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**SENATE BILL 23-065**

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**Lundeen and Bridges,**

**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT SUCCESS**  
102              **PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN**  
103              **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>.)*

For the career development success program (program), the bill removes the requirement for successful completion of a qualified industry pre-apprenticeship program and the requirement for successful completion of a qualified industry apprenticeship.

Current law requires the general assembly to annually appropriate

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

\$1 million to the department of education for the program. Beginning in the 2023-24 budget year, and each budget year thereafter, the bill increase the appropriation to \$10 million.

The bill requires a school district or charter school participating in the program to receive 120% of the per-pupil amount for each pupil who is eligible for free or reduced-price lunch and who successfully earned an industry certificate by completing a qualified industry-credential program, a qualified workplace training program, or a qualified advanced placement course.

The bill authorizes a participating school district or participating charter school to contract with a third party to provide specified services under the program.

The bill extends the repeal date from September 1, 2024, to September 1, 2034.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-54-138, **amend**  
3 (1)(i)(III), (1)(j), (5)(a), (8.7) and (9); **repeal** (4)(d) and (4)(e); and **add**  
4 (1)(i)(IV), (5)(e), and (5)(f) as follows:

5 **22-54-138. Career development success program - created -**  
6 **funding - report - legislative declaration - definitions - repeal.** (1) As  
7 used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

8 (i) "Qualified industry-credential program" means a career and  
9 technical education program that:

10 (III) Is identified by the Colorado work force development council  
11 as provided in subsection (3) of this section; OR

12 (IV) A CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, A  
13 CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, OR ANY OTHER  
14 INDUSTRY APPRENTICESHIP OR PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM THAT IS  
15 IDENTIFIED BY THE COLORADO WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AS  
16 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.

17 (j) "Qualified workplace training program" means an internship

1 program. ~~a construction industry apprenticeship program, a construction~~  
2 ~~industry pre-apprenticeship program, or any other industry apprenticeship~~  
3 ~~or pre-apprenticeship program that is identified by the Colorado work~~  
4 ~~force development council as provided in subsection (3) of this section.~~

5 (4) (d) ~~A pupil successfully completes a qualified industry~~  
6 ~~pre-apprenticeship program if the student completes the course~~  
7 ~~requirements of the program with a passing grade and is accepted into an~~  
8 ~~industry apprenticeship program as a registered apprentice.~~

9 (e) ~~A pupil may be reported as successfully completing a qualified~~  
10 ~~industry apprenticeship if the pupil is accepted as a registered apprentice~~  
11 ~~in an industry apprenticeship program and employed in the industry.~~

12 (5) (a) Beginning in the ~~2017-18~~ **2023-24** budget year and each  
13 budget year thereafter, the general assembly shall annually appropriate at  
14 least ~~one~~ NINE million FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND dollars to the department  
15 of education for the career development success program. The department  
16 shall distribute the money as provided in this subsection (5).

17 (e) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE A  
18 PARTICIPATING DISTRICT OR PARTICIPATING CHARTER SCHOOL ONE  
19 HUNDRED TWENTY PERCENT OF THE PER-PUPIL AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED  
20 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5) FOR EACH PUPIL WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR  
21 FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL "RICHARD B.  
22 RUSSELL NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 1751 ET SEQ.,  
23 AND WHO SUCCESSFULLY EARNED AN INDUSTRY CERTIFICATE BY  
24 COMPLETING A QUALIFIED INDUSTRY-CREDENTIAL PROGRAM, A QUALIFIED  
25 WORKPLACE TRAINING PROGRAM, OR A QUALIFIED ADVANCED PLACEMENT  
26 COURSE.

27 (f) (I) FOR THE 2023-24 BUDGET YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF

1 EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF MONEY EQUAL  
2 TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF PER PUPIL MONEY AWARDED PURSUANT TO  
3 SUBSECTION (5)(b)(I) OF THIS SECTION TO ANY PARTICIPATING DISTRICT,  
4 PARTICIPATING CHARTER SCHOOL, THE INSTITUTE ON BEHALF OF EACH  
5 PARTICIPATING INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, AND PARTICIPATING BOARD  
6 OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES THAT DEMONSTRATES, AS OF THE 2023-24  
7 SCHOOL YEAR, THAT ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ENROLL IN AND  
8 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE QUALIFIED  
9 INDUSTRY-CREDENTIAL PROGRAM; ONE QUALIFIED WORKPLACE TRAINING  
10 PROGRAM; OR ONE QUALIFIED ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE PRIOR TO  
11 GRADUATION. A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ALSO RECEIVE MONEY FOR AN  
12 INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT CAN  
13 DEMONSTRATE SUCH REQUIREMENTS.

14 (II) FOR THE 2023-24 BUDGET YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF  
15 EDUCATION SHALL USE FIVE MILLION DOLLARS OF THE MONEY  
16 APPROPRIATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE  
17 PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (5)(f). ANY MONEY RECEIVED PURSUANT  
18 TO THIS SUBSECTION (5)(f) MUST BE USED TO PROMOTE THE AVAILABILITY  
19 OF QUALIFIED INDUSTRY-CREDENTIAL PROGRAMS, QUALIFIED WORKPLACE  
20 TRAINING PROGRAMS, AND QUALIFIED ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES.  
21 THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MAY REALLOCATE ANY REMAINING  
22 MONEY RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5)(f) FOR THE  
23 PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (5)(b)(I) OF THIS SECTION.

24 (III) THIS SUBSECTION (5)(f) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
25 2024.

26 (8.7) (a) A participating district or participating charter school  
27 shall utilize the money received pursuant to subsection (5) of this section

1 to promote access to qualified industry-credential programs; qualified  
2 workplace training programs; and qualified advanced placement courses,  
3 which may include:

4 (a) (I) Working with local workforce boards to determine the  
5 programs and courses that will help to meet local workforce needs;

6 (b) (II) Communicating with students and the students' families  
7 about the programs and courses in a language that the students and the  
8 students' families understand;

9 (c) (III) Purchasing and maintaining equipment and supplies for  
10 the programs and courses, which may include the cost of examinations  
11 related to such programs and courses; and

12 (d) (IV) Assisting students, including students who are eligible for  
13 free or reduced-price lunch pursuant to the federal "Richard B. Russell  
14 National School Lunch Act", 42 U.S.C. sec. 1751 et seq., students with  
15 disabilities, and students who are English language learners, with the  
16 support needed to access and succeed in the programs and courses.

17 (b) A PARTICIPATING SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PARTICIPATING  
18 CHARTER SCHOOL MAY CONTRACT WITH A THIRD PARTY TO PROVIDE THE  
19 SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (8.7).

20 (9) This section is repealed, effective ~~September 1, 2024~~  
21 SEPTEMBER 1, 2034.

22 **SECTION 2. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2023-24 state fiscal  
23 year, \$5,000,000 is appropriated to the department of education. This  
24 appropriation is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that  
25 the department will require an additional 0.9 FTE. To implement this act,  
26 the department may use this appropriation for the career development  
27 success program.

1           **SECTION 3. 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.