

*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

**Note: This final fiscal note reflects strike-below Amendment L.001.**

**Drafting Number:** LLS 12-0513  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Young

**Date:** May 30, 2012  
**Bill Status:** Postponed Indefinitely  
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**TITLE:** CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS THAT COMBINE BASIC EDUCATION COURSE WORK WITH SKILLS TRAINING.

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary</b>	<b>FY 2012-2013</b>	<b>FY 2013-2014</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		
Federal Funds	\$40,000	
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Effective Date:</b> Amendment L.001 was lost in committee and the bill was postponed indefinitely by the House State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Committee on February 22, 2012..		
<b>Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013:</b> None required.		
<b>Local Government Impact:</b> None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill requires that the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE) design a pilot program to allow certain unemployed or underemployed adults to obtain a career and technical education certificate in 12 months or less. The certificate programs are intended to integrate information and math literacy development programs with career and technical training. The SBCCOE, in consultation with local district junior colleges, must develop and offer to community colleges at least 20 accelerated certificate programs by the spring semester of the 2013 academic year.

Community colleges, technical colleges, and local district junior colleges that choose to participate in the pilot program are required to report participation information to the Department of Higher Education. The pilot program is repealed on July 1, 2017.

**State Expenditures**

In FY 2012-13, this bill will have costs of \$40,000 federal funds in the SBCCOE to design the 20 certificate programs. Federal funds are not appropriated by the General Assembly. The SBCCOE has obtained a federal Trade Adjustment Assistance grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to fund this increased cost. Colleges that participate in the program will have slightly increased costs to report participation in the program to the DHE.

**Departments Contacted**

Higher Education