Support HB 1057

Parental Involvement for Academic Achievement Sponsored by Representative Andy Kerr and Senator Bob Bacon

What the Proposed Parental Involvement Policy Does:

- It allows employees of Colorado businesses to take up to 18 hours per academic year of unpaid leave to attend their children's parent-teacher conferences or other academic activities.
- The law applies to those businesses that are subject to the Family Medical Leave Act, which is businesses with 50 or more employees.
- The leave is limited to 6 hours per month, and the employer may require that the leave be taken in increments of 3 hours or less.
- Parents are required to provide employers with at least 1 calendar week's notice of the leave, except in an emergency.
- Employers may require that employees provide written verification of the reason for leave, and in the case of leave taken for an emergency, the employee must provide written verification of the leave upon return to work.
- Part time employees accrue their leave at the percentage of full-time hours that they
 work (if you work 20 hours a week you would receive half of the leave time received by
 a full-time employee).
- An employer may limit the leave granted to an employee if the health and safety of a person necessitates that the employee be present at work.
- Specifies that businesses that already have comparable leave policies that may be used for the same purpose and under the other provisions of the bill are not required to provide additional leave.

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