

**First Regular Session
Seventieth General Assembly
STATE OF COLORADO**

ENGROSSED

*This Version Includes All Amendments Adopted
on Second Reading in the House of Introduction*

LLS NO. 15-1053.01 Ed DeCecco x4216

SENATE BILL 15-238

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Steadman, Grantham, Lambert

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Hamner, Young, Rankin

Senate Committees
Appropriations

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE ALLOWABLE USES OF MONEYS IN THE GENERAL**
102 **FUND EXEMPT ACCOUNT THAT ARE DESIGNATED TO BENEFIT**
103 **STUDENTS ATTENDING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

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/bills summaries>.)

Joint Budget Committee. The general fund exempt account consists of an amount of moneys equal to the amount of state revenues that the state retains and spends under the authority the voters conferred through their approval of referendum C in 2005. The general assembly is annually required to appropriate 1/3 of the moneys in the account for

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.

SENATE
2nd Reading Unamended
April 1, 2015

community colleges and other institutions of higher education. The bill expands the allowable areas of higher education-related appropriations to include:

- ! Work-study programs;
- ! Tuition for qualified Indian pupils who attend Fort Lewis college;
- ! Local district junior college grants; and
- ! Area vocational school grants.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-77-104.5, **amend**
3 (4) (a) (IV) and (4) (a) (V); and **add** (4) (a) (VI), (4) (a) (VII), (4) (a)
4 (VIII), and (4) (a) (IX) as follows:

5 **24-77-104.5. General fund exempt account - appropriations to**
6 **critical needs fund - specification of uses for health care and**
7 **education - definitions.** (4) (a) Funding for the benefit of students
8 attending community colleges and other institutions of higher education,
9 as used in subparagraph (III) of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this
10 section, shall be limited to funding for:

11 (IV) Fee-for-service contracts authorized pursuant to section
12 23-18-303, C.R.S.; and

13 (V) Capital construction projects related to higher education;

14 (VI) WORK-STUDY PROGRAMS;

15 (VII) TUITION FOR QUALIFIED INDIAN PUPILS WHO ATTEND FORT
16 LEWIS COLLEGE;

17 (VIII) LOCAL DISTRICT JUNIOR COLLEGE GRANTS; AND

18 (IX) AREA VOCATIONAL SCHOOL GRANTS.

19 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.