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SENATE BILL 13-206

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Hudak and Renfroe,

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Pettersen and Priola,

Senate Committees
Finance

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE DIRECT DEPOSIT OF AN INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER'S**
102 **STATE INCOME TAX REFUND TO A COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS**
103 **ACCOUNT ADMINISTERED BY COLLEGEINVEST.**

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>.)

Currently, individual taxpayers may elect to have their state income tax refunds deposited directly to a checking or savings account. The bill directs the state department of revenue, in collaboration with the state department of higher education, to modify the individual state

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.

income tax return form so that taxpayers also have the option of having their refunds directly deposited in a college savings account administered by collegeinvest, a division of the Colorado department of higher education. The option to make a direct deposit to a collegeinvest savings account must be available to taxpayers beginning with returns filed for tax year 2013.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 39-22-628 as
3 follows:

4 **39-22-628. Direct deposit of refund to collegeinvest savings**
5 **accounts - modification of individual income tax return forms -**
6 **legislative declaration - definition.** (1) IN ADDITION TO THE RATIONALE
7 FOR CREATION OF THE COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM SET FORTH IN SECTION
8 23-3.1-301, C.R.S., THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES,
9 AND DECLARES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF COLORADO CITIZENS
10 TO PROVIDE THEM THE OPTION OF MAKING DIRECT DEPOSITS TO
11 COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS ACCOUNTS THROUGH THE COLORADO STATE
12 INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN FORM.

13 (2) (a) FOR COLORADO STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN
14 FORMS USED FOR TAX YEARS BEGINNING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2013,
15 EACH SUCH FORM MUST ALLOW AN INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER WHO IS OWED
16 A REFUND THE OPTION OF MAKING A DIRECT DEPOSIT TO A COLLEGEINVEST
17 SAVINGS ACCOUNT.

18 (b) EACH FORM MUST PERMIT THE DIRECT DEPOSIT TO ONLY A
19 SINGLE COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS ACCOUNT.

20 (3) THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL COLLABORATE WITH THE
21 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO:

22 (a) MODIFY THE STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN FORM TO

1 ENABLE AN INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER TO MAKE A DIRECT DEPOSIT OF HIS OR
2 HER REFUND TO A COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS ACCOUNT; AND

3 (b) INCLUDE, IN THE PORTION OF THE FORM ALLOWING DIRECT
4 DEPOSIT TO A COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS ACCOUNT, INFORMATION OR A
5 MEANS TO OBTAIN INFORMATION DESCRIBING COLLEGEINVEST SAVINGS
6 ACCOUNTS AND HOW TO ESTABLISH SUCH AN ACCOUNT.

7 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "COLLEGINVEST SAVINGS ACCOUNT"
8 MEANS AN ACCOUNT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO PART 3 OF ARTICLE 3.1
9 OF TITLE 23, C.R.S.

10 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
11 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
12 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.