Joint Budget Committee Staff

Memorandum

To: Joint Budget Committee Members
From: Kelly Shen, JBC Staff (303-866-5434)
Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Subject: JBC Potential Legislation – Packet 12

This packet includes memos and bill drafts for the Committee's consideration. Unless otherwise indicated by the JBC analyst, **these bills are seeking approval for introduction**. This includes:

- deciding on sponsors,
- allowing JBC staff permission to make technical changes including adding appropriation clauses, and
- indicating if the bill will run with the Long Bill package.

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Potential Legislation

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LLS NO. 25-0987.01 Chelsea Princell x4335 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Consolidation of Crisis Response Services

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE COLORADO CRISIS HOTLINE AND THE 988 CRISIS HOTLINE ENTERPRISE.

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. Under current law, the 988 crisis hotline and the telephone crisis service that is part of the behavioral health crisis response system operate as 2 separate services. The bill consolidates the telephone crisis service with the 988 crisis hotline. This ensures that callers who call the telephone crisis service will be routed to the 988 crisis hotline.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 22-1-136 as follows:

22-1-136. Student identification cards - information required. Each student identification card issued to a public school student must contain ~~the phone number, website address, and text talk number for Colorado crisis services, as defined in section 27-60-104~~ INFORMATION ON THE 988 CRISIS HOTLINE, OPERATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103, and the safe2tell program created in section 24-31-606. The public school may also include information regarding other available crisis services on the identification card. If a public school does not issue student identification cards, the public school shall display the materials described in section 27-60-104 (10) at the school and send information related to Colorado crisis services to parents or guardians at the beginning of each school year.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-5-109, **amend** (2) as follows:

23-5-109. Identification - suicide and crisis prevention - rules. (2) Each student identification card issued after August 1, 2023, to a public or private postsecondary school student must include ~~the phone number and text talk number for the statewide behavioral health crisis response system, commonly referred to as "Colorado crisis services", as described in section 27-60-104, and~~ INFORMATION ON the national three-digit suicide and crisis lifeline number 988. The public or private postsecondary school may include information about other available crisis services and other services on the identification card, including local campus crisis and suicide prevention numbers. The public or private postsecondary school is not required to reprint or reissue identification cards in use before August 1, 2023. If, at any time, a private or public postsecondary school has current students still using identification cards without the information required by this section, the school shall distribute ~~the phone number and text talk number for Colorado crisis services, as described in section 27-60-104, and~~ INFORMATION ON the national three-digit suicide and crisis lifeline number 988 to all students at the beginning of each school semester or trimester until all students have identification cards with the required information. If a private or public postsecondary school does not issue or use student identification cards, the school shall distribute the ~~phone number and text talk number for Colorado crisis services, as described in section 27-60-104, and~~ INFORMATION ON the national three-digit suicide and crisis lifeline number 988 to all students at the beginning of each school semester or trimester.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-60-103, **amend** (1)(b)(V); and **repeal** (1)(b)(I) as follows:

27-60-103. Behavioral health crisis response system - services - request for proposals - criteria - reporting - rules - definitions - repeal. (1) (b) The components of the crisis response system must reflect a continuum of care from crisis response through stabilization and safe return to the community, with adequate support for transitions to each stage. Specific components include:

(I) ~~A twenty-four-hour telephone crisis service that is staffed by skilled professionals who are capable of assessing child, adolescent, and adult crisis situations and making the appropriate referrals;~~

(V) FUNDING FOR a public information campaign AND TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS CALLING OR TEXTING THE LEGACY STATEWIDE TELEPHONE CRISIS LINES ARE ROUTED TO THE 988 CRISIS LINE.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-60-104.5, **amend** (3)(c) and (8) as follows:

27-60-104.5. Behavioral health capacity tracking system - rules - legislative declaration - definitions. (3) Pursuant to subsection (8) of this section, the BHA shall implement a behavioral health capacity tracking system, which must include the following:

(c) Coordination with the ~~telephone crisis service that is part of the behavioral health crisis response system pursuant to section 27-60-103~~ 988 CRISIS HOTLINE CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103;

(8) Subject to available appropriations, the BHA shall implement a centralized, web-based tracking system as described in this section and shall ensure that appropriate tracking system information is available to the public. ~~The contractor of the twenty-four-hour telephone crisis services provided pursuant to section 27-60-103 shall use the tracking system as an available service resource locator.~~

SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-64-103, **amend** (4)(d)(I) and (7) as follows:

27-64-103. 988 crisis hotline enterprise - creation - powers and duties. (4) The enterprise's primary powers and duties are to:

(d) (I) Engage the services of third parties serving as crisis vendors to provide crisis outreach; stabilization, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, RECOVERY SUPPORT AND MOBILE RESPONSE UNITS; acute care; and marketing for the 988 crisis hotline;

(7) The enterprise shall consider ~~recommendations from the state's~~

~~988 planning committee to determine how the 988 crisis hotline will interact with the twenty-four-hour telephone crisis services established in section 27-60-103 (1)(b)(I)~~ FUNDING TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS CALLING OR TEXTING THE LEGACY STATEWIDE TELEPHONE CRISIS LINES ARE ROUTED TO THE 988 CRISIS HOTLINE.

SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-65-106, **amend** (8)(a)(VI) and (8)(d)(I) as follows:

27-65-106. Emergency mental health hold - screening - court-ordered evaluation - discharge instructions - respondent's rights. (8) (a) The facility shall provide each person detained for an emergency mental health hold discharge instructions. The discharge instructions must be completed for every person, regardless of the person's discharge status, before the person is released. If the detained person refuses to accept the discharge instructions, the refusal must be documented in the person's medical record. At a minimum, the discharge instructions must include:

(VI) ~~The phone number to call or text the Colorado crisis services hotline~~ INFORMATION ON THE 988 CRISIS HOTLINE OPERATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103 and information on the availability of peer support services;

(d) (I) The facility shall, at a minimum, attempt to follow up with the person, the person's parent or legal guardian, or the person's lay person at least forty-eight hours after discharge. The facility is encouraged to utilize peer support professionals, as defined in section 27-60-108 (2)(b), when performing follow-up care with individuals and in developing a continuing care plan pursuant to subsection (8)(a)(I) of this section. The facility may facilitate follow-up care through contracts with community-based behavioral health providers or the ~~Colorado behavioral health crisis hotline~~ 988 CRISIS HOTLINE OPERATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103. If the facility facilitates follow-up care through a third-party contract, the facility shall obtain authorization from the person to provide follow-up care.

SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-65-119, **amend** (1)(d) as follows:

27-65-119. Rights of respondents certified for short-term treatment or long-term care and treatment. (1) Each respondent certified for short-term treatment or long-term care and treatment on an inpatient basis pursuant to sections 27-65-108.5, 27-65-109, and 27-65-110 has the following rights and shall be advised of such rights by the facility:

(d) To meet with or call a personal clinician, spiritual advisor, counselor, ~~crisis hotline~~ THE 988 CRISIS HOTLINE, family member, workplace, child care provider, or school at all reasonable times;

SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-80-129, **amend** (7)(c)(IV) and (7)(e) as follows:

27-80-129. Regulation of recovery residences - rules - definitions. (7) (c) If a client is unable or no longer wishes to reside in a recovery residence, or is discharged or transferred from a recovery residence, prior to the client vacating the recovery residence, the recovery residence staff shall:

(IV) Provide the client with the phone number to contact the ~~Colorado crisis services hotline~~ 988 CRISIS HOTLINE OPERATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103, information on the availability of peer support services, and information about the behavioral health services directory provided by the behavioral health administration.

(e) The recovery residence shall, at a minimum, attempt to follow up with the client's designated emergency contact at the time of discharge. The recovery residence is encouraged to utilize peer support professionals, as defined in section 27-60-108, when performing follow-up care with clients a recovery residence may facilitate follow-up care through contacts with community-based providers or the ~~Colorado crisis hotline~~ 988 CRISIS HOTLINE OPERATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-64-103.

SECTION 9. Effective date. This act takes effect July 1, 2025.

SECTION 10. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

Joint Budget Committee Staff

Memorandum

To:	Members of the Joint Budget Committee
From:	Scott Philip Thompson, JBC Staff (303-866-4957)
Date:	Monday, March 17, 2025
Department:	Judicial Department
Subject:	Delay Creation of Office of Judicial Discipline Ombudsman

This memo includes the following items:

- Delay Creation of Office of Judicial Discipline Ombudsman

Bill to Repeal Office of Judicial Discipline Ombudsman

The JBC voted to eliminate funding for the Office of Judicial Discipline for both FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 and requested a bill draft to repeal the program. The Joint Budget Committee also requested the Chief Justice to submit an alternative option to establish a Judicial Discipline Ombudsman Office housed in the Judicial Department as opposed to as an independent agency as currently structured.

New Information

Attached to this memo is one from the Judicial Branch outlining the alternative option requested by the Joint Budget Committee

Original Recommendation

➔ JBC-Initiated Repeal Judicial Discipline Ombudsman

Request

The Judicial Branch did not request or recommend a decision item to eliminate the Judicial Discipline Ombudsman, however, it estimates that implementing its alternative will cost $172,272 General Fund in FY 2025-26 and $220,545 General Fund in FY 2026-27 to support 1.0 FTE.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Committee approve for introduction a bill to repeal the Office of Judicial Discipline Ombudsman, adjust the FY 2024-25 appropriation by eliminating $416,175 and 1.8 FTE and provide no appropriation in FY 2025-26, which had been submitted with a base appropriation of $328,647 for 2.0 FTE.

If the JBC wishes to explain the repeal of the Judicial Discipline Ombudsman in the context of the Judicial Department overview when it discusses the Long Bill Narrative in Appropriations Committees or budget caucuses, JBC Staff recommends the Committee eliminate FY 2025-26 funding in the Long Bill. If, however, the JBC would prefer to discuss the repeal of the Office only when it describes orbital bills, which are situated at the end of the Long Bill Narrative, JBC Staff recommends the Committee include placeholder appropriations in the Long Bill and adjust those appropriations in an appropriation clause in the repeal legislation.

If the JBC proceeds with the latter recommendation, JBC Staff requests permission to add an appropriation clause to eliminate the funding prior to introduction.

JBC Staff does not recommend the Committee pursue the Judicial Branch's recommendation described in the attached memo or for it to repeal and replace the Office with a yet-to-be defined alternative. Because the initial creation of the office was driven by stakeholders and members of the Judiciary Committees, JBC Staff believes there is value to engaging those stakeholders prior to making any changes to the Office of the Judicial Discipline Ombudsman.

JBC Staff is not entirely unsupportive of housing the Judicial Discipline Ombudsman or an office with a similar organizational goal in the Judicial Branch. Considering that despite funding being provided and members having been appointed to the governing board the Office has made no progress in hiring an ombudsperson, adding guardrails and ensuring someone is responsible for standing up the office are important considerations.

Considering the current budget environment, JBC Staff recommends the Committee take the budget savings of $416,175 in FY 2024-25 and $328,647 in FY 2025-26 to realize short-term savings and not consider sponsoring legislation to replace the program at this time. Ideally, interested stakeholders will revisit the concept during interim resulting in proposed legislation for the General Assembly to consider in 2026.

To: Members of the Joint Budget Committee

Cc: Chief Justice Monica Márquez, Colorado Supreme Court
Steven Vasconcellos, State Court Administrator
Luis Colón, Financial Services Division Director
Andrew Rottman, Legal Counsel to the Chief Justice
Terry Scanlon, Legislative Liaison
Alfredo Kemm, JBC Staff

From: Robin J. Smart, Budget Manager

Subject: Judicial Branch Organizational Ombuds

Date: March 14, 2025

On March 13, 2025, the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) requested additional information concerning the concept of an organizational ombuds as originally proposed by the Judicial Branch in 2023. **The FY 2025-26 cost of 1.0 Organizational Ombuds FTE is $172,272 General Fund,** including personal services, standard operating, and travel. **This would annualize to $220,545 General Fund in FY 2026-27 and ongoing.** Following is a brief summary of the original concept.

Organizational ombuds are employed by both public and private sector organizations across the United States to provide a safe place for employees to navigate workplace challenges, assist organizational leadership in identifying trends in the workplace, and recommend systematic improvements. Although an organizational ombuds is housed within the organization it serves, the position is designed to function independently, impartially, informally, and confidentially. Unlike independent ombuds, an organizational ombuds is not a mandatory reporter. Currently, the University of Colorado, Colorado State University, and the Denver Public Schools all employ the organizational ombuds model.

The Judicial Organizational Ombuds would be hired by and would report to an oversight group made up of a cross-section of Department employee leaders from across the state. The responsibilities of the Ombuds would be defined in a charter and require that the individual be available to serve staff in courts, probation, and the State Court Administrator's Office. The Judicial Organizational Ombuds would:

- In accordance with statute, refer all matters involving judges directly to the Commission on Judicial Discipline;
- Listen to employees and work to understand issues while remaining neutral with respect to the facts;
- Assist employees in navigating issues and developing and helping individuals evaluate options;
- Guide or coach individuals to deal directly with other parties, including the use of formal resolution resources of the organization;
- Refer individuals to appropriate resolution resources;

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LLS NO. 25-0966.01 Chelsea Princell x4335 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Repeal Office of Judicial Discipline Ombudsman

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF THE OFFICE OF THE JUDICIAL DISCIPLINE OMBUDSMAN.

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. The bill repeals the office of the judicial discipline ombudsman, which was established in 2023 to act as an independent and confidential advisor on judicial discipline procedures and workplace culture.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 13-3-120.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-72-202, **repeal** (6)(b)(XVI) as follows:

24-72-202. Definitions. As used in this part 2, unless the context otherwise requires:

(6) (b) "Public records" does not include:

(XVI) ~~Records related to complaints received by the office of the judicial discipline ombudsman pursuant to section 13-3-120, including any record that names or otherwise identifies a specific complainant or other person involved in the complaint;~~

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0925.01 Conrad Imel x2313 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Deposit Bond Forfeitures in Judicial Fund

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE DEPOSIT OF BOND FORFEITURE COLLECTIONS IN THE JUDICIAL COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT FUND.

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. The bill requires 75% of the money collected from a bond forfeiture judgment against an individual to be deposited in the judicial collection enhancement fund. The bill requires all the money collected from a bail forfeiture judgment against an appearance bond written by a compensated surety to be deposited in the judicial collection enhancement fund.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-4-111, **add** (8) as follows:

16-4-111. Disposition of security deposits upon forfeiture or termination of bond. (8) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSFER SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE MONEY COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FROM A BOND FORFEITURE JUDGMENT TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE JUDICIAL COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT FUND CREATED IN SECTION 16-11-101.6 (2).

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-4-114, **add** (7) as follows:

16-4-114. Enforcement procedures for compensated sureties - definitions. (7) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSFER THE MONEY COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FROM A BAIL FORFEITURE JUDGMENT INVOLVING AN APPEARANCE BOND DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE JUDICIAL COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT FUND CREATED IN SECTION 16-11-101.6 (2).

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-11-101.6, **amend** (2) as follows:

16-11-101.6. Collection of fines and fees - methods - charges - judicial collection enhancement fund - creation - definition. (2) THE JUDICIAL COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. All time payment fees and late penalty fees collected shall be credited to the judicial collection enhancement fund. ~~which fund is hereby created in the state treasury.~~ In addition, reasonable costs incurred and collected by the state shall be credited to the fund. THE FUND ALSO CONSISTS OF THE MONEY CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 16-4-111 AND 16-4-114. The general assembly shall make annual appropriations from the fund to the judicial department for administrative and personnel costs incurred in collecting restitution, fines, costs, fees, and other monetary assessments. At the end of any fiscal year, all unexpended and unencumbered ~~moneys~~ MONEY and any interest ~~shall remain~~ REMAINS in the fund for appropriation to the judicial department for ongoing enforcement and collection of restitution, fines, fees, costs, surcharges, and other monetary assessments.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0935.01 Alana Rosen x2606 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Repealing CO Student Leaders Institute

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING REPEALING THE COLORADO STUDENT LEADERS INSTITUTE.

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 repeals the Colorado student leaders institute (institute), created in the department of education (department), on September 1, 2026.

Before the repeal of the institute, the bill requires the department, in collaboration with the host institution of higher education that operates the institute and the advisory committee, to return, to the extent possible,

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money remaining in the Colorado student leaders institute cash fund (cash fund) to each grantor, donor, or student in an amount that is proportional to the grantor's, donor's, or student's share of the total amount of gifts, grants, donations, or student contributions deposited in the cash fund. If any money remains in the cash fund on August 31, 2025, the state treasurer shall, prior to the repeal of the cash fund, transfer all unexpended and unencumbered money in the cash fund to the general fund.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-106-103, **amend** (1) as follows:

22-106-103. Colorado student leaders institute - applications. (1) There is in the department of education the Colorado student leaders institute. The year-long institute shall operate a competitive residential summer academic program for students who are entering tenth or eleventh grade in the coming fall semester. The program operated by the institute must be for four weeks each summer during which time students who are accepted to the institute attend college-level classes, lectures, and seminars as well as enrichment activities, including concerts and theatrical productions. Each student who is accepted to the institute is encouraged to donate up to four hundred dollars to the institute to assist in meeting operational costs. Subject to available appropriations, up to one hundred students may annually participate in the institute. THE HOST INSTITUTION AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT OPERATE THE COLORADO STUDENT LEADERS INSTITUTE IN THE 2025-26 STATE FISCAL YEAR.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 22-106-105 as follows:

22-106-105. Colorado student leaders institute - funding - cash fund created. (1) (a) ~~The general assembly shall annually appropriate~~

~~money to the department of education for the institute to pay the direct and indirect costs that the state board of education incurs in operating the institute, including costs relating to the host institution and stipends for the institute faculty members.~~

(b) If the department of education does not spend the total amount appropriated pursuant to this subsection (1) by the end of the fiscal year for which it is appropriated, any amount not expended up to fifty percent of the total amount appropriated is further appropriated to the department for the subsequent state fiscal year for the same purpose; EXCEPT THAT MONEY APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1) FOR THE 2024-25 STATE FISCAL YEAR IS NOT FURTHER APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE SUBSEQUENT STATE FISCAL YEAR. ANY UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE 106 MUST REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND ON JUNE 30, 2025.

(2) (a) In addition to the amount appropriated pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the state board of education may solicit, accept, and expend public or private gifts, grants, or donations to implement the institute. The state board of education shall transmit any money that it receives pursuant to this subsection (2)(a) and any money it receives from participating students to the state treasurer. The state treasurer shall deposit the money in the Colorado student leaders institute cash fund, referred to in this section as the "cash fund", which is created in the state treasury. ~~Annual operation of the institute is conditional upon receiving at least forty thousand dollars in gifts, grants, or donations by June 1 of each year.~~ IF ON JULY 1, 2025, GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, OR STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS REMAIN IN THE CASH FUND, THE DEPARTMENT,

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HOST INSTITUTE AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CREATED IN SECTION 22-106-104 (1)(c), SHALL RETURN, NO LATER THAN AUGUST 30, 2025, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, MONEY REMAINING IN THE FUND TO EACH GRANTOR, DONOR, OR STUDENT IN AN AMOUNT THAT IS PROPORTIONAL TO THE GRANTOR'S, DONOR'S, OR STUDENT'S SHARE OF THE AMOUNT OF GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, OR STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS DEPOSITED IN THE CASH FUND.

(b) The money in the cash fund is continuously appropriated to the state board of education ~~for the direct and indirect costs incurred in implementing the institute~~ TO CARRY OUT THIS ARTICLE 106. The state treasurer may invest as provided by law any money in the cash fund that is not expended for the purposes of this article 106. The state treasurer shall credit to the cash fund all interest and income derived from the investment and deposit of money in the cash fund. Any unexpended and unencumbered money remaining in the cash fund at the end of a fiscal year remains in the cash fund and is not credited to another fund. IF ANY MONEY REMAINS IN THE CASH FUND ON AUGUST 31, 2025, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL, PRIOR TO THE REPEAL OF THE CASH FUND, TRANSFER ALL UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEY IN THE CASH FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND.

(3) Repealed.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-106-106 as follows:

22-106-106. Repeal of article. THIS ARTICLE 106 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2026.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0944.01 Alana Rosen x2606 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Institute Charter Schs & Additional Mill Levies

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY REVENUE FOR INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS. <{***Would the JBC like this bill to be split into two bills so the titles can be more narrow?***}>

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. The bill requires each school district, beginning in the 2025-26 budget year, and each budget year thereafter, to report the total amount of additional mill levy revenue, stated as a dollar

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amount, that the school district is authorized to collect and that the school district distributes to the institute charter schools within the geographic boundary of the school district.

Beginning with the 2025-26 budget year, and each budget year thereafter, the state charter school institute (institute) shall not distribute a portion of its appropriated funds to multi-district online schools that are authorized by the institute.

On or after July 1, 2025, if a school district submits to the eligible electors of the district the question of whether the district should be able to raise and expend additional local property tax revenue, the school district shall include in the question whether the district will distribute a portion of the additional revenue to institute charter schools within the geographic boundary of the district.

Beginning in the 2024-25 budget year, if the institute receives additional mill levy revenue from a school district for an institute charter school within the geographic boundary of the school district, the general assembly shall deduct the additional mill levy revenue from the amount necessary to fully fund mill levy equalization.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-113.8, **amend** (1) as follows:

22-2-113.8. Department of education - additional local revenues - distribution to schools - annual report. (1) (a) For the 2014-15 budget year and each budget year thereafter, each school district shall report the total amount of additional local property tax revenues the district is authorized to collect in addition to the district's total program mill levy, but not including amounts authorized pursuant to section 22-40-110, article 42 of this ~~title~~ TITLE 22, or article 43 of this ~~title~~ TITLE 22, and the amount of the additional local property tax revenues that the school district distributes directly to schools of the school district, stated as a dollar amount.

(b) BEGINNING IN THE 2025-26 BUDGET YEAR, AND EACH BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER, EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL REPORT THE TOTAL

AMOUNT OF ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY REVENUE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-32-108.5 (2), THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRIBUTES, STATED AS A DOLLAR AMOUNT, TO THE INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-513.1, **amend** (2)(b); and **add** (2)(c) and (2)(d) as follows:

22-30.5-513.1. Mill levy equalization - legislative declaration - definitions. (2) (b) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, the institute shall annually distribute the money appropriated for full mill levy equalization pursuant to subsection (2)(a.5)(I) of this section to the institute charter schools on an equal per-pupil basis, EXCLUDING PUPILS ENROLLED IN MULTI-DISTRICT ONLINE SCHOOLS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-30.7-102; except that, in any budget year, an institute charter school must not receive a per pupil amount that is greater than the total amount of additional mill levy revenue, as defined in section 22-32-108.5, that the accounting district for the institute charter school is authorized to collect, divided by the funded pupil count, as determined pursuant to article 54 of this title 22, of the accounting district for the applicable budget year. The money distributed pursuant to this section is in addition to money distributed to institute charter schools pursuant to section 22-30.5-513.

(c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, BEGINNING WITH THE 2025-26 BUDGET YEAR, AND EACH BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER, THE INSTITUTE SHALL NOT DISTRIBUTE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO MULTI-DISTRICT ONLINE SCHOOLS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-30.7-102, THAT ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE INSTITUTE.

(d) BEGINNING IN THE 2024-25 BUDGET YEAR, IF AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT RECEIVES ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY REVENUE FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL DEDUCT THE ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY REVENUE FROM THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO FULLY FUND MILL LEVY EQUALIZATION.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-54-108, **amend** (1) and (2) as follows:

22-54-108. Authorization of additional local revenues - definitions. (1) (a) Effective July 1, 1994, a district ~~which~~ THAT desires to raise and expend local property tax revenues in excess of the district's total program may submit the question of whether the district should be authorized to raise and expend additional local property tax revenues, subject to the limitations of subsection (3) of this section, ~~thereby~~ authorizing an additional levy in excess of the levy authorized ~~under~~ PURSUANT TO section 22-54-106 for the district's general fund for the then current budget year and each budget year thereafter. The question authorized by this subsection (1)(a) must be submitted at an election held in accordance with section 20 of article X of the state constitution and title 1.

(b) ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2025, A DISTRICT THAT DESIRES TO RAISE AND EXPEND LOCAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUES IN EXCESS OF THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL PROGRAM, AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, SHALL INCLUDE IN THE QUESTION WHETHER THE DISTRICT WILL DISTRIBUTE A PORTION OF THE ADDITIONAL LOCAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY OF THE DISTRICT.

(2) (a) Effective July 1, 1994, upon proper submittal to a district of a valid initiative petition, the district shall submit to the eligible electors of the district the question of whether the district should be authorized to raise and expend additional local property tax revenues in excess of the district's total program, subject to the limitations of subsection (3) of this section, ~~thereby~~ authorizing an additional levy in excess of the levy authorized ~~under~~ PURSUANT TO section 22-54-106 for the district's general fund for the then current budget year and each budget year thereafter. The question authorized by this subsection (2)(a) must be submitted at an election held in accordance with section 20 of article X of the state constitution and title 1. An initiative petition ~~under~~ AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO this subsection (2)(a) must be signed by at least five percent of the eligible electors in the district at the time the petition is filed.

(b) ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2025, UPON PROPER SUBMITTAL TO A DISTRICT OF A VALID INITIATIVE PETITION, THE DISTRICT SHALL SUBMIT TO THE ELIGIBLE ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE DISTRICT SHOULD BE ABLE TO RAISE AND EXPEND LOCAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUES IN EXCESS OF THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL PROGRAM AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION, AND THE DISTRICT SHALL INCLUDE IN THE QUESTION WHETHER THE DISTRICT WILL DISTRIBUTE A PORTION OF THE ADDITIONAL LOCAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY OF THE DISTRICT.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0985.01 Shelby Ross x4510 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Repeal Proficiency Tests Administered by Schools
DEADLINES: File by: 3/14/2025

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING REPEALING PROFICIENCY TESTS ADMINISTERED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REDUCING AN APPROPRIATION.

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. The bill repeals proficiency tests administered by school districts. The bill reduces the cash fund appropriation to the department of education for use by career pathways for basic skills placement or assessment tests by $50,000.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 22-32-109.5.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-112, **amend** (4)(a) as follows:

22-2-112. Commissioner - duties - report - legislative declaration. (4) (a) The commissioner shall ensure that the department, subject to available appropriations, annually allocates money to school districts, district charter schools, and institute charter schools to reimburse them for the costs of administering developmental education placement or assessment tests pursuant to ~~sections 22-32-109.5,~~ SECTIONS 22-30.5-117 and 22-30.5-526, respectively, to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve. The department shall allocate money to offset the costs incurred in administering each of the test units only once per student while the student is enrolled in grades nine through twelve.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-136, **amend** (2)(a)(III) as follows:

22-2-136. Additional duty - state board - individual career and academic plans - standards - rules. (2) In establishing the standards for individual career and academic plans, the state board shall ensure, at a minimum, that:

(a) Each individual career and academic plan includes a career planning and guidance component and a portfolio that reflects, at a minimum:

(III) For school districts and charter schools that choose to administer the developmental education placement or assessment tests, the student's scores on the developmental education placement or assessment tests administered pursuant to section 22-30.5-117 OR 22-30.5-526, ~~or 22-32-109.5 (4),~~ any intervention plan created for the student pursuant to those sections, and the student's progress in meeting the intervention plan;

SECTION 4. Appropriation - adjustments to 2025 long bill. To implement this act, the cash funds appropriation from the state education fund created in section 17 (4)(a) of article IX of the state constitution made in the annual general appropriation act for the 2025-26 state fiscal year to the department of education for use by career pathways for basic skills placement or assessment tests is decreased by $50,000.

SECTION 5. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0860.01 Alana Rosen x2606 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: College Opportunity Fund Program

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING CLARIFYING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ATTENDING PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM.

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. The bill clarifies that the department of higher education may distribute financial assistance from an allocation

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authorized for student financial assistance programs to undergraduate students who attend participating private institutions of higher education and who participate in the college opportunity fund program.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-3.3-102, **add** (7.5) as follows:

23-3.3-102. Assistance program authorized - procedure - audits - definitions. (7.5) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MAY TRANSFER FUNDS TO THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 23-18-201 FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION. EXPENDITURES FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MUST NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL ALLOCATION AUTHORIZED FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION BY MORE THAN THIRTY PERCENT OF THE ALLOCATION. EXPENDITURES FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND EXPENDITURES AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 3.3 MUST NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL SUM OF ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE APPROPRIATIONS SET FORTH IN THIS ARTICLE 3.3.

(b) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (7.5), UNLESS THE CONTEXT

OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(I) "COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STIPENDS" MEANS THE STIPENDS DISTRIBUTED AS PART OF THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 23-18-201.

(II) "PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION" HAS THE SAME MEANING SET FORTH IN SECTION 23-18-102.

(III) "UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT" MEANS AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT WHO ATTENDS A PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATES IN THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 23-18-201.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-18-201, **amend** (2) as follows:

23-18-201. College opportunity fund program - creation - eligibility - guidelines. (2) (a) A student of a private institution of higher education ~~shall be~~ IS a beneficiary of the college opportunity fund and eligible to participate in the college opportunity fund program only if the private institution of higher education that the student attends has agreed to participate in the program by establishing a performance contract with the department. The performance contract ~~shall~~ MUST specify the performance goals the institution shall achieve during the period that it operates under the performance contract. The department shall include each participating private institution of higher education and its students who participate in the college opportunity fund program in the student unit reporting data system in order to enable the students of the participating private institution of higher education to participate in the program. The participating private institution of higher education shall reimburse the department for the actual expenses associated with including the institution in the student unit reporting data system.

(b) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR ELIGIBLE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT MAY TRANSFER THE FUNDS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(b) PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-3.3-102 (7.5). THE FUNDS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(b) MUST NOT BE DEPOSITED INTO THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 23-18-202 (1)(a).

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-18-202, **amend** (2)(e), (5)(a)(I), and (6) as follows:

23-18-202. College opportunity fund - appropriations - payment of stipends - reimbursement - report - repeal. (2) (e) An eligible undergraduate student who attends a participating private institution of higher education may receive financial assistance ~~under~~ PURSUANT TO this part 2 in the amount of fifty percent of the stipend amount. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR ELIGIBLE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT MAY TRANSFER THE FUNDS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e) PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-3.3-102 (7.5). THE FUNDS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e) MUST NOT BE DEPOSITED INTO THE COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

(5) (a) (I) After an undergraduate student has applied for the program, been approved for the program, and enrolled in a state or participating private institution of higher education, the institution shall

request that the Colorado student loan program make a stipend payment from the college opportunity fund, OR PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-18-201 (2) FOR AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED IN A PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, to the institution on behalf of the eligible undergraduate student. A payment by the Colorado student loan program to an institution of higher education from the college opportunity fund ~~shall not be~~ IS NOT subject to the assessment of a transaction fee pursuant to section 24-36-120. ~~C.R.S.~~ The stipend payment ~~shall~~ MUST be paid to the institution upon receipt by the institution of the eligible undergraduate student's authorization. The amount of the stipend paid on behalf of an eligible undergraduate student ~~shall~~ MUST be applied against the student's total in-state tuition.

(6) If an eligible undergraduate student enrolls in a class for which the state or participating private institution of higher education receives a stipend payment pursuant to subsection (5) of this section and the eligible undergraduate student subsequently withdraws from the class on or prior to the final date on which the institution permits a student to withdraw without the payment of any amount of tuition, the institution shall reimburse the college opportunity fund, OR IN THE CASE OF AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AT A PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE PARTICIPATING PRIVATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT, for the proportional amount of the stipend received that conforms to the governing board's refund policy for the class from which the student withdrew. The credits for which the stipend is refunded ~~shall~~ MUST not count against the eligible undergraduate student's lifetime-credit-hour limitation established pursuant to ~~paragraph (c) of subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION (5)(c) of this

section.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-0999.01 Anna Petrini x5497 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Repeal Recovery-Friendly Workplace Program

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING REPEALING THE RECOVERY-FRIENDLY WORKPLACE 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 repeals the recovery-friendly workplace program in the center for health, work, and environment at the Colorado school of public health.

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

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SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** part 3 of article 20 of title 23.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-18-308, **amend** (1)(l) and (1)(m); and **repeal** (1)(n) as follows:

23-18-308. Fee-for-service contracts - grants to local district colleges - limited purpose - repeal. (1) Subject to available appropriations, the department shall enter into fee-for-service contracts for the following purposes:

(l) The Colorado multidisciplinary health-care provider access training program created in section 23-21-1103; AND

(m) The creation of education programs pursuant to ~~section 8-15.7-201;~~ SECTION 8-15.7-201.

(n) ~~The recovery-friendly workplace program created in part 3 of article 20 of this title 23. This subsection (1)(n) is repealed, effective September 1, 2028.~~

SECTION 3. Effective date. This act takes effect July 1, 2025.

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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LLS NO. 25-1000.02 Jacob Baus x2173 **COMMITTEE BILL**

Joint Budget Committee

BILL TOPIC: Repeal Colorado Sch of Mines Performance Contract
DEADLINES: File by: 3/17/2025

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF THE COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES PERFORMANCE CONTRACT.

Bill Summary

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Joint Budget Committee. Under current law, the Colorado school of mines (school) has a performance contract with the department of higher education that specifies the measurable performance goals that the school must achieve during the contract's term and authorizes the school's board of trustees to establish resident and nonresident tuition rates. The bill repeals this performance contract and makes conforming

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amendments.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-104, **repeal** (2) as follows:

23-1-104. Financing the system of postsecondary education - report. (2) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, beginning in the 2011-12 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter through the 2020-21 fiscal year, the general assembly shall appropriate moneys to the governing board of the Colorado school of mines in accordance with section 23-41-104.7, through fee-for-service contracts, as authorized in sections 23-1-109.7 and 23-18-303, and as stipends, as defined in section 23-18-102, as a single line item to said governing board.~~

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-108, **amend** (1.5)(f)(I)(A) as follows:

23-1-108. Duties and powers of the commission with regard to systemwide planning - reporting - definitions. (1.5) (f) (I) (A) The commission, in collaboration with the public institutions of higher education, shall ensure that the master plan is implemented through the public institutions of higher education, including through funding allocated pursuant to part 3 of article 18 of this title 23. ~~and section 23-41-104.6.~~ The department shall submit a budget request pursuant to section 23-18-306 that supports master plan goals.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-113.2, **repeal** (3) as follows:

23-1-113.2. Department directive - admission standards for

students holding international baccalaureate diplomas - legislative declaration. (3) ~~The provisions of this section shall not apply to the Colorado school of mines while the institution is operating under a performance contract negotiated pursuant to section 23-41-104.6.~~

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 23-41-107 as follows:

23-41-107. Tuition. ~~The Colorado school of mines is open for instruction to all bona fide residents of this state, without regard to sex or color, upon the payment of such reasonable tuition fees as may be prescribed by the board of trustees pursuant to section 23-41-104.6. With the consent of such board, students from other states, territories, or countries may receive education thereat upon such terms and at such rates of tuition as such board may determine.~~ THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL SET TUITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEVEL OF CASH FUND APPROPRIATIONS SET BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY DISCRIMINATE IN REGARD TO TUITION BETWEEN STUDENTS FROM THIS STATE AND STUDENTS FROM OTHER STATES.

SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-1-114, **amend** (5)(b) as follows:

24-1-114. Department of higher education - creation. (5) (b) With respect to the Colorado commission on higher education and the universities, colleges, and boards specified in subsection (4) of this section, the executive director has only those powers, duties, and functions prescribed in article 1 of title 23; except that the executive director of the Colorado commission on higher education is authorized to negotiate, implement, and monitor contracts, as described in sections 23-18-201 (2), 23-18-303.5, AND 23-18-304, ~~and 23-41-104.6~~ with universities, colleges, and boards, in consultation with the Colorado commission on higher education.

SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 23-41-104.6 and 23-41-104.7.

SECTION 7. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.