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SENATE BILL 14-112

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT ALL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
102	AWARDED FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION
103	ASSISTANCE FUND UNDER THE "BUILDING EXCELLENT SCHOOLS
104	TODAY ACT" BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL 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.)

Joint Budget Committee. Under current law, the general assembly annually appropriates to the department of education moneys

from the public school capital construction assistance fund (assistance fund) for the costs of administering the "Building Excellent Schools Today Act" (BEST) and the amount of BEST lease payments required under BEST lease-purchase agreements, but the remainder of the assistance fund is continuously appropriated to the public school capital construction assistance board for the purpose of providing BEST financial assistance awards and associated transaction costs. The bill makes all expenditures from the assistance fund subject to annual appropriation.

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

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-43.7-104, amend
3 (3) as follows:

4 22-43.7-104. Public school capital construction assistance fund 5 - creation - crediting of moneys to fund - use of fund - emergency reserve - creation - reserve account - creation and use. (3) Subject to 6 7 annual appropriation, the department may expend moneys in the 8 assistance fund to pay FOR THE PURPOSES OF PAYING the direct and 9 indirect administrative costs, including but not limited to the costs of 10 conducting or contracting for the financial assistance priority assessment 11 required by section 22-43.7-108 (1), incurred by the division and the 12 board in exercising their powers and duties pursuant to this article, Any 13 moneys in the assistance fund not appropriated for a fiscal year to the department for administrative costs before the fiscal year commences are 14 15 hereby continuously appropriated to the board for the purpose of 16 providing financial assistance, making payments required by section 17 22-43.7-114, and paying any transaction costs necessarily incurred in 18 connection with the provision of financial assistance as authorized by this 19 article. except that the use of any assistance fund moneys to make lease 20 payments required by lease-purchase agreements entered into pursuant to 21 section 22-43.7-110 (2) shall be subject to annual appropriation by the

- 1 general assembly.
- SECTION 2. Applicability. This act applies for fiscal years
 commencing on or after July 1, 2014.
- 4 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
- 5 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 6 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.