimated.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1. Section 714.8 New Subsection

Adds falsely represents oneself as possessing an academic degree or academic credentials for the purpose of obtaining employment or other personal gain as a fraudulent practice.

Section 2. Section 714.10(1) New Paragraph

Adds the above as a fraudulent practice in the second degree (Class D felony), which is punishable by no more than 5 years confinement and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245.

Amendment Analysis

H-8074 by Madison—adds the words “knowingly and with intent” before falsely represents oneself.

H-8178 by Fisher—Strikes Class D felony language.