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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING RELOCATION OF THE COLORADO STUDENT LEADERS**  
102              **INSTITUTE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**  
103              **TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND, IN**  
104              **CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING AN**  
105              **APPROPRIATION.**

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**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 student leaders institute currently exists as a pilot program in the lieutenant governor's office. The bill relocates the institute

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
March 9, 2017

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
March 8, 2017

SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
February 1, 2017

SENATE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
January 31, 2017

to the department of higher education without change.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add with amended**  
3 **and relocated provisions** article 77 to title 23 as follows:

4 **ARTICLE 77**

5 **Colorado Student Leaders Institute Pilot Program**

6 **23-77-101. [Formerly 24-44.3-101] Legislative declaration.**

7 (1) The general assembly finds that:

8 (a) The state is committed to increasing the number of students  
9 who graduate from a Colorado high school, enroll in a Colorado  
10 institution of higher education, and graduate with a postsecondary  
11 credential in two to four academic years;

12 (b) Several states have implemented a summer residential  
13 education program for high school students who demonstrate exceptional  
14 intellectual curiosity, creativity, and maturity. While participating in the  
15 summer program, students attend classes, lectures, seminars, concerts, art  
16 exhibits, theatrical performances, and films and have the opportunity to  
17 learn independently and from distinguished faculty, staff members, and  
18 guest lecturers.

19 (c) The summer residential education programs implemented in  
20 other states have:

21 (I) Successfully developed a civic voice among the states' best  
22 students so that they graduate from high school as civic participants;

23 (II) Prepared motivated students to participate in a competitive  
24 workforce;

25 (III) Helped to create young leaders who are energized to find

1 solutions for the pressing issues facing their states; and

2 (IV) Motivated students to remain in their home states for their  
3 postsecondary education and careers; and

4 (d) A high percentage of the students who have participated in the  
5 summer residential education programs have subsequently enrolled in  
6 postsecondary education in their home states and earned a baccalaureate  
7 degree in four years.

8 (2) The general assembly finds, therefore, that it is in the best  
9 interests of the state to establish the Colorado student leaders institute as  
10 a pilot program using the model of summer residential education  
11 programs implemented in other states and to appropriate state ~~moneys~~  
12 MONEY to ensure the successful operations of the institute for the benefit  
13 of Colorado high school students.

14 (3) The general assembly further finds that, for purposes of  
15 section 17 of article IX of the state constitution, the Colorado student  
16 leaders institute is an accountable program that assists students in meeting  
17 state academic standards and may therefore receive funding from the state  
18 education fund created in section 17 (4) of article IX of the state  
19 constitution.

20 **23-77-102. [Formerly 24-44.3-102] Definitions.** As used in this  
21 ~~article~~ ARTICLE 77, unless the context otherwise requires:

22 (1) "Executive board" means the executive board of the Colorado  
23 student leaders institute established pursuant to ~~section 24-44.3-104~~  
24 SECTION 23-77-104.

25 (2) "Host institution" means the institution of higher education  
26 that the DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION CONTRACTS WITH ON BEHALF  
27 OF THE executive board ~~contracts with~~ pursuant to ~~section 24-44.3-104~~

1 SECTION 23-77-104 to operate the institute.

2 (3) "Institute" means the Colorado student leaders institute created  
3 in ~~section 24-44.3-103~~ SECTION 23-77-103.

4 **23-77-103. [Formerly 24-44.3-103] Colorado student leaders**  
5 **institute - created - applications.** (1) There is created in the ~~office of the~~  
6 ~~lieutenant governor~~ DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION the Colorado  
7 student leaders institute to operate as a pilot program through the summer  
8 of 2019. The institute is a competitive residential summer academic  
9 program for students who are entering tenth or eleventh grade in the  
10 coming fall semester. The institute operates for four weeks each summer  
11 during which time students who are accepted to the institute attend  
12 college-level classes, lectures, and seminars as well as enrichment  
13 activities, including concerts and theatrical productions. Each student who  
14 is accepted to the institute is encouraged to donate up to four hundred  
15 dollars to the institute to assist in meeting operational costs. Subject to  
16 available appropriations, up to one hundred students may annually  
17 participate in the institute.

18 (2) (a) The institute shall annually offer classes in at least the  
19 following two areas:

20 (I) Science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics; and

21 (II) International social studies.

22 (b) The institute shall annually provide enrichment activities for  
23 students who participate in the institute, which must include but need not  
24 be limited to activities relating to visual expression and music  
25 appreciation.

26 (c) In addition to participating in classes and enrichment activities,  
27 students who participate in the institute must:

1 (I) Complete a history research project for a competition held  
2 during the term of the institute; and

3 (II) Complete a public service practicum that includes a final  
4 report of findings and recommendations to the general assembly for  
5 legislative action.

6 (3) (a) (I) To apply to participate in the institute:

7 (A) A student who is enrolled in a public school that is not a  
8 charter school must be nominated by the superintendent of the school  
9 district in which the student is enrolled; and

10 (B) A student who is enrolled in a charter school or in a private  
11 school must be nominated by the principal of the school.

12 (II) A student who is participating in a nonpublic home-based  
13 educational program, as described in section 22-33-104.5, ~~C.R.S.~~, may  
14 apply without having been nominated.

15 (b) To apply to participate in the institute, a student must submit  
16 an application to the executive board that is in the form and meets the  
17 requirements established by the host institution. If the applying student is  
18 enrolled in a public school, the student must submit a copy of his or her  
19 individual career and academic plan, as described in section 22-2-136,  
20 ~~C.R.S.~~, with the application.

21 (4) The host institution shall award three hours of postsecondary  
22 academic credit to each student who successfully completes the institute.  
23 The school district or high school in which each student is enrolled is  
24 encouraged to apply the academic credit hours that a student receives for  
25 completing the institute toward completing the student's high school  
26 graduation requirements.

27 **23-77-104. [Formerly 24-44.3-104] Colorado student leaders**

1 **institute - executive board - duties - repeal.** (1) An executive board  
2 appointed pursuant to subsection (2) of this section shall oversee the  
3 operations of the institute, including contracting THROUGH THE  
4 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION with the host institution and  
5 annually selecting students to participate in the institute.

6 (2) (a) The executive board consists of eleven members as  
7 follows:

8 (I) The governor, with the consent of the senate, shall appoint  
9 eight persons to serve as members of the executive board as follows:

10 (A) Two persons who are employed as educators in high schools  
11 in Colorado, one of whom is employed in a rural school district;

12 (B) Two persons who are employed as teaching faculty or  
13 administrators in an institution of higher education in Colorado; and

14 (C) Four persons from the community who have interest or  
15 experience in education; and

16 (II) The commissioner of education or his or her designee, the  
17 executive director of the department of higher education or his or her  
18 designee, and the chief executive officer of the host institution or his or  
19 her designee shall serve as members of the executive board.

20 (b) The appointed members of the executive board serve two-year  
21 terms and may be appointed to successive two-year terms; except that, of  
22 the members first appointed, the governor shall select four members to  
23 serve one-year terms. The appointed members of the executive board  
24 serve at the pleasure of the governor. If a vacancy arises on the executive  
25 board, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the  
26 remainder of the term.

27 (c) The members of the executive board serve without

1 compensation and without reimbursement for expenses.

2 (d) The governor shall appoint the initial members to the  
3 executive board as soon as possible after June 6, 2015. In making  
4 appointments, the governor shall attempt to appoint persons who are  
5 representative of the gender and racial diversity within the state and who  
6 represent areas throughout the state.

7 (e) (I) THE RELOCATION IN 2017 OF THE INSTITUTE FROM THE  
8 OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
9 EDUCATION DOES NOT REQUIRE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE  
10 BOARD OR AFFECT THE LENGTH OF TERM OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD  
11 MEMBERS APPOINTED BEFORE 2017.

12 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (2)(e) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018.

13 (3) The executive board has the following duties and powers:

14 (a) The executive board shall oversee and direct the operations of  
15 the institute, including reviewing the student applications received,  
16 annually selecting students to participate in the institute, and annually  
17 selecting the faculty and courses for the institute, taking into account the  
18 recommendations of the host institution. In reviewing applications and  
19 selecting students to participate in the institute, the executive board shall  
20 ensure that:

21 (I) At least fifty percent of the students selected to attend the  
22 institute each year:

23 (A) Are eligible for free or ~~reduced-cost~~ REDUCED-PRICE lunch  
24 pursuant to the federal "Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act",  
25 42 U.S.C. sec. 1751 et seq.; or

26 (B) Would be the first generation in their immediate families to  
27 attend an ~~institute~~ INSTITUTION of higher education;

1 (II) The students who are selected reside in areas throughout the  
2 state; are representative of the gender, ethnic, racial, and socio-economic  
3 diversity of the state; and are representative of the educational program  
4 options available throughout the state; and

5 (III) The students who are selected demonstrate, through their  
6 individual career and academic plans for students enrolled in public  
7 schools, a commitment to continuing in postsecondary education after  
8 high school graduation.

9 (b) (I) The DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ON BEHALF OF  
10 THE executive board, shall issue a request for proposals for a public or  
11 private institution of higher education to host the institute. The  
12 DEPARTMENT, WORKING WITH THE executive board, shall select and enter  
13 into a contract on behalf of the EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE institute with  
14 the public or private institution of higher education in accordance with the  
15 applicable provisions of the "Procurement Code", articles 101 to 112 of  
16 ~~this title~~ TITLE 24. The executive board DEPARTMENT may enter into a  
17 multi-year contract with a public or private institution of higher  
18 education, subject to annual review and renewal.

19 (II) The contract to host the institute must require the host  
20 institution, at a minimum, to provide the following services in managing  
21 the institute:

22 (A) Establish requirements for and create the form of the  
23 applications that students submit to participate in the institute and  
24 establish the timelines for submitting applications and selecting  
25 participants;

26 (B) Review applications received from students and recommend  
27 participants to the executive board;

1 (C) Annually solicit educators to participate as faculty for the  
2 institute and annually recommend to the executive board faculty and  
3 courses for the institute;

4 (D) Provide space for classes, lectures, and seminars; and

5 (E) Provide living and eating facilities for students who  
6 participate in the institute.

7 (c) The executive board may appoint an advisory board consisting  
8 of persons in the community who are supportive of education to assist the  
9 executive board in marketing the institute and soliciting public and  
10 private gifts, grants, and donations for the institute. Any persons  
11 appointed to an advisory board pursuant to this ~~paragraph (c)~~ SUBSECTION  
12 (3)(c) serve without compensation and without reimbursement for  
13 expenses.

14 (d) Beginning in the 2017 regular legislative session, the  
15 executive board shall annually report to the education committees of the  
16 house of representatives and the senate, or any successor committees, the  
17 executive board's progress and success in implementing the institute. The  
18 executive board must, at a minimum, report the success of the institute as  
19 measured by the enrollment and progress of institute alumni in  
20 postsecondary educational programs.

21 **23-77-105. [Formerly 24-44.3-105] Colorado student leaders**  
22 **institute - funding - cash fund created.** (1) The general assembly shall  
23 annually appropriate ~~moneys~~ MONEY to the DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
24 EDUCATION FOR THE institute to pay the direct and indirect costs that the  
25 executive board incurs in operating the institute, including costs relating  
26 to the host institution and stipends for the institute faculty members.

27 (2) (a) In addition to the amount appropriated pursuant to

1 subsection (1) of this section, the executive board, with the assistance of  
2 an advisory board if appointed, may solicit, accept, and expend public or  
3 private gifts, grants, or donations to implement the institute. The  
4 executive board shall transmit any ~~moneys~~ MONEY that it receives  
5 pursuant to this ~~paragraph (a)~~ SUBSECTION (2)(a) and any ~~moneys~~ MONEY  
6 it receives from participating students to the state treasurer. The state  
7 treasurer shall deposit the ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the Colorado student leaders  
8 institute cash fund, referred to in this section as the "cash fund", which is  
9 created in the state treasury. Annual operation of the institute is  
10 conditional upon receiving at least forty thousand dollars in gifts, grants,  
11 or donations by June 1 of each year.

12 (b) The ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the cash fund ~~are~~ IS continuously  
13 appropriated to the executive board for the direct and indirect costs  
14 incurred in implementing the institute. The state treasurer may invest as  
15 provided by law any ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the cash fund that ~~are~~ IS not  
16 expended for the purposes of this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 77. The state treasurer  
17 shall credit to the cash fund all interest and income derived from the  
18 investment and deposit of ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the cash fund. Any  
19 unexpended and unencumbered ~~moneys~~ MONEY remaining in the cash  
20 fund at the end of a fiscal year must remain in the cash fund and shall not  
21 be credited to another fund; except that the state treasurer shall credit any  
22 unexpended and unencumbered ~~moneys~~ MONEY remaining in the fund as  
23 of June 30, 2019, to the state education fund created in section 17 (4) of  
24 article IX of the state constitution.

25 **23-77-106. [Formerly 24-44.3-106] Repeal of article.** This  
26 ~~article~~ ARTICLE 77 is repealed, effective July 1, 2019.

27 **SECTION 2. Repeal of relocated provisions in this act.** In

1 Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** article 44.3 of title 24.

2           **SECTION 3. Transfer of appropriation.** (1) For the 2017-18  
3 state fiscal year, \$218,825 of the appropriation made in the annual general  
4 appropriation act for the state fiscal year from reappropriated funds  
5 received from the department of education to the office of the governor  
6 for use by the office of the lieutenant governor for the Colorado student  
7 leaders institute pilot is transferred to the department of higher education.  
8 It is assumed that the department of higher education will require the 1.0  
9 FTE related to the office of the lieutenant governor's appropriation.

10           **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
11 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
12 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.