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SENATE BILL 22-056

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING AUTHORIZING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN
102 COLORADO TO OFFER DEGREES IN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE.

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://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill permits the university of northern Colorado (UNC) to offer specialized degree programs in osteopathic medicine. The bill creates an exception to the university of Colorado health sciences center campus' exclusive authority in medicine for UNC's osteopathic medicine degree program.

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

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-40-101, **add** (4)
3 as follows:

4 **23-40-101. University established - role and mission.** (4) THE
5 UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO MAY OFFER SPECIALIZED DEGREE
6 PROGRAMS IN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE. THE OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
7 DEGREE PROGRAMS ARE NOT PROHIBITED BY THE EXCLUSIVE AUTHORITY
8 IN MEDICINE OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER CAMPUS OF THE
9 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DESCRIBED IN SECTION 23-20-101 (1)(d).

10 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-20-101, **amend**
11 (1) introductory portion and (1)(d) as follows:

12 **23-20-101. University of Colorado - role and mission - all**
13 **campuses.** (1) The role and mission of the several campuses of the
14 university of Colorado ~~shall be~~ IS as follows:

15 (d) The health sciences center campus of the university of
16 Colorado shall offer specialized baccalaureate, first-professional,
17 master's, and doctoral degree programs in health-related disciplines and
18 professions. It ~~shall be~~ IS affiliated with the university of Colorado
19 hospital and other health-care facilities that offer settings for education,
20 clinical practice, and basic and applied research. EXCEPT FOR DEGREE
21 PROGRAMS IN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 23-40-101
22 (4), it ~~shall have~~ HAS exclusive authority in medicine, dentistry,
23 pharmacy, and physical therapy.

24 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
25 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except

1 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
2 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
3 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
4 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
5 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
6 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.