

**Second Regular Session
Seventy-fifth General Assembly
STATE OF COLORADO**

ENGROSSED

*This Version Includes All Amendments Adopted
on Second Reading in the House of Introduction*

LLS NO. 26-0887.02 Conrad Imel x2313

HOUSE BILL 26-1358

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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Amabile and Kirkmeyer, Bridges

House Committees
Appropriations

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING REDUCING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE COLORADO**
102 **ACADEMIC ACCELERATOR GRANT PROGRAM.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Joint Budget Committee. The bill reduces an appropriation for the Colorado academic accelerator grant program.

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
April 9, 2026

1 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-146.6, **amend**
2 (9) as follows:

3 **22-2-146.6. Colorado academic accelerator grant program -**
4 **report - rules - definitions - repeal.**

5 (9) (a) ~~For the 2023-24 budget year, the general assembly shall~~
6 ~~appropriate twenty-four million five hundred thousand dollars to the~~
7 ~~department.~~ The department ~~shall have~~ HAS the authority to spend funds
8 APPROPRIATED FOR THE 2023-24 BUDGET YEAR continuously through the
9 2026-27 budget year for the purposes of this section. Any unexpended
10 funds that remain at the end of the 2026-27 budget year revert back to the
11 general fund.

12 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (9) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31,
13 2027.

14 **SECTION 2.** In Session Laws of Colorado 2023, **amend** section
15 15 introductory portion and section 15(b) of chapter 190 (HB 23-1231) as
16 follows:

17 Section 15. **Appropriation.** For the 2023-24 state fiscal year,
18 ~~\$26,694,530~~ \$21,494,530 is appropriated to the department of education.
19 This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
20 department may use this appropriation as follows:

21 (b) ~~\$24,500,000~~ \$19,300,000 for the Colorado academic
22 accelerator grant program, which amount is based on an assumption that
23 the department will require an additional 2.6 FTE; and

24 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
25 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
26 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for

- 1 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
- 2 institutions.