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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING MEASURES TO EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO**
102 **EARN POSTSECONDARY COURSE CREDIT WHILE ENROLLED IN**
103 **HIGH SCHOOL.**

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 bill clarifies the differences between concurrent enrollment, dual enrollment programs, and other programs that enable a student to earn postsecondary credits while the student is enrolled in high school. Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, each school district, charter school, and public school operated by a board of cooperative services (local

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education provider) that enrolls students in grades 9 through 12 is required to provide the opportunity for concurrent enrollment. A local education provider cannot unreasonably deny approval for concurrent enrollment or limit the number of postsecondary courses in which a qualified student may enroll unless the local education provider is unable to provide access due to technological capacity.

The bill clarifies the information that a local education provider must provide to qualified students and their parents concerning concurrent enrollment, dual enrollment programs, the transferability of postsecondary course credits, and the costs that a qualified student or the student's parent may incur by enrolling in a postsecondary course through concurrent enrollment or a dual enrollment program. The bill clarifies that a qualified student and the student's parent are not required to pay tuition for concurrent enrollment or for enrolling in a postsecondary course through a pathways in technology early college high school, commonly known as a p-tech school.

The bill requires the department of education and the department of higher education to create a concurrent enrollment website to provide information to the public concerning the various types of programs available to enable students to earn postsecondary credits while enrolled in high school.

The bill creates the concurrent enrollment expansion and innovation grant program to provide grants to local education providers to use in starting to offer concurrent enrollment or expanding the availability of concurrent enrollment. The department of education must administer the grant program, including providing an annual report that explains how the grant money is used, who is enrolling in concurrent enrollment and the types of courses they are enrolling in, and the number and transferability of postsecondary credits earned through concurrent enrollment. The department must submit the report to the state board of education, the department of higher education, the Colorado commission on higher education, and the education committees of the general assembly. The department must also post the report to the concurrent enrollment website.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-35-103, **amend**
3 (6); and **add** (9.5) as follows:

4 **22-35-103. Definitions.** As used in this article 35, unless the
5 context otherwise requires:

1 (6) (a) "Concurrent enrollment" means the simultaneous
2 enrollment of a qualified student in a local education provider and in one
3 or more postsecondary courses, including academic or career and
4 technical education courses, which may include course work related to
5 apprenticeship programs or internship programs, at an institution of
6 higher education pursuant to the provisions of this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 35, AT
7 NO TUITION COST TO THE QUALIFIED STUDENT OR THE QUALIFIED
8 STUDENT'S PARENT. AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-35-104 (5) AND
9 (6)(b)(II), UPON SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING A CONCURRENT
10 ENROLLMENT POSTSECONDARY COURSE, THE QUALIFIED STUDENT MUST
11 RECEIVE CREDIT THAT APPLIES TO COMPLETION OF HIGH SCHOOL
12 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND POSTSECONDARY CREDIT THAT APPLIES
13 TOWARD COMPLETION OF BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENTS OR REQUIREMENTS
14 FOR COMPLETION OF A POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE OR DEGREE
15 PROGRAM AT ONE OR MORE COLORADO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
16 EDUCATION.

17 (b) "Concurrent enrollment" does not include a student's
18 simultaneous enrollment in:

19 (I) A local education provider and in one or more secondary
20 career and technical education courses, ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES,
21 OR INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES;

22 (II) AN EARLY COLLEGE AND A POSTSECONDARY COURSE;

23 (III) A P-TECH SCHOOL, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-35.3-102, AND
24 A POSTSECONDARY COURSE; OR

25 (IV) A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER AND A DUAL ENROLLMENT
26 PROGRAM.

27 (9.5) "DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM" MEANS A PROGRAM OF

1 OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION ADMINISTERED DIRECTLY BY AN INSTITUTION
2 OF HIGHER EDUCATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-1-109 THROUGH WHICH
3 A STUDENT MAY ENROLL IN ONE OR MORE POSTSECONDARY COURSES. A
4 STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S PARENT MAY BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE COST
5 OF TUITION FOR A DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM. THE CREDIT THAT A
6 STUDENT RECEIVES UPON COMPLETION OF A COURSE THROUGH A DUAL
7 ENROLLMENT PROGRAM MAY OR MAY NOT APPLY TO COMPLETION OF HIGH
8 SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND MAY OR MAY NOT APPLY TO
9 REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF A POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE OR
10 DEGREE PROGRAM AT ONE OR MORE COLORADO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
11 EDUCATION.

12 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-35-104, **amend**
13 (1)(a), (1)(b), (6)(b)(I), and (6)(b)(II) as follows:

14 **22-35-104. Enrollment in an institution of higher education -**
15 **cooperative agreement.** (1) (a) (I) BEGINNING IN THE 2020-21 SCHOOL
16 YEAR AND IN EACH SCHOOL YEAR THEREAFTER, EACH LOCAL EDUCATION
17 PROVIDER THAT ENROLLS STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE
18 SHALL PROVIDE THOSE STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONCURRENTLY
19 ENROLL IN POSTSECONDARY COURSES, INCLUDING ACADEMIC COURSES
20 AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE
21 COURSE WORK RELATED TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS OR INTERNSHIP
22 PROGRAMS, AS PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE 35.

23 (II) A qualified student enrolled in a high school of a school
24 district who ~~has applied to and received~~ APPLIES TO AND RECEIVES
25 approval from the superintendent of the school district or ~~his or her~~ THE
26 SUPERINTENDENT'S designee, or a qualified student enrolled in a district
27 charter school, an institute charter school, or a high school of a BOCES

1 who ~~has applied to and received~~ APPLIES TO AND RECEIVES approval from
2 the chief administrator of the district charter school, an institute charter
3 school, or a high school of a BOCES, pursuant to subsection (2) of this
4 section may register with and concurrently enroll in an institution of
5 higher education in accordance with the provisions of this ~~article~~ ARTICLE
6 35. A SUPERINTENDENT, THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESIGNEE, OR THE CHIEF
7 ADMINISTRATOR OF A SCHOOL SHALL NOT UNREASONABLY DENY A
8 QUALIFIED STUDENT APPROVAL TO CONCURRENTLY ENROLL IN
9 POSTSECONDARY COURSES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 35.

10 (III) EXCEPT AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS (1)(c) AND (1)(d) OF
11 THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 22-35-108 AND 22-35-109, A LOCAL
12 EDUCATION PROVIDER SHALL NOT LIMIT THE NUMBER OF POSTSECONDARY
13 COURSES, INCLUDING ACADEMIC COURSES AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL
14 EDUCATION COURSES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE COURSE WORK RELATED TO
15 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS OR INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, IN WHICH A
16 QUALIFIED STUDENT MAY CONCURRENTLY ENROLL DURING THE NINTH,
17 TENTH, ELEVENTH, OR TWELFTH GRADE, EXCEPT TO THE DEGREE THAT THE
18 LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE
19 POSTSECONDARY COURSES DUE TO TECHNOLOGICAL CAPACITY.

20 (b) (I) Each local education provider shall annually notify all
21 students and parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in the local
22 education provider of the opportunity for concurrent enrollment AND, IF
23 OFFERED BY THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR
24 ENROLLMENT IN A DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM, by qualified students in
25 postsecondary courses, including academic courses and career and
26 technical education courses, including course work related to
27 apprenticeship programs and internship programs. The notice provided

1 pursuant to this subsection (1)(b)(I) must include the local education
2 provider's timelines affecting student eligibility for concurrent enrollment
3 courses AND DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSES and a statement
4 informing students that they may significantly reduce their college
5 expenses, increase the likelihood that they will complete college, and earn
6 marketable workforce skills by taking concurrent enrollment OR DUAL
7 ENROLLMENT PROGRAM courses. IN PROVIDING NOTICE OF CONCURRENT
8 ENROLLMENT AND DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES, A LOCAL
9 EDUCATION PROVIDER AND AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL
10 USE THE PROPER TERMINOLOGY AND SHALL NOT REFER TO A DUAL
11 ENROLLMENT PROGRAM AS CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IF THE DUAL
12 ENROLLMENT PROGRAM DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF CONCURRENT
13 ENROLLMENT.

14 (II) At least six weeks prior to the beginning of the enrollment
15 period for postsecondary concurrent enrollment OR DUAL ENROLLMENT
16 PROGRAM courses, the local education provider shall provide to each
17 student and the ~~parents~~ PARENT or legal guardian of the student written
18 notice, which notice may be sent electronically, of:

19 (A) All postsecondary courses offered ~~at a~~ FOR CONCURRENT
20 ENROLLMENT AT NO TUITION COST TO THE QUALIFIED STUDENT OR THE
21 QUALIFIED STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN AT THE local
22 education provider's facility, ~~and the cost to the student of each course, as~~
23 ~~well as~~ options for enrolling in CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT courses AT NO
24 TUITION COST TO THE QUALIFIED STUDENT OR THE QUALIFIED STUDENT'S
25 PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN at an institution of higher education's
26 facility, ~~and the~~ ANY ANTICIPATED cost to the QUALIFIED student ~~of~~ FOR
27 FEES OR BOOKS FOR those courses, ~~This subsection (1)(b)(II) applies to all~~

1 ~~postsecondary courses available to the student regardless of whether the~~
2 ~~courses meet the requirements of this section~~ AND THE NUMBER AND
3 TRANSFERABILITY OF COURSE CREDITS THAT A QUALIFIED STUDENT MAY
4 EARN BY ENROLLING IN THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSES; AND

5 (B) ALL POSTSECONDARY COURSES OFFERED THROUGH A DUAL
6 ENROLLMENT PROGRAM AT THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER'S FACILITY,
7 OPTIONS FOR ENROLLING IN THE DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSES
8 AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION'S FACILITY, THE COST TO A
9 STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF ENROLLING
10 IN THE DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSES, AND THE NUMBER AND
11 TRANSFERABILITY OF COURSE CREDITS THAT A STUDENT MAY EARN BY
12 ENROLLING IN THE DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSES.

13 (III) At the time of enrollment, each local education provider shall
14 notify the student and the STUDENT'S parent or legal guardian ~~of the~~
15 ~~student~~ if the postsecondary course in which the student is enrolling
16 ~~including a postsecondary course offered as part of a program of~~
17 ~~off-campus instruction pursuant to section 23-1-109, does not meet the~~
18 ~~requirements of this section~~ IS A CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSE THAT
19 DOES NOT RESULT IN POSTSECONDARY CREDIT THAT IS APPROVED FOR
20 STATEWIDE TRANSFER PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-1-125.

21 (IV) AT THE TIME OF ENROLLMENT EACH LOCAL EDUCATION
22 PROVIDER SHALL NOTIFY THE STUDENT AND THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR
23 LEGAL GUARDIAN IF THE POSTSECONDARY COURSE IN WHICH THE STUDENT
24 IS ENROLLING IS A DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSE THAT DOES NOT
25 RESULT IN POSTSECONDARY CREDIT THAT IS APPLICABLE TOWARD
26 COMPLETION OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE
27 OR DEGREE OR THAT IS APPROVED FOR STATEWIDE TRANSFER PURSUANT

1 TO SECTION 23-1-125. THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER SHALL ALSO
2 NOTIFY THE STUDENT AND THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
3 IF THE STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IS
4 REQUIRED TO PAY TUITION FOR THE DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM COURSE.

5 (V) The notice DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS (1)(b)(III) AND
6 (1)(b)(IV) OF THIS SECTION must include information about other
7 postsecondary courses available to the student ~~pursuant to this section~~
8 THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OR, IF OFFERED BY THE LOCAL
9 EDUCATION PROVIDER, DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS at low or no cost
10 to the student, that are credit-bearing and applicable toward earning a
11 degree or certificate at ~~an~~ THE institution of higher education OFFERING
12 THE COURSE or at ~~any~~ ANOTHER institution of higher education if the
13 course is approved for statewide transfer pursuant to section 23-1-125.
14 ~~The institution of higher education offering the postsecondary course~~
15 ~~shall inform the local education provider as to whether the postsecondary~~
16 ~~course meets the requirements of this section.~~

17 (VI) THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT OFFERS A
18 POSTSECONDARY COURSE THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OR
19 THROUGH A DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM SHALL INFORM THE LOCAL
20 EDUCATION PROVIDER AS TO THE NUMBER AND TRANSFERABILITY OF THE
21 COURSE CREDITS, ANY ANTICIPATED COSTS OF FEES OR BOOKS FOR THE
22 COURSE, AND, FOR A DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSE, WHETHER THE
23 QUALIFIED STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IS REQUIRED TO PAY
24 TUITION AND THE AMOUNT OF THE TUITION.

25 (6) (b) A cooperative agreement must include, but need not be
26 limited to:

27 (I) The amount AND TRANSFERABILITY of academic credit to be

1 granted for course work successfully completed by a qualified student
2 concurrently enrolled in the institution of higher education;

3 (II) A requirement that course work completed by a qualified
4 student through concurrent enrollment at the institution of higher
5 education qualify as basic skills credit or academic credit applicable
6 toward earning a degree or certificate at the institution AND AT ONE OR
7 MORE ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE STATE;

8 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-35-105, **repeal**
9 (3)(b) as follows:

10 **22-35-105. Financial provisions - payment of tuition.**

11 ~~(3) (b) Nothing in this subsection (3) shall be interpreted to prohibit an~~
12 ~~institution of higher education from charging tuition or associated fees to~~
13 ~~a qualified student or his or her parent or legal guardian in addition to the~~
14 ~~tuition paid by the student's local education provider to the institution~~
15 ~~pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (3).~~

16 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-35-113 and
17 22-35-114 as follows:

18 **22-35-113. Concurrent enrollment - website.** (1) BY JULY 1,
19 2020, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER
20 EDUCATION, WITH ADVICE FROM THE BOARD, SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO
21 THE PUBLIC A CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT WEBSITE TO PROVIDE
22 INFORMATION TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS CONCERNING CONCURRENT
23 ENROLLMENT OPTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS. THE DEPARTMENTS MUST
24 ENSURE THAT THE WEBSITE IS CLEAR, EASY TO NAVIGATE, AND
25 GENERALLY USER-FRIENDLY. IN ADDITION, THE WEBSITE MUST AT A
26 MINIMUM:

27 (a) EXPLAIN, COMPARE, AND CONTRAST CONCURRENT

1 ENROLLMENT; DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS; EARLY COLLEGE; THE
2 ASCENT PROGRAM; P-TECH HIGH SCHOOLS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
3 22-35.3-102; INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS; AND
4 ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES;

5 (b) EXPLAIN THE CHALLENGES, BENEFITS, AND COSTS OF
6 PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAMS LISTED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS
7 SECTION;

8 (c) PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING CONCURRENT
9 ENROLLMENT IN COURSE WORK RELATED TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS
10 OR INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE POSTSECONDARY CREDIT
11 AVAILABLE FOR COMPLETING THE COURSE WORK;

12 (d) PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY
13 REQUIREMENTS AND THE GENERAL PROCEDURE TO APPLY TO PARTICIPATE
14 IN CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT AND, WHERE AVAILABLE, LINKS TO
15 INFORMATION ON LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER WEBSITES CONCERNING
16 PARTICIPATION IN CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT;

17 (e) PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING CONCURRENTLY
18 ENROLLING IN POSTSECONDARY COURSES AS ONLINE OR BLENDED
19 LEARNING COURSES, INCLUDING THE POSTSECONDARY COURSES
20 AVAILABLE THROUGH THE STATEWIDE SUPPLEMENTAL ONLINE AND
21 BLENDED LEARNING PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-5-119;

22 (f) PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF THE
23 COSTS OF CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT, INCLUDING TUITION, FEES, BOOKS,
24 AND TRANSPORTATION;

25 (g) EXPLAIN THE TRANSFERABILITY OF POSTSECONDARY CREDITS
26 EARNED THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT, INCLUDING ANY LIMITS ON
27 TRANSFERRING THE CREDITS;

1 (h) PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE COSTS OF ENROLLING
2 IN POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, INCLUDING CAREER AND TECHNICAL
3 EDUCATION COURSES AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS, FOLLOWING HIGH
4 SCHOOL GRADUATION; AND

5 (i) PROVIDE A LINK TO INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE COLORADO
6 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CONCERNING APPRENTICESHIP
7 PROGRAMS, INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, AND THE ANNUAL COLORADO TALENT
8 REPORT PRODUCED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-46.3-103.

9 **22-35-114. Concurrent enrollment expansion and innovation**
10 **grant program - created - report - rules.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE
11 DEPARTMENT THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT EXPANSION AND
12 INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATION
13 PROVIDERS THAT SEEK TO BEGIN OFFERING, OR TO EXPAND THEIR
14 CAPACITY TO OFFER, CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO
15 QUALIFIED STUDENTS. A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER THAT SEEKS A
16 GRANT MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT IN
17 ACCORDANCE WITH RULES OF THE STATE BOARD. THE APPLICATION MUST
18 INCLUDE:

19 (a) THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN
20 CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN EACH OF THE PRECEDING FIVE SCHOOL
21 YEARS, INCLUDING THE TYPES OF POSTSECONDARY COURSES IN WHICH
22 QUALIFIED STUDENTS ENROLLED, INCLUDING ACADEMIC AND CAREER AND
23 TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES, WHICH MAY HAVE INCLUDED COURSE
24 WORK RELATED TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND INTERNSHIP
25 PROGRAMS; THE NUMBER OF POSTSECONDARY CREDITS EARNED; AND
26 WHETHER THE POSTSECONDARY CREDITS WERE GENERALLY
27 TRANSFERABLE TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION THROUGHOUT

1 THE STATE;

2 (b) THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED STUDENTS WHO APPLIED FOR
3 CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN EACH OF THE PRECEDING FIVE SCHOOL
4 YEARS BUT WERE DENIED AND THE REASONS FOR THE DENIALS;

5 (c) THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH WHICH THE
6 LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER HAS A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND THE
7 FINANCIAL TERMS OF EACH COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT;

8 (d) THE MANNER IN WHICH THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER
9 PUBLICIZES THE AVAILABILITY OF CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT TO ITS
10 STUDENTS AND THE AMOUNT OF COUNSELING PROVIDED TO STUDENTS AND
11 THEIR PARENTS CONCERNING THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF CONCURRENT
12 ENROLLMENT AND THE TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS OBTAINED THROUGH
13 CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT;

14 (e) A DESCRIPTION OF THE MANNER IN WHICH THE LOCAL
15 EDUCATION PROVIDER PLANS TO USE THE GRANT MONEY TO EXPAND THE
16 NUMBER OF QUALIFIED STUDENTS CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN
17 POSTSECONDARY COURSES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE ASSISTING ONE OR MORE
18 TEACHERS WITH THE COST OF OBTAINING A GRADUATE DEGREE IN A
19 SPECIFIC SUBJECT SO THAT THE TEACHER MAY BE CERTIFIED TO TEACH A
20 POSTSECONDARY COURSE AT A HIGH SCHOOL; AND

21 (f) ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY RULE OF THE
22 STATE BOARD, INCLUDING INFORMATION THAT DEMONSTRATES THE
23 APPLICANT'S NEED FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CONCURRENT
24 ENROLLMENT AND THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE APPLICANT'S USE OF THE
25 GRANT WILL INCREASE THE PARTICIPATION OF LOW-INCOME OR
26 FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS IN CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT.

27 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REVIEW EACH GRANT APPLICATION

1 RECEIVED AND RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD APPLICANTS THAT MAY
2 RECEIVE GRANTS AND THE RECOMMENDED AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT.
3 BEGINNING IN THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE
4 APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE BOARD, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE
5 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO
6 APPLYING LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. IN
7 MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS AND AWARDED GRANTS, THE DEPARTMENT
8 AND THE STATE BOARD SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATION
9 PROVIDERS THAT:

10 (a) DO NOT PROVIDE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OR
11 CONCURRENTLY ENROLL FEW QUALIFIED STUDENTS AT THE TIME OF
12 APPLICATION;

13 (b) DEMONSTRATE THE GREATEST DEGREE OF NEED FOR FINANCIAL
14 SUPPORT TO EXPAND CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT;

15 (c) DEMONSTRATE THE MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF THE GRANT
16 MONEY TO PROVIDE THE GREATEST EXPANSION OF CONCURRENT
17 ENROLLMENT, WHICH MAY INCLUDE EXPANDING BY USING
18 TECHNOLOGICAL STRATEGIES OR PARTNERING WITH THE STATEWIDE
19 SUPPLEMENTAL ONLINE AND BLENDED LEARNING PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN
20 SECTION 22-5-119 AND MUST INCLUDE EXPANDING THE PARTICIPATION OF
21 LOW-INCOME OR FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS IN CONCURRENT
22 ENROLLMENT;

23 (d) HAVE DEMONSTRATED SUCCESS IN PROVIDING CONCURRENT
24 ENROLLMENT TO A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THE QUALIFIED STUDENTS
25 ENROLLED BY THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS AND ARE SEEKING TO
26 IMPLEMENT INNOVATIONS TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED
27 STUDENTS CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED; OR

1 (e) HAVE WORKED WITH, OR HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE TO WORK
2 WITH, INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT COURSE
3 WORK RELATED TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND INTERNSHIP
4 PROGRAMS IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE TRANSFERABLE POSTSECONDARY
5 COURSE CREDITS.

6 (3) (a) EACH LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER THAT RECEIVES A
7 GRANT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT
8 THE MANNER IN WHICH IT USES THE GRANT MONEY AND ANY OTHER
9 INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO PREPARE THE REPORT
10 REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (3)(b) OF THIS SECTION.

11 (b) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2022, AND ON OR BEFORE
12 FEBRUARY 1 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE
13 A REPORT CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCURRENT
14 ENROLLMENT EXPANSION AND INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM. AT A
15 MINIMUM, THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE:

16 (I) THE GRANT RECIPIENTS AND THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT
17 AWARDED TO EACH RECIPIENT;

18 (II) THE MANNER IN WHICH EACH GRANT RECIPIENT USED THE
19 GRANT MONEY RECEIVED; AND

20 (III) THE NUMBER AND DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE QUALIFIED
21 STUDENTS CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN POSTSECONDARY COURSES IN
22 THE SCHOOL YEARS BEFORE AND AFTER THE GRANT RECIPIENT RECEIVED
23 THE GRANT;

24 (IV) THE TYPES OF POSTSECONDARY COURSES, INCLUDING CAREER
25 AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES AND ANY COURSE WORK RELATED
26 TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, IN WHICH
27 QUALIFIED STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL YEARS BEFORE AND

1 AFTER THE GRANT RECIPIENT RECEIVED THE GRANT; AND

2 (V) THE NUMBER AND TRANSFERABILITY OF THE POSTSECONDARY
3 CREDITS EARNED THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN THE SCHOOL
4 YEARS BEFORE AND AFTER THE GRANT RECIPIENT RECEIVED THE GRANT.

5 (c) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE STATE
6 BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE COMMISSION, AND
7 THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
8 THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
9 ALSO POST THE REPORT ON THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT WEBSITE
10 CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-35-113.

11 (d) NOTWITHSTANDING THE REQUIREMENT IN SECTION 24-1-136
12 (11)(a)(I), THE REPORT REQUIRED IN THIS SUBSECTION (3) CONTINUES
13 INDEFINITELY.

14 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-35.3-104, **add** (3)
15 as follows:

16 **22-35.3-104. P-tech schools - funding.** (3) A STUDENT WHO IS
17 ENROLLED IN A P-TECH SCHOOL THAT IS APPROVED PURSUANT TO SECTION
18 22-35.3-103 AND IS SIMULTANEOUSLY ENROLLED IN ONE OR MORE
19 POSTSECONDARY COURSES, INCLUDING ACADEMIC OR CAREER AND
20 TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES, AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE AS PART OF
21 THE P-TECH PROGRAM IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY TUITION FOR THE
22 POSTSECONDARY COURSES IN ANY OF GRADES NINE THROUGH FOURTEEN.

23 **SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
24 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
25 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
26 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a
27 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the

1 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
2 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
3 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
4 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
5 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.