

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

March 7, 2024
Date

Committee on Education.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB24-1305 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 4, strike "industry" and substitute
2 "industry, INCLUDING THE MAJOR INDUSTRY CATEGORIES IDENTIFIED IN
3 THE COLORADO TALENT REPORT PRODUCED PURSUANT TO SECTION
4 24-46.3-103 (3), WHICH INCLUDES LIFE, PHYSICAL, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES;
5 ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING; COMPUTERS AND MATHEMATICS;
6 INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR; BUSINESS AND FINANCE;
7 CONSTRUCTION AND EXTRACTION; COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES;
8 AND TRANSPORTATION AND MATERIAL MOVING OCCUPATIONS,".

9 Page 3, line 17, before "as" insert "and (5)(f)".

10 Page 4, strike lines 4 through 8 and substitute:
11 "(f) Notwithstanding the lifetime-credit-hour limitation
12 established pursuant to ~~paragraph (c) of this subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION
13 (5)(c) OF THIS SECTION and in addition to the provisions of ~~paragraph (e)~~
14 ~~of this subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION (5)(e) OF THIS SECTION, a state
15 institution of higher education may annually grant a one-year waiver of
16 the lifetime-credit-hour limitation for up to five percent of the eligible
17 undergraduate students enrolled in the state institution of higher
18 education. ~~In granting the waivers under this paragraph (f), the state~~
19 ~~institution of higher education shall, upon request, grant a waiver to an~~
20 ~~eligible undergraduate student for courses taken pursuant to the~~
21 ~~"Concurrent Enrollment Programs Act", article 35 of title 22, C.R.S., or~~
22 ~~for courses taken while enrolled in a pathways in technology early college~~
23 ~~high school pursuant to article 35.3 of title 22, C.R.S. For any remaining~~
24 portion of the institution's five percent of eligible undergraduate students
25 who may receive waivers, the institution shall give priority to students
26 who are seeking job retraining.

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

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