Bill No.	Short Title	FI	Sponsors	Description	Status
House Bills					
HB13-1004	Colorado Careers Act of 2013	FI	Duran & Melton / Kerr	Creates the career pathways program at CDLE. The program provides grants to eligible entities to enable individuals to acquire skills necessary to obtain or improve their employability. Current law requires the department of higher education (department) to produce a report on workforce needs and credential production. The bill includes local workforce investment boards in the description of entities with whom the department should consult to prepare the report. The report shall include the employment status of persons who have graduated in each of the previous five years, whether the degree is consistent with the employment status, salary information, and employment benefits.	1/09/13- H-Intro 2/7/13- H-BUS H-BUS refer amended to H-APP
HB13-1005	Basic Ed & Career & Tech Ed Pilot Program	FI	Fields & Buckner / Todd	ESTF Bill, requires the CCCS to design new certificate programs to allow certain unemployed or underemployed adults to obtain a career and technical education certificate in 12 months or less. The certificate programs will be offered as a pilot program, and are intended to integrate information and math literacy development with career and technical training. (\$131,300 FFS) Examples of programs include certified nursing assistants, welding, early childhood education, EMT training, and wind technician.	1/09/13- H-Intro 1/30/13- H-ED H-ED refer amended to H-APP
HB13-1026	WICHE Equipment & Renovations Fee Approp Reqmnt	FI	Fischer / Schwartz (CDC Bill)	CDC bill eliminates the requirement that an appropriation be made prior to spending a student fee assessed to out-of-state students that attend the veterinary medicine school at Colorado State University (CSU). Non-resident veterinary medicine students, including those students enrolled through WICHE, are assessed a \$1,001 annual fee to be used for facility renovations and equipment purchases. Allows for streamlined approval.	1/09/13- H-Intro 1/16/13- H-SA 1/22/13- H-2nd (Passed) 1/23/13- H-3rd (Passed) 2/8/13- S-Intro 2/21/13- S-ED 2/26/13- S-2nd (Passed) 2/27/13- S-3rd (Passed)
HB13-1057	Retain Avalanche Information Center in DNR	FI	Mitsch Bush / Nicholson	CGS is scheduled to transfer to the Colorado School of Mines 1/31/13. This transfer results from House Bill 12-1355, and a MOU between the president of the university and DNR. This bill retains the functions of the Colorado Avalanche Information Center (CAIC), currently part of the CGS, in the DNR.	Governor - Signed
HB13-1089	Academic Freedom Act	-NFI	Humphrey / Renfree	Direct teachers to create an environment that encourages students to intelligently and respectfully explore scientific questions and learn about scientific evidence related to biological and chemical evolution, global warming, and human cloning. Direct CDE and CCHE to notify all school districts and institutions of higher education of the provisions of their respective act by the beginning of the 2013-2014 school-year and that the school districts and institutions of higher education shall disseminate that information to their employees.	1/16/13- H-Intro 2/4/13- H-ED H-ED Postpone Indefinitely

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HB13-1122	Incentive Well-Sev Tax Holiday- & Higher Ed Funding	타	Scott / -	For 2 years beginning on July 1, 2013, the bill exempts oil and gas from a well that begins production during the 2-year exemption period (incentive well) from the severance tax. At the end of the exemption period, the oil and gas produced from an incentive well is subject to the severance tax, but the tax associated with the incentive well is not distributed in the same manner as the revenue from other wells. Instead, this revenue is deposited in the college opportunity fund.	1/18/13- H-Intro 2/11/13- H-SA H-SA Postpone Indefinitely
HB13-1147	Voter Registration at Public Higher Ed Institutions	i	Melton / Newell	The bill requires a state institution of higher education to provide its students, when a student registers at the institution for the first time, the opportunity to apply for voter registration.	1/18/13- H-Intro Assign- H-SA 2/25/13- H-SA 3/1/13- H-2nd Read (Passed)
HB13-1151	Sales & Use Tax Holiday For Higher Ed Textbooks	中	Moreno / Kefalas	Creates a one-day state sales and use tax exemption (holiday) for any textbook that is required or recommended for use at an institution of higher education and that is sold by a campus book store. This sales and use tax holiday occurs on the last Monday of August of the next 5 years. The exemption applies to new, used, and electronic textbooks. (Also permits identical local sales tax holiday.)	1/18/13- H-Intro 2/14/13- H-FIN 2/20/13- H-FIN H-FIN Postpone Indefinitely
HB 13-1165	Creation of a Manufacturing Career Pathway	FI	Wilson/ -	This bill requires the SBCCOE, in consultation with DHE, CDE, and CDLE, to create a manufacturing career pathway program. The bill includes an appropriation of \$1.0 million to the CCCS to implement the career pathway. The manufacturing career pathway shall connect school districts, community colleges, and 4-year institutions with adult education programs and local workforce development programs and allow a student to earn income while progressing along the career pathway.	1/30/13- H-Intro 2/18/13- H-ED H-ED refer to H-APP
HB13-1175	Higher-Ed-Funding-Before- Medicaid-Expansion	-CFI-	Delgrosso / -	This bill limits the Affordable Care Act's expansion of Medicaid to newly eligible persons until the general fund appropriation to higher education is at least \$747,000,000, which was approximately the general fund appropriation in 2007.	1/31/13- H-Intro 2/19/13- H-PHC H-PHC Postponed Indefinitely
HB13-1194	In-State Tuition for Military Dependents	FI	Everett / Marble	This bill allows all dependents of members of the armed services, including children and spouses, to be eligible for in-state status at a Colorado public institution of higher education.	2/1/13- H-Intro 2/18/13- H-ED H-ED refer to H-APP 3/8/13- H-APP

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Bill No.	Short Title	FI	Sponsors	Description	Status
House Bills					
HB13-1219	Statutory Changes to K-12 Education	FI	Hamner / Todd	This bill makes several changes to existing K-12 statute that affect higher education: • Establish and maintain an educator identifier system and to review the content of educator preparedness programs. • Remove obsolete reporting requirements for the ASCENT program. • Change the name of the Literacy Instruction Authorization to an Adult Basic Education Authorization. • A local school board, BOCES, or institute charter high school can endorse high school diplomas to indicate that students have achieved postsecondary and workforce readiness. The criteria should reflect the expectations for postsecondary and workforce readiness that are applied nationally and internationally. • CDE shall annually report the total number of potential ASCENT program participants for the following school year (instead of on or before September 1).	2/4/13- H-Intro 2/18/13- H-ED H-ED refer to COW 2/22/13- H-2nd Read (Passed) 2/26/13- H-3rd Read (Passed)
HB13-1226	No Concealed Carry at Colleges	FI	Levy / Heath	This bill adds to the areas where individuals may not carry a concealed handgun. • Buildings at higher education institutions • Stadiums at higher education institutions • Sponsored events at higher education institutions Security officers may carry concealed handguns.	2/7/13- H-Intro 2/13/13- H-ED 2/14/13- H-APP 2/15/13- H- 2nd Read (Passed) 2/18/13- H-3rd Read (Passed) 3/4/13- S-SA
HB13-1230	Compensation for Persons Wrongly Incarcerated	FI	Williams / Guzman	This bill aims to compensate people who have been wrongly incarcerated. That compensation includes tuition waivers at higher education institutions. CCHE shall implement a policy where each institution of higher education in the state shall waive tuition costs for an exonerated person, and for any child of an exonerated person who was conceived or legally adopted before the exonerated person was incarcerated. To receive a tuition waiver, an exonerated person or child of an exonerated person must apply to the institution and request such waiver in writing not later than 2 years after the later of the following dates: The date upon which a district court issued an order of compensation on behalf of the exonerated person; or In the case of a child of an exonerated person, the date upon which the child graduated from high school.	2/13/13- H-Intro 3/7/13- H-JUD

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Senate Bills					
SB13-023	Increase Damage Caps Under CGIA	FI	Cadman & Morse /	Changes the limitation on damages that may be recovered under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act (CGIA) to adjust for inflation. A person suing the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, Department of Higher Education, a university, college, school or pubic employee is currently able to recover \$150,000 to one person for a single occurrence and \$600,000 for an injury to 2 or more persons in a single occurrence. The bill would change those limits to \$478,000 and \$990,000 respectively.	1/16/13- S-Intro 2/27/13- S-JUD S-JUD refer to COW
SB13-028	Track Utility Data High Performance State Building	FI	Jones / Tyler	This bill requires state agencies, including higher education institutions, to monitor, track, and verify utility usage data for all state-assisted facilities designed, constructed, or substantially renovated on or after July 1, 2013.	1/09/13- S-Intro 2/4/13- S-SA (Passed) 2/11/13- S-2nd Read (Passed) 2/12/13- S-3rd Read (Passed) 2/13/13- H-Intro (assign to H-SA)
SB13-031	Tuition for Dropout Recovery Program Students	FI	Giron / Pettersen	HB12-1146 allows a school district and a community college to establish a dropout recovery program permitting a student who has dropped out of high school, or students at-risk of dropping out, to complete their high school requirements exclusively at a community college or district junior college. SB13-031 requires that a school district participating in the program pay the student portion of tuition for each class in which the student enrolls (rather than completes).	1/16/13- S-Intro 1/31/13- S-ED (Passed) 2/11/13- S-2nd Read (Passed) 2/12/13- S-3rd Read (Passed) 2/13/13- H-Intro (assign to H-ED) 2/27/13- H-ED 3/1/13- H-2nd Read (Passed)
SB13-033	In-state Classification CO High School Completion	FI	Giron & Johnston / Duran & Fields	Student shall be charged resident tuition rates at institutions of higher education if: (1) the student attended high school in the state for at least 3 years immediately preceding graduation or attaining a general education equivalent degree (GED); and (2) the student is admitted to a school of higher education within 1 academic year following graduation, or the attainment of a GED. <or> (3) A high school graduate who has not been admitted to college within 1 year following graduation, but who otherwise satisfies the requirements in the bill, may be classified as an in-state student for tuition purposes so long as the student has been physically present in Colorado for at least 18 months prior to enrolling. • The student is also eligible for COF stipends. • The institutions may also consider these students eligible for institutional or other private financial aid programs. • A student must submit an affidavit to the admitting institution stating that the student has applied for lawful presence, or will apply as soon as he or she is eligible to do so.</or>	1/15/13- S-Intro 1/24/13- S-ED (Passed) S-ED refer to S-APP S-APP refer to COW 2/22/13- S-2nd Read (Passed) 2/25/13- S-3rd Read (Passed) 2/27/13- H-ED (Passed) 3/1/13- H-APP (Passed)

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SB13-042	Foreign Asst Med Professor Renew Physician License	FI	Morse / Waller	Current law allows distinguished foreign teaching physicians to be licensed to practice medicine at a state medical school. To renew the license, the distinguished foreign teaching physician must serve as a full-time member of its academic faculty at a rank equal to an associate professor or higher. Assistant professors cannot renew their licenses. The bill allows an assistant professor who is a distinguished foreign teaching physician to renew his or her license.	1/16/13- S-Intro 2/6/13- S-HHS 2/11/13- S-2nd Read (Passed) 2/12/13- S-3rd Read (Passed) 2/13/13- H-Intro (assign to HIE) 3/14/13- H-HIE
SB13-053	Exchange of Student Data K-12 and Postsecondary	NFI	Kerr / Hamner	The bill establishes a procedure between CDE and DHE that allows for the transfer of available student data relevant to the transition from high school to the postsecondary system. The procedure must utilize student unit record data currently collected and maintained by the CDE and administered at no charge to local education providers, public institutions of higher education, or students.	1/16/13- S-Intro 2/14/13- S-ED S-ED to COW 2/22/13- S-2nd Read (Passed) 2/22/13- S-3rd Read (Passed) 3/18/13- H-ED
SB 13-071	Student ID Number for Adult Education Programs	1	Hudak / Fields	The bill requires the commissioner of education to assign a unique student identifier for each person enrolled in an adult basic education program or GED program, if the person has not previously been assigned a state-assigned student identifier in Colorado. CDE shall retain records of the state-assigned student identifiers.	1/22/13- S-Intro 2/27/13- S-ED
SB 13-090	Suppl Approp Dept of Higher Ed	N/A	Steadman / Levy	Supplemental appropriations are made to the department of higher education. Additional: \$9.3 Million General Fund in FY 12-13 for operating (1.7% increase) Current: \$513 M FY 12-13: ~\$522M	1/28/13- S-Intro 1/31/13- S-APP (Passed) 2/1/13- S-2nd (Passed) 2/4/13- S-3rd (Passed) 2/4/13- H-Intro 2/8/13- H-APP 2/8/13- H-2nd Read (Passed) 2/11/13- H-3rd Read (Passed) 2/19/13- Signed by Gov
SB 13-121	Higher Ed Institutions Fee-for- Service Contracts	-	Lambert / -	DHE annually enters into fee-for-service contracts with the governing boards of the institutions of higher education. The bill repeals language that allows an institution of higher education and DHE to transfer a certain percentage of the college opportunity-fund stipends for use in fee-for-service contracts. The amount must reflect the actual cost of the services provided, cannot change over the term of the contract, cannot increase or decrease by more than the amount of inflation from year to year, and must specify the per-full-time-student amount that the department will pay for the services. In their annual reporting, the department must-provide copies of the fee-for-service contracts.	1/29/13- S-Intro 2/14/13- S-ED 2/20/13 S-ED Postponed- Indefinitely

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Senate Bills					
SB 13-133	Distribution of State Share of Limited Gaming Funds	FI	Steadman / Gerou	This bill changes the distribution of the Limited Gaming Fund. The changes that affect institutions higher education include: • Distribution to the Bioscience Discovery Evaluation Cash Fund – from 18% of the statutory Limited Gaming Fund range (\$19,200,000 to \$48,500,000) to a flat amount of \$5,500,000 • Distribution to the Innovative Higher Education Research Fund – from 7% of the statutory Limited Gaming Fund range (\$19,200,000 to \$48,500,000) to a flat amount of \$2,100,000	1/29/12- S-Intro 1/31/13- S-APP (Passed) 2/1/13- S-2nd (Passed) 2/4/13- S-3rd (Passed) 2/4/13- H-Intro 2/15/13- H-APP H-APP refer to COW 2/21/13- H-2nd Read (Passed) 2/22/13- H-3rd Read (Passed)
SB 13-165	Community Colleges Limited Number Bachelor Degrees	FI	Todd / Wilson	The bill allows the state board for community colleges and occupational education (SBCCOE) to seek approval from CCHE for up to 10 technical, career and work force development baccalaureate degree programs that may be offered at community colleges. The CCHE shall consider: (1) whether the SBCCOE provides data demonstrating workforce and student demand for the degree program; (2) the regional and professional accreditation requirement for the degree program; (3) whether the SBCCOE can demonstrate that the degree program is cost-effective; and (4) whether the SBCCOE can demonstrate that the degree program is sufficiently distinguishable from a degree program at a public-four year college in the same geographic service area, <or> that the degree program is one that has previously been offered successfully in conjunction with another four-year institution of higher education. Also, CCHE may consult with any public 4 year college that shares the same geographic service area as the proposed degree program, to inform the CCHE of any anticipated systemwide effects of the new degree program.</or>	2/7/13- S-Intro (assign to S-ED)
SB13-178	Red Rocks Physician Assistant Graduate Program	NFI	Hudak / Hamner	This bill changes the role and mission of Red Rocks Community College to allow it to offer a physician assistant masters degree. This bill is being pursued on account of a requirement change from the accrediting body of physician assistants (ARC-PA). Currently, Red Rocks Community College offers a certificate program in physician assistant studies. Through an affiliation with St. Francis University in Pennsylvania, students may obtain a master of medical science degree. ARC-PA standards state that programs accredited prior to 2013 that do not currently offer a graduate degree <i>must</i> transition to conferring a graduate degree, which should be awarded by the sponsoring institutions, upon all PA students who matriculate into the program after 2020.	2/13/13-S-Intro (assigned to S-HHS) 3/13/13- S-HHS

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