



Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
NO FISCAL IMPACT

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM PROVIDERS AMONG THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT ARE PERMITTED TO OFFER CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

Summary of Legislation

This bill is recommended by the Joint Select Committee on Job Creation and Economic Growth. It makes changes to HB09-1319 which permits students in grades 9 through 12 to enroll in courses at institutions of higher education and apply earned credits toward the requirements for both high school graduation and a postsecondary degree. SB09-285 includes the following provisions:

- ▶ clarifies that concurrent credits may be earned in career and technical education courses;
- ▶ permits students to apply credits toward either an academic degree or a career and technical certificate; and
- ▶ adds representatives of career and technical program providers to the concurrent enrollment advisory board.

School districts and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) that are approved as a career and technical education program provider cannot include concurrently enrolled students for the purpose of calculating state aid for career and technical education that the district or BOCES receives under current law. The bill takes effect upon the enactment of HB09-1319.

Assessment

This bill makes clarifying changes to HB09-1319. SB09-285 will have no additional impact on the number of concurrently enrolled students, state funding for school finance, or payments to colleges through the College Opportunity Fund. Further, the bill has no impact on expenditures or revenue at state institutions of higher education or affected state agencies. For these reasons, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

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