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HOUSE BILL 13-1320

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MERITORIOUS COLORADO**
102 **STUDENTS AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER**
103 **EDUCATION.**

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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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.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-1-113.5, **add** (5)
3 as follows:

4 **23-1-113.5. Commission directive - resident admissions -**
5 **definitions.** (5) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION
6 TO THE CONTRARY, BEGINNING IN THE FALL SEMESTER OF 2013, A
7 STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR A CAMPUS OF
8 THE INSTITUTION MAY COUNT EACH COLORADO SCHOLAR WHO ENROLLS
9 AT THE INSTITUTION OR THE CAMPUS OF THE INSTITUTION AS TWO
10 IN-STATE STUDENTS FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING THE PERCENTAGES
11 AND FRACTIONS OF IN-STATE STUDENTS REQUIRED IN THIS SECTION.

12 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE
13 CONTRARY, BEGINNING IN THE FALL SEMESTER OF 2013, A
14 STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR A CAMPUS OF
15 THE INSTITUTION MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPH
16 (IV) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION IF THE
17 PERCENTAGE OF IN-STATE STUDENTS ADMITTED TO THE INSTITUTION OR
18 TO EACH CAMPUS OF THE INSTITUTION BASED ON CRITERIA THAT ARE IN
19 LIEU OF THE ESTABLISHED STATEWIDE CRITERIA AS PROVIDED IN SECTION
20 23-1-113 (1) (b) PLUS THE PERCENTAGE OF IN-STATE STUDENTS

1 ENROLLING AS COLORADO SCHOLARS EXCEEDS THE PERCENTAGE OF
2 NONRESIDENT STUDENTS ADMITTED TO THE INSTITUTION OR TO EACH
3 CAMPUS OF THE INSTITUTION BASED ON CRITERIA THAT ARE IN LIEU OF THE
4 ESTABLISHED STATEWIDE CRITERIA.

5 (c) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) APPLY ONLY TO A
6 STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, OR TO A CAMPUS
7 OF THE INSTITUTION, THAT ESTABLISHES AND FUNDS A COLORADO
8 SCHOLAR PROGRAM.

9 (d) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) TO
10 THE CONTRARY, THE NUMBER OF COLORADO SCHOLARS THAT EACH
11 INSTITUTION COUNTS FOR PURPOSES OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (a) AND (b) OF
12 THIS SUBSECTION (5) IN AN ACADEMIC YEAR SHALL NOT EXCEED EIGHT
13 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF IN-STATE STUDENTS THAT THE
14 INSTITUTION COUNTS IN THE APPLICABLE FRACTION OR PERCENTAGE IN
15 THAT ACADEMIC YEAR.

16 (e) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (5):

17 (I) "COLORADO SCHOLAR" MEANS AN IN-STATE STUDENT WHO IS
18 ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INSTITUTIONAL COLORADO SCHOLAR
19 PROGRAM AND IS DESIGNATED BY THE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF
20 HIGHER EDUCATION AS A COLORADO SCHOLAR. A STUDENT IS ELIGIBLE TO
21 PARTICIPATE IN A COLORADO SCHOLAR PROGRAM ONLY IF THE STUDENT
22 GRADUATES IN THE TOP TEN PERCENT OF THE STUDENT'S HIGH SCHOOL
23 CLASS OR GRADUATES WITH AT LEAST A 3.75 GRADE POINT AVERAGE,
24 HAVING COMPLETED A HIGHLY RIGOROUS COLLEGE PREPARATORY
25 CURRICULUM, AND MEETS ANY ADDITIONAL CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY
26 THE INSTITUTION.

27 (II) "COLORADO SCHOLAR PROGRAM" MEANS AN INSTITUTIONAL

1 PROGRAM OR GROUP OF PROGRAMS THAT AWARDS INSTITUTIONAL
2 FINANCIAL AID OR SCHOLARSHIPS TO UNDERGRADUATE, DEGREE-SEEKING,
3 IN-STATE STUDENTS, WITH THE GOAL OF ATTRACTING IN-STATE STUDENTS
4 TO AND RETAINING THEM IN COLORADO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
5 EDUCATION. A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION
6 SHALL PROVIDE EACH STUDENT WHO IS DESIGNATED AS A COLORADO
7 SCHOLAR FOR PURPOSES OF PARAGRAPHS (a) AND (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION
8 (5) AT LEAST TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN ANNUAL
9 FINANCIAL AID OR SCHOLARSHIP MONEYS THROUGH THE INSTITUTION'S
10 COLORADO SCHOLAR PROGRAM.

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12 **SECTION 2. 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.