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HOUSE BILL 26-1384

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Brown and Taggart, Sirota, Feret

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Bridges and Kirkmeyer, Amabile

House Committees
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL-TO-WORK ALLIANCE**
102 **PROGRAM COST PAYMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND**
103 **EMPLOYMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.**

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. Currently, a school district (district) may request that the department of education pay the state's share of the district's total program for the budget year in 12 monthly payments. A district may further direct, by written instruction to the state board of education (board), that a specified portion of its monthly payment be paid

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.

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instead to the department of labor and employment to cover the district's costs for participation in school-to-work alliance programs. The board is required to certify to the state treasurer on a monthly basis the amount payable to each district and the amount, if any, to be transferred directly to the department of labor and employment instead of paid to the district.

The bill clarifies that the amount of money transferred from the state public school fund directly to the department of labor and employment for school-to-work alliance program costs instead of paid to a district is not state fiscal year spending for purposes of section 20 of article X of the state constitution.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-54-115, **amend**
3 (1.5) as follows:

4 **22-54-115. Distribution from state public school fund.**

5 (1.5) Any school district may give written instructions to the state
6 board directing that a specified portion of a monthly payment or monthly
7 payments that the district is otherwise entitled to receive pursuant to this
8 section shall be transferred to the department of labor and employment for
9 the district's cost of participating in school-to-work alliance programs.
10 These written instructions shall specify the amount to be transferred to the
11 department of labor and employment from the district's payment for a
12 specified month or months. The written instructions shall be given to the
13 state board no later than the fifth day of the first month in which such
14 amount is to be transferred to the department of labor and employment.

15 THE TRANSFER OF THE SPECIFIED PORTION OF A DISTRICT'S MONTHLY
16 PAYMENT OR MONTHLY PAYMENTS THAT THE DISTRICT INSTRUCTS SHOULD
17 NOT BE PAID BUT INSTEAD TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
18 AND EMPLOYMENT IS NOT STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING FOR PURPOSES OF
19 SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

20 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,

1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
3 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
4 institutions.