CHAPTER 152

## **EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

SENATE BILL 19-137

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## AN ACT

CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF THE COLORADO STUDENT LEADERS INSTITUTE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-77-103, **amend** (1) and (4) as follows:

**23-77-103.** Colorado student leaders institute - created - applications. (1) There is created in the department of higher education the Colorado student leaders institute. to operate as a pilot program through the summer of 2019. The YEAR-LONG institute is SHALL OPERATE a competitive residential summer academic program for students who are entering tenth or eleventh grade in the coming fall semester. The institute operates 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.

(4) The host institution shall award three hours of postsecondary academic credit to each student who successfully completes the institute. The school district or high school in which each student is enrolled is encouraged to apply the academic credit hours that a student receives for completing the institute TOWARD ACADEMIC CREDIT HOURS EARNED IN CIVICS, TO APPLY toward completing THE COMPLETION OF the

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student's high school graduation requirements.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-77-105, amend (2)(b) as follows:

**23-77-105.** Colorado student leaders institute - funding - cash fund created. (2) (b) The money in the cash fund is continuously appropriated to the executive board for the direct and indirect costs incurred in implementing the institute. 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 77. 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 must remain in the cash fund and shall not be credited to another fund; except that the state treasurer shall credit any unexpended and unencumbered money remaining in the fund as of June 30, 2019 JUNE 30, 2024, to the state education fund created in section 17 (4) of article IX of the state constitution.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 23-77-106 as follows:

**23-77-106.** Repeal of article. This article 77 is repealed, effective July 1, 2019 JULY 1, 2024.

**SECTION 4. Appropriation.** For the 2019-20 state fiscal year, \$218,825 is appropriated to the department of higher education. This appropriation is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that the department will require an additional 1.0 FTE. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation for the Colorado student leaders institute.

**SECTION 5.** Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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