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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING COMMUNITY COLLEGE TWO-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS IN
 102 CERTAIN HEALTH CARE FIELDS WITHOUT A STUDENT TRANSFER

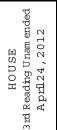
103 AGREEMENT.

#### **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.)

The bill allows a Colorado community college to offer a two-year degree program with academic designation in nursing or dental hygiene without a valid student transfer agreement.

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April 23, 2012

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

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-60-211, amend
3 (1) as follows:

4 **23-60-211.** Degrees. (1) Before a community college offers a 5 two-year degree program with academic designation, as authorized by 6 section 23-60-201, the community college shall determine the program 7 designation for the degree. A two-year degree program with academic 8 designation shall only be for a degree program that has a valid student 9 transfer agreement pursuant to section 23-1-108 (7); EXCEPT THAT A 10 COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY OFFER A TWO-YEAR DEGREE PROGRAM WITH 11 ACADEMIC DESIGNATION IN DENTAL HYGIENE WITHOUT A VALID 12 STUDENT TRANSFER AGREEMENT. The community college shall then 13 submit the degree program designation to the board for its review and 14 approval. The community college may offer the degree program only after 15 it has been approved by the board and by the Colorado commission on 16 higher education. The community college shall exclusively use the degree 17 program designation name in official publications, course catalogs, 18 diplomas, and official transcripts.

19 **SECTION 2.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 20 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 21 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 22 8, 2012, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2012); except that, if a 23 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 24 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 25 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 26 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2012 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.