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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING ADMISSION STANDARDS FOR METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER.

## **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>.)

The bill amends Metropolitan state university of Denver's admission standards to moderately selective admission standards, effective in 2016.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 23-54-101 as follows:

23-54-101. University established - role and mission - governance. There is hereby established a university at Denver, to be known as Metropolitan state university of Denver, which shall be a comprehensive institution with modified open MODERATELY SELECTIVE admission standards. at the baccalaureate level; except that nontraditional students at the baccalaureate level who are at least twenty years of age shall only have as an admission requirement a high school diploma, the successful completion of a high school equivalency examination, as defined in section 22-33-102 (8.5), C.R.S., or the equivalent thereof. Metropolitan state university of Denver shall offer a variety of liberal arts and science, technical, and educational programs. The university may offer a limited number of professional programs. In furtherance of its role and mission, Metropolitan state university of Denver may offer master's degree programs that address the needs of its urban service area.

**SECTION 2.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect January 1, 2016; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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