

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Education.

HB20-1002 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 3, strike lines 12 through 27.

2 Strike pages 4 through 8 and substitute:

3 **"SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 23-5-145.5 as
4 follows:

5 **23-5-145.5. Credit for work-related experience - plan - report**

6 **- definitions - repeal.** (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE
7 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

8 (a) "COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION" OR "COMMISSION" HAS
9 THE SAME MEANING SET FORTH IN SECTION 23-1-101.1 (1).

10 (b) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE COUNCIL CREATED AND EXISTING
11 PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-1-108.5, CONVENED BY THE COMMISSION ON
12 HIGHER EDUCATION.

13 (c) "GUARANTEED-TRANSFER PATHWAYS" OR "GT PATHWAYS"
14 MEANS THE STATEWIDE ARTICULATION MATRIX SYSTEM OF COMMON
15 COURSE NUMBERING FOR GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES DESCRIBED IN
16 SECTION 23-1-108.5 (3)(c).

17 (d) "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION" OR "INSTITUTION"
18 HAS THE SAME MEANING SET FORTH IN SECTION 23-1-135 (2).

19 (e) "STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER AGREEMENT" MEANS A
20 STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER AGREEMENT DESCRIBED IN SECTION
21 23-1-108 (7).

22 (f) "WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE" MEANS ANY EXPERIENCE
23 ACQUIRED WITHIN THE PAST TEN YEARS THROUGH PAID OR UNPAID
24 EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SELF-EMPLOYMENT, AN
25 INTERNSHIP, A RESIDENCY, A PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, OR AN
26 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM THAT MAY LEAD TO OR RESULT IN A BUSINESS
27 CREDENTIAL, AN INDUSTRY CREDENTIAL, A TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE, OR
28 A PROFESSIONAL LICENSE.

29 (2) (a) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2020, THE COMMISSION, IN
30 CONSULTATION WITH ALL STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION,
31 SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS FOR STUDENTS TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR ANY
32 COURSE IN THE UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM THROUGH SUCCESSFUL
33 COMPLETION OF A PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT,
34 EXAMINATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF THAT IS APPROPRIATE TO
35 THE LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE.

36 (b) BEGINNING IN THE 2020-21 ACADEMIC YEAR, EACH
37 INSTITUTION SHALL GRANT FULL COURSE CREDIT TO A STUDENT FOR A COURSE THAT THE STUDENT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THROUGH THE
38 REQUIRED PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT,

1 EXAMINATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF FREE OF TUITION. ANY
2 COURSE CREDIT GRANTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (2) MUST BE
3 TRANSFERABLE TO ANOTHER INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO COMMISSION
4 POLICY REGARDING GT PATHWAYS OR A STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER
5 AGREEMENT.

6 (c) AN INSTITUTION MAY ESTABLISH AND CHARGE A FEE TO A
7 STUDENT TO ADMINISTER A PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL
8 ASSESSMENT, EXAMINATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF. A FEE MUST
9 BE TRANSPARENT AND REFLECT THE ACTUAL COST TO ADMINISTER A
10 PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT, EXAMINATION, OR ANY
11 COMBINATION THEREOF, INCLUDING FACULTY OR STAFF TIME AND
12 RESOURCES, AND ANY APPROPRIATELY AMORTIZED INFRASTRUCTURE
13 COST.

14 (d) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2021, AND ON OR BEFORE EACH JULY 1
15 THEREAFTER, EACH INSTITUTION SHALL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION
16 REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SUBSECTION (2). THE REPORT
17 MUST INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM:

18 (I) THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO WERE AWARDED CREDIT AND
19 TRANSFERRED CREDIT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (2);

20 (II) DATA REGARDING THE AGE AND DEMOGRAPHICS OF STUDENTS
21 WHO WERE AWARDED CREDIT AND TRANSFERRED CREDIT TO OR FROM THE
22 INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (2); AND

23 (III) THE FEE ESTABLISHED AND CHARGED BY THE INSTITUTION, IF
24 ANY, TO ADMINISTER A PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT,
25 EXAMINATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF PURSUANT TO THIS
26 SUBSECTION (2).

27 (3) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2022, THE COUNCIL, IN
28 COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMISSION, SHALL CREATE, ADOPT, AND
29 IMPLEMENT A PLAN, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "PLAN", TO
30 AWARD POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR COURSES IN GT
31 PATHWAYS OR A STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR
32 LEARNING DEMONSTRATED FROM WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE. IN
33 CREATING THE PLAN, PRIORITY MAY BE GIVEN TO WORK-RELATED
34 EXPERIENCE THAT IS RESPONSIVE TO WORKFORCE DEMANDS AND GROWING
35 INDUSTRIES IDENTIFIED BY THE MOST RECENT COLORADO TALENT PIPELINE
36 REPORT PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-46.3-103 OR IDENTIFIED IN
37 CONSULTATION WITH THE COLORADO WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT
38 COUNCIL IN SECTION 24-46.3-101.

39 (4) THE PLAN MUST INCLUDE:

40 (a) A PROCESS FOR ASSESSING AND ALIGNING WORK-RELATED
41 EXPERIENCE TO THE KNOWLEDGE AND COMPETENCIES REQUIRED FOR
42 AWARDING POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR COURSES IN GT
43 PATHWAYS OR A STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER AGREEMENT, WHICH
44 CREDIT GRANTED MUST BE TRANSFERABLE TO ANOTHER INSTITUTION
45 PURSUANT TO COMMISSION POLICY REGARDING GT PATHWAYS OR A

1 STATEWIDE DEGREE TRANSFER AGREEMENT; AND
2 (b) A PROCESS FOR EVALUATING CREDENTIALS EARNED BY A
3 STUDENT AT AN AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURSUANT TO SECTION
4 23-60-802 AND DETERMINING HOW POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC CREDIT
5 WILL TRANSFER FROM AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGES, IF APPROPRIATE, TO
6 PUBLIC TWO-YEAR AND FOUR-YEAR STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
7 EDUCATION.

8 (5) THE COUNCIL, IN CREATING THE PLAN, SHALL CONSULT WITH:
9 (a) REPRESENTATIVES OF INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT
10 LIMITED TO, FACULTY MEMBERS AND REGISTRARS;

11 (b) REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENT
12 STUDENTS IN COLORADO;

13 (c) REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COLORADO WORK FORCE
14 DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL;

15 (d) REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRIES WITH HIGH WORKFORCE
16 DEMAND AND GROWING INDUSTRIES IDENTIFIED IN THE MOST RECENT
17 COLORADO TALENT PIPELINE REPORT AND ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING
18 THEM; AND

19 (e) REPRESENTATIVES SELECTED BY THE COMMISSION.

20 (6) UPON COMPLETION OF THE PLAN, THE COUNCIL, IN
21 COLLABORATION WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
22 (5) OF THIS SECTION, SHALL CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARD EXPANDING
23 OPPORTUNITIES FOR AWARDING POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR
24 LEARNING ACQUIRED FROM WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE NOT OTHERWISE
25 ADDRESSED IN THIS SECTION.

26 (7) BEGINNING IN THE 2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR, UNLESS THE PLAN
27 IS IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE 2022-23 ACADEMIC
28 YEAR, AN INSTITUTION SHALL ACCEPT IN AND TRANSFER WITHIN THE
29 INSTITUTION AND TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC
30 CREDIT AWARDED FOR WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR A COURSE THAT
31 IS GT PATHWAYS DESIGNATED OR PART OF A STATEWIDE DEGREE
32 TRANSFER AGREEMENT.

33 (8) (a) DURING THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE
34 SEVENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 2022, THE DEPARTMENT OF
35 HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL REPORT TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF
36 THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
37 COMMITTEES, REGARDING THE CREATION, ADOPTION, AND
38 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

39 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (8) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022.

40 (9) (a) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2024, AND ON OR BEFORE MARCH
41 1 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COUNCIL SHALL REPORT TO THE
42 EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF
43 REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, REGARDING THE
44 CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION. THE REPORT MUST
45 INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM:

1 (I) THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO WERE AWARDED CREDITS AND
2 WHO TRANSFERRED CREDITS TO OR FROM AN INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO
3 THIS SECTION;

4 (II) DATA REGARDING THE AGE AND DEMOGRAPHICS OF STUDENTS
5 WHO WERE AWARDED CREDITS AND WHO TRANSFERRED CREDITS TO OR
6 FROM AN INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

7 (III) THE IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES OF THIS SECTION;

8 (IV) THE FEE ESTABLISHED AND CHARGED BY INSTITUTIONS, IF
9 ANY, TO ADMINISTER A PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT, INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT,
10 EXAMINATION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
11 (2) OF THIS SECTION;

12 (V) THE DIRECT COSTS IMPOSED ON INSTITUTIONS TO IMPLEMENT
13 THIS SECTION; AND

14 (VI) ANY RECOMMENDED STATUTORY REVISIONS TO THIS SECTION.

15 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-1-136
16 (11)(a)(I), THE REPORTING REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION
17 (9) CONTINUES UNTIL THE REPEAL OF THIS SUBSECTION (9).

18 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (9) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2029.

19 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-125, **add** (4.7)
20 as follows:

21 **23-1-125. Commission directive - student bill of rights - degree**
22 **requirements - implementation of core courses - competency test -**
23 **prior learning - prior work-related experience.** (4.7) **Prior**
24 **work-related experience.** PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-5-145.5, THE
25 COUNCIL CREATED AND EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-1-108.5, IN
26 COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMISSION, SHALL CREATE, ADOPT, AND
27 IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO DETERMINE AND AWARD POSTSECONDARY
28 ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE.

29 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
30 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
31 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.".

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