

**UPDATED SUMMARY
HOUSE BILL 14-1013**

Second Regular Session - Sixty-ninth Colorado General Assembly

This summary applies to the reengrossed version of this bill as introduced in the second house. It does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. This summary reflects only the main points of the legislation.

The bill creates the advanced industries workforce development program in the Colorado ~~office of economic development (office)~~ *department of labor and employment (department) to be jointly administrated by the state work force development council (state council) and the division of employment and training (division).* The state council will provide oversight and strategic administration and the division will provide operational administration. The purpose of the program is ~~to allow the office~~ to reimburse a business for one-half of its expenses related to a qualifying internship. ~~or apprenticeship.~~ A qualifying internship ~~or apprenticeship~~ is one that:

- ! Is in an advanced industry;
- ! Is for at least 160 hours and that lasts less than one year;
- ! Allows students to gain valuable work experience in at least 3 2 specified occupational areas;
- ! Pays the intern ~~or apprentice~~ a stipend;
- ! Provides a mentor or supervisor that will work closely with the intern; ~~or apprentice;~~
- ! Is not for the purpose of meeting required residency or clinical hours for the intern;
- ! Is with an advanced industry business that has a physical operation facility in the state;
- ! Is for a high-school or college student, a resident who is a student at an out-of-state college, or a recent grad of either; and
- ! Along with all other internships, ~~and apprenticeships,~~ constitutes less than 50% of the business's workforce located in the state.

A business may be reimbursed for up to 5 interns ~~and apprentices~~ per location and up to 10 at all locations, but the maximum amount that a business may be reimbursed for each internship ~~or apprenticeship~~ is \$5,000, of which no more than \$2,500 may be for a stipend paid to the intern. ~~or apprentice.~~ *A business is required to receive preapproval for the division prior to or during the internship.* ~~The office is required to contract with multiple state council may enter into an agreement with one or more intermediaries, which are advanced industry associations, to facilitate the program administration outreach to employers, market the program, and identify work experience opportunities. The office may permit an intermediary to:~~

- ~~! Match an intern or apprentice with a business;~~
- ~~! Identify qualifying internships and apprenticeships;~~
- ~~! Submit reimbursement applications to the office;~~

~~! Provide assessments of the program to the office; and~~

~~! Identify job placement for the interns and apprentices.~~

For the ~~next 3 fiscal years~~ *fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2014*, the general assembly is required to annually appropriate \$450,000 from the general fund to the ~~office~~ *division* for program reimbursements, *and it may appropriate moneys to the division for the next two years thereafter for that purpose.* The general assembly is also required to make a general fund appropriation to the ~~office~~ *department* for program administration expenses.

The ~~office~~ *division* is required to solicit information about ~~apprenticeships and~~ internships that were reimbursed through the program and *the state council is required* to submit a report to legislative committees about the program.

Italicized words indicate new material added to the original summary; dashes through words indicate deletions from the original summary.
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