

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Appropriations.

SB21-268 be amended as follows:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 32, after line 25 insert:

2 **"SECTION 25.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-35-114, **add**
3 **(2.5)** as follows:

4 **22-35-114. Concurrent enrollment expansion and innovation**
5 **grant program - created - report - rules - legislative declaration.**

6 **(2.5) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:**

7 **(I) ON MARCH 11, 2021, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENACTED**
8 **THE "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021" (ARPA), PUB.L. 117-2, AS**
9 **THE ACT MAY BE SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, PURSUANT TO WHICH**
10 **COLORADO WILL RECEIVE \$3,828,761,790 FROM THE FEDERAL**
11 **CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND TO BE USED FOR CERTAIN**
12 **SPECIFIED PURPOSES, INCLUDING "TO RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH**
13 **EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019**
14 **(COVID-19) OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS, INCLUDING**
15 **ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND NONPROFITS, OR**
16 **AID TO IMPACTED INDUSTRIES SUCH AS TOURISM, TRAVEL, AND**
17 **HOSPITALITY";**

18 **(II) UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 602**
19 **(f) OF THE ARPA, THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY**
20 **ADOPTED REGULATIONS PROVIDING FURTHER GUIDANCE TO STATES**
21 **REGARDING THE AUTHORIZED USES OF THE MONEY ALLOCATED TO STATES**
22 **FROM THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND TO**
23 **RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC**
24 **IMPACTS, WHICH INCLUDE:**

25 **(A) PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO UNEMPLOYED WORKERS,**
26 **INCLUDING JOB TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO WANT TO AND ARE**
27 **AVAILABLE FOR WORK;**

28 **(B) PROVIDING AID TO IMPACTED INDUSTRIES TO RESPOND TO THE**
29 **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH**
30 **EMERGENCY; AND**

31 **(C) PROVIDING PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR**
32 **POPULATIONS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 PUBLIC**
33 **HEALTH EMERGENCY, SUCH AS PROGRAMS OR SERVICES THAT ADDRESS OR**
34 **MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ON**
35 **EDUCATION;**

36 **(III) COLORADO'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY FROM THE COVID-19**
37 **PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY REQUIRES A SKILLED WORKFORCE WHICH CAN**
38 **BE STRENGTHENED THROUGH STUDENTS COMPLETING ACADEMIC AND**
39 **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES AND PROGRAMS,**
40 **INCLUDING INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS, AND BY SUPPORTING THE EDUCATOR**
41 **WORKFORCE IN ATTAINING THE CREDENTIALS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE**

1 IN CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN LOCAL EDUCATION
2 PROVIDERS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION;

3 (IV) STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, STUDENTS
4 FROM COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, AND FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS FACE
5 INCREASED CHALLENGES DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND THE LOSS
6 OF STUDENT AND HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN PAYING FOR THE COSTS
7 ASSOCIATED WITH OBTAINING WORKFORCE SKILLS AND IN COMPLETING
8 ACADEMIC AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES AND
9 PROGRAMS, INCLUDING INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS; AND

10 (V) WITHOUT ACCESS TO LOW-COST ACADEMIC AND CAREER AND
11 TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES AND PROGRAMS TO MITIGATE THE
12 IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ON STUDENTS
13 FROM LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, STUDENTS FROM COMMUNITIES OF
14 COLOR, AND FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS, THESE STUDENTS MAY FACE
15 LONG-TERM, NEGATIVE EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACTS FROM THE
16 COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.

17 (b) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT
18 APPROPRIATING A PORTION OF THE FEDERAL MONEY FOR THE CONCURRENT
19 ENROLLMENT EXPANSION AND INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM CREATED IN
20 THIS SECTION WILL PROVIDE THE KIND OF ASSISTANCE FOR WHICH
21 COLORADO WILL RECEIVE MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS
22 STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND THEREFORE IS AN APPROPRIATE AND
23 LAWFUL USE OF THE MONEY TRANSFERRED TO COLORADO UNDER THE
24 "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021".

25 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (2.5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.".

26 **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-54-138, **add**
27 (2.5) as follows:

28 **22-54-138. Career development success program - created -**
29 **funding - report - legislative declaration - definitions - repeal.**

30 (2.5) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

31 (I) ON MARCH 11, 2021, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENACTED
32 THE "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021" (ARPA), PUB.L. 117-2, AS
33 THE ACT MAY BE SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, PURSUANT TO WHICH
34 COLORADO WILL RECEIVE \$3,828,761,790 FROM THE FEDERAL
35 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND TO BE USED FOR CERTAIN
36 SPECIFIED PURPOSES, INCLUDING "TO RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH
37 EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019
38 (COVID-19) OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS, INCLUDING
39 ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND NONPROFITS, OR
40 AID TO IMPACTED INDUSTRIES SUCH AS TOURISM, TRAVEL, AND
41 HOSPITALITY";

42 (II) UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 602
43 (f) OF THE ARPA, THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY

1 ADOPTED REGULATIONS PROVIDING FURTHER GUIDANCE TO STATES
2 REGARDING THE AUTHORIZED USES OF THE MONEY ALLOCATED TO STATES
3 FROM THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND TO
4 RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC
5 IMPACTS, WHICH INCLUDE:

6 (A) PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO UNEMPLOYED WORKERS,
7 INCLUDING JOB TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO WANT TO AND ARE
8 AVAILABLE FOR WORK;

9 (B) PROVIDING AID TO IMPACTED INDUSTRIES TO RESPOND TO THE
10 NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH
11 EMERGENCY; AND

12 (C) PROVIDING PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR
13 POPULATIONS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 PUBLIC
14 HEALTH EMERGENCY, SUCH AS PROGRAMS OR SERVICES THAT ADDRESS OR
15 MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ON
16 EDUCATION;

17 (III) COLORADO'S RECOVERY FROM THE COVID-19 PUBLIC
18 HEALTH EMERGENCY REQUIRES PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT A SKILLED
19 WORKFORCE AND THAT MITIGATE THE LONG-TERM, NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON
20 EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS;

21 (IV) STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, STUDENTS
22 FROM COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, AND FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS FACE
23 INCREASED CHALLENGES DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND THE LOSS
24 OF STUDENT AND HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND DISRUPTED LEARNING; AND

25 (V) BY INCENTIVIZING SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS
26 TO INCREASE THE PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS IN QUALIFIED
27 INDUSTRY-CREDENTIAL PROGRAMS, QUALIFIED INTERNSHIPS, RESIDENCY,
28 CONSTRUCTION-INDUSTRY PRE-APPRENTICESHIP OR APPRENTICESHIP
29 PROGRAMS, AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAMS FOR COLLEGE CREDIT,
30 SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS HELP MITIGATE THE
31 LONG-TERM, NEGATIVE IMPACTS FROM THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH
32 EMERGENCY ON EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS
33 FROM LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, STUDENTS FROM COMMUNITIES OF
34 COLOR, AND FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS.

35 (b) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT
36 APPROPRIATING A PORTION OF THE FEDERAL MONEY FOR THE CAREER
37 DEVELOPMENT SUCCESS PROGRAM CREATED IN THIS SECTION WILL
38 PROVIDE THE KIND OF ASSISTANCE FOR WHICH COLORADO WILL RECEIVE
39 MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND
40 AND THEREFORE IS AN APPROPRIATE AND LAWFUL USE OF THE MONEY
41 TRANSFERRED TO COLORADO UNDER THE "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT
42 OF 2021".

43 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (2.5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.".

1 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

2 Page 35, after line 17 insert:

3 **"SECTION 35. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal
4 year, \$3,500,000 is appropriated to the department of education. This
5 appropriation is from the workers, employers, and workforce centers cash
6 fund created in section 24-75-231, C.R.S., and of money the state
7 received from the federal coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund. To
8 implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

9 (a) \$1,750,000 for the concurrent enrollment expansion and
10 innovation grant program; and

11 (b) \$1,750,000 for the career development success program.".

12 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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