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SENATE BILL 24-109

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE COLORADO VETERANS'**
102 **SERVICE-TO-CAREER 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>.)

The Colorado veterans' service-to-career program (program) authorizes nonprofit agencies to partner with work force centers selected by the department of labor and employment (department) to provide veterans and other eligible participants with skills training, internships, work placements, mentorship opportunities, career and professional counseling, and support services. Under current law, the general assembly

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is allowed to annually appropriate money from the marijuana tax cash fund to the department to be used for the program. The bill extends the repeal date for the program from July 1, 2024, to September 1, 2025. In addition, the bill removes the provision permitting the appropriation of money from the marijuana tax cash fund and instead allows the general assembly to appropriate money from the general fund to be used for the program.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 8-14.3-204
3 as follows:

4 **8-14.3-204. Appropriation.** The general assembly may annually
5 appropriate money from the ~~marijuana tax cash~~ GENERAL fund created in
6 section ~~39-28.8-501~~ 24-75-201 to the department to be used for the
7 program. The department may use up to five percent of any money
8 appropriated by the general assembly for development and administrative
9 costs incurred by the department pursuant to this section; except that this
10 five-percent limitation does not apply to any contract the department
11 enters into in connection with an evaluation of the program pursuant to
12 section 8-14.3-203 (6). Up to eight percent of the money may also be used
13 by the work force center for administrative costs incurred by the work
14 force center and the nonprofit agency to implement and operate the
15 program.

16 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 8-14.3-205
17 as follows:

18 **8-14.3-205. Repeal of part.** This part 2 is repealed, effective July
19 ~~1, 2024~~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.

20 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-28.8-501, **repeal**
21 (2)(b)(IV)(L) as follows:

22 **39-28.8-501. Marijuana tax cash fund - creation - distribution**

1 **- legislative declaration - repeal.** (2) (b) (IV) Subject to the limitation
2 in subsection (5) of this section, the general assembly may annually
3 appropriate any money in the fund for the following purposes:

4 (L) ~~For the Colorado veterans' service-to-career program created~~
5 ~~in part 2 of article 14.3 of title 8;~~

6 **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
7 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
8 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
9 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
10 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
11 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
12 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
13 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
14 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.