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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CREATION OF AN ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM FEE
102 GRANT PROGRAM IN 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>.)

Advanced placement courses are offered to high school students and reflect the information found in a college-level course. Students taking such courses have the option to take an advanced placement exam following completion of the course. Some colleges, including all state institutions in Colorado pursuant to Colorado commission on higher education policy, offer credit based on a student's advanced placement

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

1 **creation - rules.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE
2 ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM FEE GRANT PROGRAM TO INCREASE THE
3 NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS WHO TAKE ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS
4 AND RECEIVE SCORES FOR WHICH COLLEGE ACADEMIC CREDIT IS AWARDED
5 BY PROVIDING FUNDS TO HIGH SCHOOLS TO PAY ALL OR A PORTION OF
6 ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM FEES ON BEHALF OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.

7 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM IN
8 ACCORDANCE WITH STATE BOARD RULES. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

9 (a) ACCEPT AND REVIEW GRANT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM
10 HIGH SCHOOLS;

11 (b) DETERMINE THE AMOUNT, BASED ON AVAILABLE
12 APPROPRIATIONS, THAT WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH ADVANCED
13 PLACEMENT EXAM THAT WILL BE ADMINISTERED TO AN ELIGIBLE STUDENT;

14 AND

15 (c) AWARD GRANTS, AT THE AMOUNT SET FOR EACH EXAM THAT
16 WILL BE ADMINISTERED TO AN ELIGIBLE STUDENT, DETERMINED PURSUANT
17 TO SUBSECTION (2)(b) OF THIS SECTION, TO EACH HIGH SCHOOL THAT HAS
18 SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION.

19 (3) THE AMOUNT SET BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR EACH ADVANCED
20 PLACEMENT EXAM PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2)(b) OF THIS SECTION
21 MUST BE THE SAME FOR EACH EXAM, REGARDLESS OF THE SUBJECT OF THE
22 EXAM.

23 (4) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24, THE STATE BOARD SHALL
24 PROMULGATE RULES TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT PROGRAM, INCLUDING
25 RULES RELATING TO:

26 (a) THE APPLICATION PROCESS, INCLUDING APPLICATION
27 REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES;

- 1 (b) A PROCESS FOR VERIFYING STUDENT ELIGIBILITY; AND
- 2 (c) DEADLINES FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO AWARD GRANTS.
- 3 (5) A HIGH SCHOOL THAT RECEIVES AN AWARD PURSUANT TO THIS
- 4 SECTION SHALL USE THE ENTIRE AMOUNT AWARDED TO PAY ALL OR A
- 5 PORTION OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM FEES ON BEHALF OF ELIGIBLE
- 6 STUDENTS WHO WILL TAKE AN ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM IN THE
- 7 AMOUNT SET FOR EACH EXAM BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO
- 8 SUBSECTION (2)(b) OF THIS SECTION.

9 **22-95.5-103. Reporting requirements.** IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT
10 BEFORE THE HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE PURSUANT
11 TO SECTION 2-7-203, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION
12 DESCRIBING THE GRANTS AWARDED THROUGH THE GRANT PROGRAM
13 DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR.

14 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-95-102, **amend**
15 (3)(d) as follows:

16 **22-95-102. Advanced placement incentives pilot program -**
17 **creation - administration - teacher incentives.** (3) Regardless of the
18 outcome of the advanced placement exams taken, for each student who
19 completes an advanced placement class and who subsequently takes the
20 advanced placement exam, the department shall distribute to the rural
21 school five hundred dollars to be used for:

- 22 (d) Paying the advanced placement exam fee for each student who
- 23 takes the advanced placement exam and participates in the school lunch
- 24 program, unless the exam fee is covered by a STATE OR federal grant
- 25 program; and

26 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
27 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

1 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
2 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a
3 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
4 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
5 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
6 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
7 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
8 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.