

HB1204_L.001

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Education.HB14-1204 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-303, add (4)
4 as follows:

5 **22-11-303. Accredited or accredited with distinction -**
6 **performance plan - school district or institute - contents - adoption.**

7 (4) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF
8 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, THE LOCAL SCHOOL
9 BOARD OF A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ADOPT AND SUBMIT TO
10 THE DEPARTMENT A SCHOOL DISTRICT PERFORMANCE PLAN FOR THE
11 SCHOOL DISTRICT AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION
12 EVERY TWO YEARS SO LONG AS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTAINS THE
13 STATUS OF ACCREDITED OR ACCREDITED WITH DISTINCTION.

14 (b) AS USED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4), A SMALL
15 RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN COLORADO THAT THE
16 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS RURAL, BASED ON THE GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF
17 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM
18 THE NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED AREA, AND THAT ENROLLS FEWER THAN
19 ONE THOUSAND STUDENTS.

20 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-403, add (4)
21 as follows:

22 **22-11-403. School performance plan - contents.**

23 (4) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE
24 CONTRARY, THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
25 SUPERINTENDENT, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF A
26 SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ADOPT A SCHOOL PERFORMANCE
27 PLAN FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS
28 SECTION EVERY TWO YEARS SO LONG AS THE STATE BOARD, PURSUANT TO
29 SECTION 22-11-210, REQUIRES THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TO IMPLEMENT A
30 PERFORMANCE PLAN.

31 (b) AS USED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4), A SMALL
32 RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN COLORADO THAT THE
33 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS RURAL, BASED ON THE GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF
34 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM
35 THE NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED AREA, AND THAT ENROLLS FEWER THAN
36 ONE THOUSAND STUDENTS.

37 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-210, amend
38 (2) (b) as follows:



1 **22-11-210. Public schools - annual review - plans - supports**
2 **and interventions - rules.** (2) (b) (I) Notwithstanding any provision of
3 this article to the contrary, a school district with one thousand students or
4 fewer may submit a single plan to satisfy the school district and school
5 plan requirements, so long as the plan meets all state and federal
6 requirements for school and district plans. A school district with more
7 than one thousand but fewer than one thousand two hundred students
8 may, upon request and at the department's discretion, submit a single plan
9 to satisfy the school district and school plan requirements, so long as the
10 plan meets all state and federal requirements for school and district plans.

11 (II) A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT IS AUTHORIZED
12 PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-303 (4) TO SUBMIT A SCHOOL DISTRICT
13 PERFORMANCE PLAN EVERY TWO YEARS MAY SUBMIT A SINGLE PLAN TO
14 SATISFY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL PLAN REQUIREMENTS ONLY
15 IF EACH OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE SINGLE PLAN
16 IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-403 (4) TO SUBMIT A SCHOOL
17 PERFORMANCE PLAN EVERY TWO YEARS. AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH
18 (II), A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN
19 COLORADO THAT THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS RURAL, BASED ON THE
20 GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE
21 SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED AREA, AND THAT
22 ENROLLS FEWER THAN ONE THOUSAND STUDENTS.

23 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-7-1210, **amend**
24 (5) (b) (III); and **add** (5) (b) (III.5) as follows:

25 **22-7-1210. Early literacy fund - created - repeal.** (5) (b) A
26 local education provider may use the per-pupil intervention moneys only
27 as follows:

28 (III) To purchase tutoring services in reading for students with
29 significant reading deficiencies; ~~or~~

30 (III.5) FOR A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER THAT IS A SMALL
31 RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-303 (4) (b), TO
32 PURCHASE FROM A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES THE SERVICES OF A
33 LITERACY SPECIALIST TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PROFESSIONAL
34 DEVELOPMENT IN LITERACY AND OTHER SUPPORT IN IMPLEMENTING THE
35 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PART 12; OR

36 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-7-1211, **amend**
37 (1) and (2) (c); and **add** (2) (c.5) as follows:

38 **22-7-1211. Early literacy grant program - created.** (1) There
39 is hereby created in the department the early literacy grant program to
40 provide moneys to local education providers to implement literacy
41 support and intervention instruction programs, including but not limited

1 to related professional development programs, to assist students in
2 kindergarten and first, second, and third grades to achieve reading
3 competency. The state board by rule shall establish the application
4 timelines and the information to be included in each grant application. A
5 local education provider may apply individually or as part of a group of
6 local education providers. A rural school district that is a member of a
7 board of cooperative services may seek assistance in writing the grant
8 application from the board of cooperative services. A BOARD OF
9 COOPERATIVE SERVICES MAY APPLY FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE
10 INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT IN LITERACY FOR SMALL RURAL SCHOOL
11 DISTRICTS, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-303 (4) (b), THAT ARE
12 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES.

13 (2) The department shall review each grant application received
14 and recommend to the state board whether to award the grant and the
15 duration and amount of each grant. In making recommendations, the
16 department shall consider the following factors:

17 (c) The cost of the instructional program that the applying local
18 education provider or group of local education providers plans to
19 implement using the grant moneys; and

20 (c.5) IN THE CASE OF A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES THAT
21 APPLIES FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT IN LITERACY,
22 THE NUMBER OF SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AS DESCRIBED IN
23 SECTION 22-11-303 (4) (b), THE NUMBER OF KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST-,
24 SECOND-, AND THIRD-GRADE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SMALL RURAL
25 SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THE SMALL RURAL
26 SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT WILL RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT AS A
27 RESULT OF THE GRANT;

28 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-117, add (7) as
29 follows:

30 **22-2-117. Additional power - state board - waiver of**
31 **requirements - rules.** (7) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS
32 SECTION TO THE CONTRARY, FOR THE 2014-15 SCHOOL YEAR AND SCHOOL
33 YEARS THEREAFTER, THE STATUTES AND STATE RULES THAT THE STATE
34 BOARD AUTOMATICALLY WAIVES FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS, AS REQUIRED IN
35 SECTION 22-30.5-104 (6) (b) AND SPECIFIED IN RULES OF THE STATE
36 BOARD, ARE AUTOMATICALLY WAIVED FOR EACH SMALL RURAL SCHOOL
37 DISTRICT THAT IS ACCREDITED OR ACCREDITED WITH DISTINCTION AS
38 PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-11-208. A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY
39 SEEK ADDITIONAL WAIVERS OF STATUTE AND STATE RULES AS PROVIDED
40 IN THIS SECTION.

41 (b) AS USED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7), A SMALL

1 RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN COLORADO THAT THE
2 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS RURAL, BASED ON THE GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF
3 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM
4 THE NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED AREA, AND THAT ENROLLS FEWER THAN
5 ONE THOUSAND STUDENTS.

6 **SECTION 7. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
7 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
8 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety."

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