

Economic Analysis of HB18-1226

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The Colorado General Assembly has proposed HB18-1226 relating to tertiary levels of education. This bill would require reviews and analyses of current undergraduate degree programs offered by the University of Colorado (CU) and Colorado State University (CSU). In the review and analysis of each degree program, the Commission on Higher

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programs outside of the state, there would be no data showing how these programs perform outside of Colorado. Missing data on degree program performance in other states or regions of the world could undermine the quality of the programs that were reviewed. This lack of information could affect the decision on deciding whether a program is beneficial.

on investment over 20 years ranks 176, and CSU ranks 310 (PayScale). The returns on investment are representative o

Additionally, in January, the University of Colorado system implemented Regent Policy 4.B.1 which aims to accomplish nearly

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