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**HOUSE BILL 14-1156** 

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING EXTENDING THE AGE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CHILD NUTRITION SCHOOL LUNCH PROTECTION PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

# **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 <a href="http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries">http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries</a>.)

Current law creates an annual appropriation to provide lunches at no charge to children in state-subsidized early childhood education programs administered by public schools or in kindergarten through second grade. The bill would extend the age of eligibility to twelfth grade and increase the annual appropriation to not more than \$3.5 million.

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

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2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.9-104, amend 3 (4) (a) as follows: 4 22-82.9-104. Child nutrition school lunch protection program 5 - creation - administration - objectives. (4) The objectives of the 6 program are to: 7 (a) Eliminate the reduced price paid by Colorado students who are 8 enrolled in state-subsidized early childhood education programs 9 administered by public schools or in kindergarten through second FIFTH 10 grade and who are participating in the school lunch program; 11 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.9-105, amend 12 (1) as follows: 13 **22-82.9-105. Program funding - appropriation.** (1) The general 14 assembly shall annually appropriate by separate line item in the annual 15 general appropriation bill an amount of not less than eight hundred fifty 16 thousand dollars and not more than one million five hundred thousand 17 dollars to the department to allow school food authorities to provide 18 lunches at no charge for children in state-subsidized early childhood 19 education programs administered by public schools or in kindergarten 20 through second FIFTH grade, participating in the school lunch program, 21 who would otherwise be required to pay a reduced price for lunch. The 22 appropriation to the department for the program shall be in addition to 23 any appropriation made by the general assembly pursuant to section 24 22-54-123 or 22-54-123.5 (1). The department may expend not more than

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| 1  | two percent of the moneys annually appropriated for the program to offset     |
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| 2  | the direct and indirect costs incurred by the department in implementing      |
| 3  | the program pursuant to this article.   |
| 4  | SECTION 3. Appropriation - adjustments to 2014 long bill.                     |
| 5  | (1) For the implementation of this act, the general fund appropriation        |
| 6  | made in the annual general appropriation act to the controlled                |
| 7  | maintenance trust fund created in section 24-75-302.5 (2) (a), Colorado       |
| 8  | Revised Statutes, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, is decreased    |
| 9  | by \$809,095.   |
| 10 | (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby                   |
| 11 | appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund, not otherwise            |
| 12 | appropriated, to the department of education, for the fiscal year beginning   |
| 13 | July 1, 2014, the sum of \$809,095 and 0.2 FTE, or so much thereof as         |
| 14 | may be necessary, to be allocated to the child nutrition school lunch         |
| 15 | protection program for the implementation of this act as follows:             |
| 16 | (a) \$15,624 and 0.2 FTE for personal services;                               |
| 17 | (b) \$2,000 for operating expenses and capital outlay; and                    |
| 18 | (c) \$791,471 for school lunch payments.                                      |
| 19 | SECTION 4. 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 | 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); 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           |

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- 1 November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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