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**SENATE BILL 21-008**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING REMOVING THE WORD "JUNIOR" FROM THE NAME OF**  
102      **CERTAIN COLLEGES.**

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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 bill changes the names of the following colleges:

- Trinidad state junior college to Trinidad state college;
- Otero junior college to Otero college; and
- Northeastern junior college to Northeastern college.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 23-60-205 as  
3 follows:

4 **23-60-205. Community and technical colleges.** The state system  
5 of community and technical colleges ~~shall include~~ INCLUDES: Arapahoe  
6 community college, Colorado Northwestern community college, the  
7 community college of Aurora, the community college of Denver, Front  
8 Range community college, Lamar community college, Morgan  
9 community college, ~~northeastern junior~~ NORTHEASTERN college, Otero  
10 ~~junior~~ college, Pikes Peak community college, Pueblo community college,  
11 Red Rocks community college, Trinidad state ~~junior~~ college, and  
12 Colorado community college and occupational education system college.  
13 ~~The state system of community and technical colleges shall be governed~~  
14 ~~by~~ The state board for community colleges and occupational education  
15 GOVERNS THE STATE SYSTEM OF COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES.

16 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 23-60-212 as  
17 follows:

18 **23-60-212. Northeastern college - golf course and restaurant**  
19 **- positions of employment.** Positions of employment for the operation of  
20 the golf course and restaurant that are owned and operated by  
21 Northeastern ~~junior~~ college and open to the public, known commonly as  
22 the "Northeastern 18" and the "Plainsman Grill and Steakhouse", and any  
23 successor businesses, are exempt from the state personnel system.

24 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-54.6-102, **amend**  
25 the introductory portion and (5) as follows:

26 **24-54.6-102. Definitions.** As used in this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 54.6,  
27 unless the context otherwise requires:

1           (5) "State college or university" means any postsecondary  
2 educational institution, including local district colleges, established and  
3 existing pursuant to title 23, ~~C.R.S.~~, as an agency of the state of Colorado  
4 and supported wholly or in part by tax revenues and includes the Auraria  
5 higher education center. For purposes of this subsection (5), "local district  
6 college" shall include Aims community college, Colorado mountain  
7 college, ~~northeastern junior~~ NORTHEASTERN college, and Colorado  
8 Northwestern community college.

9           **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-30-702, **amend**  
10 (4) introductory portion and (4)(a) as follows:

11           **44-30-702. Revenues attributable to local revisions to gaming**  
12 **limits - extended limited gaming fund - identification - separate**  
13 **administration - distribution - definitions - legislative declaration.**

14 (4) **Definitions.** As used in this section, UNLESS THE CONTEXT  
15 OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

16           (a) "Colleges that were operating on and after January 1, 2008"  
17 means: Aims community college, Arapahoe community college, Colorado  
18 mountain college, Colorado Northwestern community college, the  
19 community college of Aurora, the community college of Denver, Front  
20 Range community college, Lamar community college, Morgan  
21 community college, Northeastern ~~junior~~ college, Otero ~~junior~~ college,  
22 Pikes Peak community college, Pueblo community college, Red Rocks  
23 community college, Trinidad state ~~junior~~ college, the two-year role and  
24 mission of Colorado Mesa university, currently referred to as Western  
25 Colorado community college division of Colorado Mesa university, the  
26 two-year academic role and mission of Adams state university, and the  
27 state board for community colleges and occupational education, for so

1 long as each such college or board continues operating.

2           **SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
5 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
6 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
7 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
8 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
9 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
10 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.