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A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MERITORIOUS COLORADO STUDENTS AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

Under current law, state-supported institutions of higher education (institution) must generally maintain a required ratio of resident student

admissions to nonresident student admissions. The bill allows an institution to count a student who is admitted as a Colorado scholar as 2 in-state students for purposes of calculating this ratio.

The university of Colorado system and Colorado state university are also required to ensure that the percentage of students who are admitted based on criteria other than the statewide admissions criteria does not fall below the average of the percentage of these students admitted for the 3 preceding years. Under the bill, these institutions are considered to meet this requirement if the percentage of in-state students admitted based on the alternative criteria plus the percentage of in-state students enrolling as Colorado scholars is greater than the percentage of nonresident students admitted based on the alternative criteria.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-113.5, **add** (5)

3 as follows:

23-1-113.5. Commission directive - resident admissions - definitions. (5) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, beginning in the fall semester of 2013, a state-supported institution of higher education or a campus of the institution may count each Colorado scholar who enrolls at the institution or the campus of the institution as two in-state students for purposes of calculating the percentages and fractions of in-state students required in this section.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, beginning in the fall semester of 2013, a state-supported institution of higher education or a campus of the institution meets the requirements specified in subparagraph (IV) of paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of this section if the percentage of in-state students admitted to the institution or to each campus of the institution based on criteria that are in lieu of the established statewide criteria as provided in section

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1	23-1-113 (1) (b) PLUS THE PERCENTAGE OF IN-STATE STUDENTS
2	ENROLLING AS COLORADO SCHOLARS EXCEEDS THE PERCENTAGE OF
3	NONRESIDENT STUDENTS ADMITTED TO THE INSTITUTION OR TO EACH
4	CAMPUS OF THE INSTITUTION BASED ON CRITERIA THAT ARE IN LIEU OF THE
5	ESTABLISHED STATEWIDE CRITERIA.
6	(c) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) APPLY ONLY TO A
7	STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, OR TO A CAMPUS
8	OF THE INSTITUTION, THAT ESTABLISHES AND FUNDS A COLORADO
9	SCHOLAR PROGRAM.
10	(d) As used in this subsection (5):
11	(I) "COLORADO SCHOLAR" MEANS AN IN-STATE STUDENT WHO
12	PARTICIPATES IN A COLORADO SCHOLAR PROGRAM.
13	(II) "COLORADO SCHOLAR PROGRAM" MEANS AN INSTITUTIONAL
14	PROGRAM OR GROUP OF PROGRAMS THAT AWARDS INSTITUTIONAL
15	FINANCIAL AID OR SCHOLARSHIPS TO UNDERGRADUATE, DEGREE-SEEKING
16	IN-STATE STUDENTS BASED ON COMPETITIVE, MERIT-BASED CRITERIA
17	WITH THE GOAL OF ATTRACTING IN-STATE STUDENTS TO AND RETAINING
18	THEM IN COLORADO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
19	SECTION 2. Appropriation. In addition to any other
20	appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the
21	general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the department of higher
22	education, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, the sum of
23	\$3,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the
24	Colorado commission on higher education financial aid for merit-based
25	grants.
26	SECTION 3. Effective date. (1) Except as otherwise provided in
27	this section, this act takes effect upon passage.

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1	(2) Section 2 of this act takes effect upon the effective date of this
2	act or House Bill 13-1144, whichever is later, and only if:
3	(a) The final fiscal note prepared by legislative council staff for
4	House Bill 13-1144 reflects a net increase in general fund revenue for
5	fiscal year 2013-14 that is equal to or greater than the amount of the
6	general fund appropriation made for the implementation of this act for
7	state fiscal year 2013-14 as reflected in section 2 of this act; and
8	(b) House Bill 13-1144 is enacted and becomes law; and
9	(c) The staff director of the joint budget committee files written
10	notice with the revisor of statutes no later than July 1, 2013, that the
11	requirement set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection (2) has been met.
12	SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
13	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
14	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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