CHAPTER 108

EDUCATION - POSTSECONDARY

HOUSE BILL 14-1136

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Primavera, Holbert, Fischer, Hullinghorst, Labuda, Schafer, Young; also SENATOR(S) Todd. Crowder. Heath. Kerr. Carroll.

AN ACT

CONCERNING EXEMPTING A CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM THAT IS APPROVED BY A STATE PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD FROM REGULATION BY THE DIVISION OF PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-59-104, **amend** (1) (i) and (1) (q); and **add** (1) (r) as follows:

- **12-59-104. Exemptions.** (1) The following educational institutions and educational services are exempt from the provisions of this article:
- (i) Education offered by a bona fide trade, business, professional, or fraternal organization solely for that PRIMARILY BENEFITS THE organization's membership OR MISSION;
- (q) A private educational institution that is accredited by an agency recognized by the United States department of education, that confers post-graduate degrees, and that offers programs or courses that are not defined as occupational education pursuant to section 12-59-103 (8.5); AND
- (r) A continuing professional education program that meets the requirements for maintaining or renewing a professional license issued by a Colorado state professional licensing entity so long as the continuing professional education program or the organization that provides the program is approved by the Colorado state professional licensing entity either before or after a licensee attends the program. To qualify for the exemption created in this paragraph (r), a continuing professional education program must be consistent with the purposes or

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES THE PROGRAM.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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