

TOPIC: POLICY FOR INSTITUTIONAL REPORTING ON COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND STUDENT STIPEND ENROLLMENT – REVISIONS TO CCHE POLICY SECTION II, PARTS D AND E

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I. SUMMARY

This action item recommends approval of revisions of a portion of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education’s Policy for Public Institutional Reporting College Opportunity Fund Student Credit Hour Stipend Enrollment (Section II, Part D) and Policy for Participating Private Institutional Reporting on College Opportunity Fund Student Stipend Enrollment (Section II, Part E).

II. BACKGROUND

Senate Bill 13-033 (the ASSET bill) was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on April 29, 2013. As a result, institutions of higher education were exempted from lawful presence provisions under Section 24-76.5-103, C.R.S. The law also provided a new classification of students who are eligible for College Opportunity Fund (COF) stipends. The revisions to the CCHE COF policies for public and private institutions (Section II, Parts D and E) reflect the changes in COF statute.

III. STAFF ANALYSIS

For Part D, the proposed changes include adding a section on page 3, part 4.02 (Student Eligibility Parameters) that outlines the new student eligibility criteria under ASSET. It also removes the lawful presence language from the same section on pages 3 and four 4. Finally, there are some minor formatting changes on page 2 and three 3.

The proposed changes for Part E are almost identical to those for Part D. They include the same language regarding the ASSET COF eligibility criteria (page 3) and remove the same lawful presence language from pages 3 and 4.

IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission approve and adopt the changes to the Participating Institutional Reporting on College Opportunity Fund Student Stipend Enrollment as outlined in the attached Policy for Public Institutional Reporting College Opportunity Fund Student Credit Hour Stipend Enrollment, Section II, Part D and Policy for Participating Institutional Reporting on College Opportunity Fund Student Stipend Enrollment, Section II, Part E.

V. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Section 23-7-110, C.R.S.
Section 24-76.5-103, C.R.S.

ATTACHMENT A: Policy for Public Institutional Reporting College Opportunity Fund Student Credit Hour Stipend Enrollment, CCHE Policy Section II, D

ATTACHMENT A2: Final Policy

ATTACHMENT B: Policy for Participating Private Institutional Reporting on College Opportunity Fund Student Stipend Enrollment, CCHE Policy Section II, E

ATTACHMENT B2: Final Policy