After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB20-1240 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 6, strike lines 6 and 7 and substitute "NECESSARY TO DIRECT THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION TO CONVENE AN EARLY COLLEGE POLICY DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE".

Page 6, strike lines 15 and 16.

Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

Page 6, after line 19 insert:

"(2) "COMMISSIONER" MEANS THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION APPOINTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION."

Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

Page 7, strike lines 8 through 27 and substitute:

"(7) "TASK FORCE" MEANS THE EARLY COLLEGE POLICY DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE CONVENED BY THE COMMISSIONER PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-35.3-203.

22-35.3-203. Early college policy development task force.

(1) NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2020, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL CONVENE THE EARLY COLLEGE POLICY DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE. THE TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS OF:

(a) THE COMMISSIONER OR THE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE;
(b) The Executive Director of the Department of Higher Education or the Executive Director's designee; and
(c) The following individuals selected by the Commissioner:
   (I) Individuals who are serving on the Education Leadership Council;
   (II) Two teachers employed in public schools in Colorado, at least one of whom holds a license issued pursuant to Section 22-60.5-201, who both have experience in concurrent enrollment programming; and
   (III) Two school district administrators who both have experience in concurrent enrollment programming.

Strike page 8.

Page 9, strike lines 1 and 2.

Renumber succeeding subsections accordingly.

Page 9, line 3, before the first "The", insert "The Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee shall serve as chair of the task force."

Page 9, line 17, strike "Advisory group" and substitute "Task force".

Page 10, strike lines 14 through 18.

Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.

Page 11, after line 3 insert:

"(2) In completing its duties, the task force shall solicit input from employers that work with P-TECH schools, teachers who work in early college programs or P-TECH schools, and representatives of school districts, charter schools, boards of cooperative services, and postsecondary institutions from around the state who have expertise in early college programs and P-TECH schools."

Renumber succeeding subsection accordingly.

Page 11, after line 22 insert:

"22-35.3-206. Early college programs - funding. (1) Beginning
IN THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR, A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-35-103, MAY ENROLL A STUDENT FOR A FIFTH YEAR OF PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER’S EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM IF THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-35-103, RECEIVES SUFFICIENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES IN THE FORM OF GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, OR FUNDING THROUGH THE STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-3.3-102 TO PAY FOR THE STUDENT’S TUITION, FEES, BOOKS, AND MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM. THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER SHALL NOT INCLUDE THE FIFTH-YEAR STUDENT IN THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER’S PUPIL ENROLLMENT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-54-103.

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER IF:

(a) THE FIFTH-YEAR STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN THE ACCELERATING STUDENTS THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-35-108;

(b) THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER IS A P-TECH SCHOOL; OR

(c) SECTION 22-54-103 (10)(g) APPLIES TO THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER.

Page 11, line 23, strike "22-35.3-206." and substitute "22-35.3-207.".

Page 12, lines 4 and 5, strike "PROGRAMS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-35.3-202, AND PROVIDING" and substitute "PROGRAMS OR P-TECH SCHOOLS OR IN PROVIDING OTHER".

Page 13, line 11, strike "NEED." and substitute "NEED OR APPLICANTS THAT PROVIDED PROGRAMS THAT WERE DESIGNATED AS EARLY COLLEGES BY THE STATE BOARD AS OF JUNE 6, 2018, BUT FOR WHICH THE DESIGNATION WAS SUBJECT TO REVIEW AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-35-103 (10)(b).".

Page 13, line 14, strike "TWO" and substitute "THREE".

Page 13, line 16, strike "SECTION." and substitute "SECTION, AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT AWARD GRANTS FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1.5) OF THIS SECTION FROM MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION THAT IS IN
ADDITION TO THE MONEY APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION
(4)(b.5)."

Page 13, strike lines 17 through 27.

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 14, after line 14 insert:

"SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-3.3-102, amend
(3) as follows:

23-3.3-102. Assistance program authorized - procedure -
audits. (3) (a) Each state institution shall administer a financial
assistance program according to policies and procedures established by
the governing board of the institution. Each private institution of higher
education, as defined in section 23-18-102 (9), that participates in the
program of financial assistance established pursuant to this section shall
administer a financial assistance program according to policies and
procedures established by the governing board of the institution. Each
participating nonpublic institution that is not a private institution of
higher education shall administer a financial assistance program
according to policies and procedures established by the commission. Each
institution shall fund its assistance program using state money allocated to the institution and institutional money.

(b) An eligible institution that intends to use state money
to provide financial assistance to a student who is enrolled in
high school and enrolled in one or more postsecondary courses
for postsecondary course credit must submit an affirmation of
intent to the department of higher education on or before July
1 of the academic year in which the institution intends to provide
the financial assistance. In the affirmation of intent, the
institution shall confirm that it will award financial assistance
only to such students who demonstrate financial need based on
eligibility for free or reduced-price meals pursuant to the
federal "Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act", 42
U.S.C. sec. 1751 et seq., or based on information provided in the
student’s completed free application for federal student aid.".

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Strike "ADVISORY GROUP" and substitute "TASK FORCE" on: Page 9, lines
3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 13, 15, 17 and 18, and 24; **Page 10**, line 4; and **Page 11**, lines 4, 11 and 12, 20, and 21 and 22.

Page 1, line 102, strike "COURSES, AND, IN" and substitute "COURSES.".

Page 1, strike lines 103 and 104.

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