

State Revenue

Higher education tuition revenue. If approved, new undergraduate degree programs may increase overall student enrollment at CSU Global and, therefore, create additional tuition revenue for the school. Since enrollment and tuition rates for future online degree programs are unknown, the full impact on tuition revenue has not been estimated.

State Expenditures

The creation of new online undergraduate degree programs will require some small effort by CSU to establish curriculum and admission requirements, obtain approval from the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, and be accredited. Since CSU Global already has multiple degree programs available for completion online, adding the introductory and prerequisite classes for those degrees is not expected to require much additional effort and can be accomplished within the school's existing resources. The bill does not require appropriations from the General Assembly.

Once new degree programs are authorized, there will be operational and instructional costs for CSU. Since future enrollment rates are unknown, the full impact on state expenditures has not been estimated. Once an authorized degree is offered to new students, growth in the program will increase both institutional tuition revenue and operational expenses.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 6, 2014, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 7, 2014, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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