

Name: HIGHER EDUCATION - COLORADO COMMISSION ON
CRS: 23-1-102
Expiration:
No Members: 11
Term: 4 Yr
Department: Higher Education
Senate
Confirmation:
Senate Codes:
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Compensation: \$75 and expenses

Description:

The commission shall consist of eleven members to be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate. The members of the commission shall be selected on the basis of their knowledge of and interest in higher education and shall serve for four-year terms. No member of the commission may serve more than two consecutive full four-year terms.

At the time of appointment, no member of the commission shall have been an officer, employee, or member of a governing board or an officer or employee of any state-supported institution of higher education in the state for a period of one year prior to his or her appointment. During his or her term of office, no member of the commission shall be a member of the general assembly or an officer, employee, or member of a governing board or an officer or employee of a state-supported institution of higher education.

The commission shall at no time have more than six members of any one major political party.

Members of the commission shall receive seventy-five dollars per diem for attendance at official meetings plus actual and necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of official business. In appointing members of the commission, the governor shall consider geographic representation. Of the eleven members of the commission, at least one shall be from each congressional district, and at least one member of the commission shall reside west of the continental divide.

Some primary responsibilities of the commission are:

- to develop long-range plans for the state system of higher education;
- to review and approve instructional degree programs;
- to establish the distribution formula for higher education funding;
- to approve institutional capital construction requests;
- to administer statewide student financial assistance program through policy development, program evaluation, and allocation of funds;
- to establish and maintain statewide enrollment policies and admission standards