



BILLS OF INTEREST TO HIGHER EDUCATION

- As of March 4, 2016 -

BILL #	TITLE	HOUSE SPONSORS	SENATE SPONSORS	SUMMARY	STATUS
<u>HB16-1003</u>	Middle Class College Savings Act	D. Young (D), B. Pettersen (D)	M. Merrifield (D), N. Todd (D)	Would modify the tax deductibility of contributions to a qualified college savings program established by CollegeInvest. The deduction percentage would be based on income tiers, reducing as income increases and eliminated entirely at a federally adjusted gross income of \$500,000.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (01/13/2016)
<u>HB16-1014</u>	SOS Business Intelligence Center	A. Williams (D)	J. Tate (R)	Would create the Business Intelligence Center within the Secretary of State's office to streamline public access to data, that is not required to be confidential by law, collected by state agencies. In addition, would establish an advisory board to assist in administering the program. The advisory board would sunset after 10 years.	House Committee on Business Affairs and Labor Refer Amended to Appropriations (01/28/2016)
<u>HB16-1036</u>	History And Culture In Civil Government	J. Salazar (D)	J. Ulibarri (D)	Among other things, would require local school districts to include in their history and civil government instruction on the history, culture, and contributions of the American Indians, Hispanic Americans, African Americans, and Asian Americans. In addition, would establish a gubernatorial appointed commission to make recommendations to the state board of education to ensure Colorado's academic standards accurately reflect this requirement. The Executive Director of	House Committee on Education Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/01/2016)

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				DHE, or designee, is among the appointments to this commission.	
HB16-1042	Liquor License Exemption Higher Ed Brewing Program	J. Arndt (D)	J. Sonnenberg (R)	To address new programmatic offerings around brewing and distilling, would provide an exemption from certain rules related to alcoholic beverages for institutions of higher education. The exemption only applies if the institution does not offer its manufactured beer for sale and restricts tasters to those of an age of at least 21 years old.	House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass (03/03/2016)
HB16-1043	JTC Authority To Approve Requests For Waivers	J. Brown (R)	R. Baumgardner (R)	Would allow for deadline waivers for certain projects, makes technical changes, and clarifies the role of the joint technology committee.	Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments (03/01/2016)
HB16-1048	Expand Business Enterprise Program	D. Primavera (D)	K. Lundberg (R)	Among other things, would eliminate the current exemption for institutions of higher education regarding providing preference to blind vendors for vending concessions.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor (01/13/2016)
HB16-1050	Low-income Parents Ed Child Care	B. Pettersen (D)	M. Merrifield (D)	Would create a task force to address the child care needs of low-income parents of young children as the parents seek to advance their education and, among other things, identifying how barriers can be reduced. Task force membership would include the Executive Director of the Department of Higher Education, or designee.	House Committee on Public Health Care & Human Services Refer Unamended to Appropriations (01/26/2016)

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<u>HB16-1063</u>	Mental Hlth Professional Disclosure School Safety	C. Duran (D), M. Foote (D)	B. Cadman (R), M. Scheffel (R)	Would grant an exception to the prohibition against disclosure when the mental health professional's client either: (1) makes a direct threat against a school or its occupants; or (2) creates a dangerous environment in a school that may jeopardize safety	House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments (02/23/2016)
<u>HB16-1073</u>	Electrical Industry Safety And Training Act	C. Duran (D), B. DelGrosso (R)	L. Guzman (D), M. Scheffel (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would modify the license renewal process for electricians by requiring continuing education rather than an assessment. The 24 hours of training will better equip electricians with the skills they need to be successful in their profession.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Business, Labor, & Technology (02/05/2016)
<u>HB16-1082</u>	Change Name Area Vocational Schools	A. Garnett (D), Y. Willett (R)	N. Todd (D)	Would change the name of "area vocational schools" to "area technical colleges" and add one representative from an area technical college to both the Concurrent Enrollment Advisory Board and the Colorado Workforce Development Council.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Education (02/16/2016)
<u>HB16-1083</u>	Western State Colorado University Role And Mission	M. Hamner (D), J. Brown (R)	K. Grantham (R), K. Donovan (D)	Would modify the role and mission for Western State Colorado University to "selective" from "moderately selective."	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Education (02/19/2016)
<u>HB16-1100</u>	Define Tuition Status Unaccompanied Homeless Youth	B. Pettersen (D), D. Esgar (D)		Would provide avenues for unaccompanied homeless youth to establish residency for tuition purposes.	House Second Reading Laid Over to 03/07/2016 - No Amendments (03/03/2016)

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<u>HB16-1103</u>	License Pathways For Mental Health Workforce	T. Kraft-Tharp (D), L. Landgraf (R)	N. Todd (D), B. Martinez Humenik (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would clarify and streamline the pathway to licensure in the mental health professions.	House Committee on Public Health Care & Human Services Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/09/2016)
<u>HB16-1116</u>	Public Forum On Micro-credentialing	R. Fields (D)		Would require the Colorado Community College System to hold a public forum on micro-credentialing and provide recommendations to the joint Education Committees by January 1, 2017.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (01/20/2016)
<u>HB16-1128</u>	Extending Concurrent Enrollment Statewide	P. Lundeen (R)		Would make significant changes to Concurrent Enrollment. Among other things, would (1) allow all students to participate at any Colorado public institution of higher education, and encouraging private institutions to participate; (2) require local education providers to inform students and families of concurrent enrollment opportunities at least twice per school year; and (3) modify the payment structure for concurrent enrollment and requiring payment for tuition at rate that is equal to 5% per credit hour of the LEP's per pupil revenue.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (01/20/2016)

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<u>HB16-1144</u>	Transparency College Courses High School Students	J. Becker (R), B. Pettersen (D)	K. Grantham (R)	Would require a public high school student's education provider to notify the student and parent if the student enrolls in a postsecondary course that does not meet the statutory requirements for concurrent enrollment programs. The notice must also include what postsecondary courses available to the student at low or no cost that do meet the concurrent enrollment requirements; are credit-bearing; and, applicable toward earning a degree or certificate at an institution of higher education.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Education (02/16/2016)
<u>HB16-1177</u>	Sunset Council Of Higher Education Representatives	J. Buckner (D), B. Pettersen (D)	O. Hill (R)	Would indefinitely extend the General Education Council, initially established to create a statewide articulation matrix system of common course numbering. While their initial charge has been completed, their role in continuing and expanding on this discussion is critical.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (02/01/2016)
<u>HB16-1178</u>	In-state Tuition American Indian Tribes Ties To CO	J. Salazar (D)	J. Ulibarri (D)	Would provide in-state tuition to students who are a member of a federally recognized American Indian tribe with historical ties to Colorado.	House Committee on Education Refer Unamended to Appropriations (02/29/2016)
<u>HB16-1196</u>	Aspire To College Colorado Pilot Program	B. Pettersen (D), B. Rankin (R)	M. Johnston (D)	Would create the Aspire to College Colorado Pilot Program for college savings for pre-K children through College Invest. Within existing appropriations, DHS would start college savings accounts with an initial deposit of \$50.	House Committee on Education Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/22/2016)

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<u>HB16-1197</u>	Military Veteran Occupational Credentials	J. Melton (D), T. Carver (R)	N. Todd (D), L. Crowder (R)	Would require state agencies to give credit for military experience to veterans.	House Committee on Business Affairs and Labor Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/25/2016)
<u>HB16-1208</u>	Create Data Privacy Subcommittee	J. Singer (D), T. Carver (R)	K. Lundberg (R), L. Newell (D)	Would create within the joint technology committee a subcommittee on data privacy and cyber-security.	Introduced In House - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs (02/04/2016)
<u>HB16-1221</u>	Budget Cuts To Increase Medicaid Provider Rates	J. Joshi (R)		Would reduce state agency lobbying expenses to fund Medicaid provider rate.	Introduced In House - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs (02/04/2016)
<u>HB16-1229</u>	Higher Ed Financial Obligation Repayment	B. Rankin (R)	P. Steadman (D)	Would modify how certain COP payments are made.	House Committee on Finance Refer Amended to Appropriations (02/24/2016)
<u>HB16-1259</u>	Changes To Local District College Statutes	D. Mitsch Bush (D), J. Wilson (R)	K. Donovan (D), J. Cooke (R)		Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (02/10/2016)

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HB16-1287	CDLE Pre-apprenticeship & Apprenticeship Study	P. Rosenthal (D), J. Wilson (R)	J. Cooke (R), J. Kefalas (D)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would direct the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment to study ways to increase the use of apprenticeship programs by Colorado businesses and to make a report and recommendations based on the study.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor (02/24/2016)
HB16-1288	Industry Infrastructure Grant Program	T. Kraft-Tharp (D)	J. Tate (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would work toward a system in which businesses are engaged in the education system as centers of learning and drivers of career-focused education content. Would create a matching grant program within the Colorado Workforce Development Council to assist industry associations to define industry competencies and collaborate to facilitate training and education in the classroom and the workplace.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor (02/24/2016)
HB16-1289	Incentives To Complete Career Development Courses	C. Duran (D), D. Esgar (D)	L. Garcia (D), L. Crowder (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would create a pilot program wherein school districts receive a \$1000 bonus for each high school student who (1) earns an industry certification tied to an in-demand job, (2) finishes a rigorous workplace training program tied to key industry needs, or (3) successfully completes a Computer Science AP course.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (02/24/2016)
HB16-1290	Extend Transitional Jobs Program	D. Esgar (D), T. Kraft-Tharp (D)	R. Heath (D), O. Hill (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> – This Department of Human Services priority bill would extend the ReHire Colorado program, which provides job training to help Coloradans find gainful employment and transition off of government assistance.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor (02/24/2016)

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<u>HB16-1291</u>	Modern Technology Education In Public Schools	C. Duran (D), S. Lontine (D)	O. Hill (R), M. Johnston (D)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would direct the Department of Education to update content standards to include tech skills and create a voluntary resource bank for schools and districts that want to start or expand computer science programs for students. Would also create a grant program for public school teachers in Colorado to pursue additional education that will enable them to teach computer science courses.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (02/24/2016)
<u>HB16-1301</u>	Business Income Tax Credit Offer Apprenticeships	A. Garnett (D)	M. Scheffel (R)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would provide an income tax credit to qualified Colorado businesses that integrate quality apprenticeships into their workplaces. Companies must offer high-paying, in-demand jobs as identified by the state Workforce Development Council.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Finance (02/26/2016)
<u>HB16-1302</u>	Align With Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act	B. DelGrosso (R), C. Duran (D)	L. Newell (D)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Would align state statute with the federal ""Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.""	Introduced In House - Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor (02/26/2016)
<u>SB16-020</u>	Clarify Calculation Issues Of Auto Capital Funding	K. Becker (D)	J. Sonnenberg (R)	Would make technical changes capital construction statutes and clarify the reporting responsibilities of the state institutions of higher education and the department of higher education, streamlining the reporting process from institutions to the Department.	Sent to the Governor (02/29/2016)

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<u>SB16-073</u>	State Auditor Auth Audit State Hist Fund Distrib	P. Lawrence (R)	K. Grantham (R)	Would provide the state auditor authority to conduct postaudits and performance audits related to limited gaming fund dollars transferred to the state historical fund.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Finance (02/18/2016)
<u>SB16-077</u>	Employment First For Persons With Disabilities	J. Ginal (D), D. Primavera (D)	J. Kefalas (D)	Would create a multi-agency approach to increasing employment opportunities for persons with disabilities by directing several departments, including the Department of Higher Education, to develop a state policy for this purpose.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Finance (01/19/2016)
<u>SB16-079</u>	Align Secondary and Postsecondary CTE Initiatives	D. Young (D)	N. Todd (D)	<i>WORKFORCE PACKAGE BILL</i> - Among other things, would the alignment of a student's individual and academic plans with a plan of study that reflects their career goal. The Department of Education would be required to (1) align its postsecondary and workforce initiatives with plans of study created by the community colleges and (2) work with the community college system to create and make available informational materials that explain the alignment.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Education (02/22/2016)
<u>SB16-097</u>	Use Mineral Severance Revenue For Local Govts	D. Coram (R)	R. Scott (R)	Would prohibit certain transfers to the general fund from mineral severance fund.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy (01/29/2016)

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<u>SB16-104</u>	Incentives To Build Number Of Rural Teachers	J. Becker (R)	N. Todd (D)	Would create infrastructure and provide incentives to increase the recruitment and retention of teachers in rural school districts of Colorado by (1) establishing rural education centers housed in institutions of higher education in rural districts; (2) providing stipends to offset tuition costs for certain educator preparation programs; (3) establishing teacher cadet programs in identified rural districts; and (2) providing funds to teachers to offset costs of becoming either a national board certified or qualified for concurrent enrollment.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Education (01/29/2016)
<u>SB16-121</u>	Higher Education Tuition Pledged for Bonding	A. Garnett (D)	J. Tate (R)	Would increase, from 10% to 100%, the amount an institution of higher education is allowed to pledge for certain bond obligations.	Introduced In House - Assigned to Finance (02/22/2016)
<u>SB16-134</u>	Professional Licensing For Military Veterans	D. Kagan (D), J. Danielson (D)	R. Heath (D), L. Garcia (D)	Would provide an avenue for military training and experience to apply to certain licensure requirements.	Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Business, Labor, & Technology (02/18/2016)