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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING EDUCATION REGARDING THE PREVENTION OF CHILD**
102 **SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,**
103 **MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)

The bill requires the director of the school safety resource center to appoint a person to collect and make available materials and training regarding the awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and assault. The materials must include professional development materials for school personnel and parents and age-appropriate curricula for kindergarten

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

through twelfth grade. The appointed person must also offer in-person and on-line training for school personnel and parents and publicize and make available on-line the materials, training, and curricula. The appointed person must seek to work with appropriate community-based organizations in creating and collecting the materials, training, and curricula.

Each school district is encouraged to include in its school safety plan a child sexual abuse and prevention plan, and each charter school is encouraged to adopt a child sexual abuse and prevention plan. A plan may include professional development for school personnel and parents and age-appropriate curricula for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

An educator who receives professional development in the awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and assault may use the professional development to meet the requirements for renewing his or her educator license.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1803,
3 **amend** (3) (j) and (3) (k); and **add** (3) (l) as follows:

4 **24-33.5-1803. School safety resource center - created - duties**
5 **- repeal.** (3) The center has the following duties:

6 (j) To provide information and resources relating to the
7 development and maintenance of school resource officer programs, as
8 determined by the center, to the division of fire prevention and control in
9 the department of public safety for distribution to school districts and
10 schools pursuant to section 24-33.5-1213.4 and to law enforcement
11 agencies and other community partners, as described in section
12 22-32-109.1, C.R.S.; and

13 (k) To provide suggestions for school resource officer training to
14 the peace officers standards and training board, pursuant to section
15 24-31-312; AND

16 (l) TO PROVIDE MATERIALS AND TRAINING AS DESCRIBED IN

1 SECTION 24-33.5-1809 TO PERSONNEL IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER
2 SCHOOLS, PARENTS, AND STUDENTS REGARDING THE AWARENESS AND
3 PREVENTION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

4 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-33.5-1809 as
5 follows:

6 **24-33.5-1809. Prevention of child sexual abuse and assault -**
7 **resource bank - training.** (1) THE DIRECTOR SHALL APPOINT A PERSON
8 TO THE CENTER TO COLLECT AND PROVIDE MATERIALS AND TO PROVIDE
9 TRAINING TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL, PARENTS, AND STUDENTS REGARDING
10 PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING MATERIALS
11 AND TRAINING THAT ARE SPECIFIC TO PREVENTING SEXUAL ABUSE AND
12 ASSAULT OF CHILDREN WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. AT A
13 MINIMUM, THE APPOINTED PERSON SHALL:

14 (a) RESEARCH AND SELECT INSTRUCTION MODULES FOR
15 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL THAT MAY
16 INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

17 (I) TRAINING IN PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO
18 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING INFORMATION
19 CONCERNING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE SYSTEM CREATED
20 PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S.; AND

21 (II) RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL
22 AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AND
23 PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

24 (b) PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN
25 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
26 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE
27 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S. THE

1 APPOINTED PERSON MAY PROVIDE TRAINING IN PERSON OR THROUGH
2 ON-LINE PRESENTATIONS.

3 (c) RESEARCH AND SELECT MODEL, AGE-APPROPRIATE
4 EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESIGNED FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES
5 KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND
6 ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED
7 NOT BE LIMITED TO:

8 (I) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:

9 (A) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

10 (B) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING
11 AND CONTACT; AND

12 (C) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR
13 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

14 (II) STRATEGIES TO:

15 (A) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;

16 (B) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND

17 (C) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS;

18 (d) PUBLICIZE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC
19 SCHOOLS THE AVAILABILITY OF THE TRAINING AND RESOURCES FOR
20 SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS AND THE AGE-APPROPRIATE EDUCATION
21 MATERIALS FOR CHILDREN; AND

22 (e) MAKE THE TRAINING AND RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL
23 AND PARENTS AND THE AGE-APPROPRIATE EDUCATION MATERIALS FOR
24 CHILDREN AVAILABLE ON THE CENTER'S WEB SITE.

25 (2) THE APPOINTED PERSON SHALL SEEK TO WORK WITH
26 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN CREATING AND
27 COLLECTING THE MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND CURRICULA REGARDING

1 AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.
2 THE APPOINTED PERSON MAY CREATE AND COLLECT MATERIALS,
3 CURRICULA, AND OTHER RESOURCES REGARDING OTHER FORMS OF CHILD
4 MALTREATMENT AND MAKE THE MATERIALS, CURRICULA, AND RESOURCES
5 AVAILABLE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS.

6 (3) THE PERSON APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS
7 SECTION SHALL SOLICIT AND ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE CENTER GIFTS,
8 GRANTS, AND DONATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION, AS PROVIDED IN
9 SECTION 24-33.5-1807 (2). MONEYS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS
10 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO
11 SHALL CREDIT THE MONEYS TO THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER
12 CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-33.5-1807. ANY MONEYS RECEIVED
13 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3) ARE IN ADDITION TO APPROPRIATIONS
14 OF STATE MONEYS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION, AND IMPLEMENTING THIS
15 SECTION IS NOT CONDITIONAL OR DEPENDENT ON THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS,
16 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS.

17 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES
18 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER
19 EMPLOYEES OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

20 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-109.1, **add**
21 (2.5) as follows:

22 **22-32-109.1. Board of education - specific powers and duties**
23 **- safe school plan - conduct and discipline code - safe school reporting**
24 **requirements - school response framework - school resource officers**
25 **- definitions. (2.5) (a) Safe school plan - child sexual abuse and**
26 **assault prevention plan.** EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED, AS
27 PART OF ITS SAFE SCHOOL PLAN, TO ADOPT A CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND

1 ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO
2 INCLUDE IN THE PLAN DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE, AGE-APPROPRIATE
3 CURRICULA FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE REGARDING
4 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE
5 CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

- 6 (I) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:
 - 7 (A) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;
 - 8 (B) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING
9 AND CONTACT; AND
 - 10 (C) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR
11 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND
- 12 (II) STRATEGIES TO:
 - 13 (A) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;
 - 14 (B) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND
 - 15 (C) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.

16 (b) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE
17 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN PROFESSIONAL
18 DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN PREVENTING,
19 IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.
20 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING TRAINING IN
21 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
22 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE
23 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S., AND
24 DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL
25 PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT
26 AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

27 (c) A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO USE CURRICULA AND

1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND OTHER
2 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER
3 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.

4 (d) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2.5), "SCHOOL PERSONNEL"
5 INCLUDES TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS,
6 AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A PUBLIC SCHOOL.

7 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-30.5-120 as
8 follows:

9 **22-30.5-120. Charter schools - child sexual abuse and assault**
10 **plan.** (1) EACH CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO ADOPT A CHILD
11 SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH CHARTER SCHOOL
12 IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE PLAN DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE,
13 AGE-APPROPRIATE CURRICULA FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL THAT THE
14 CHARTER SCHOOL SERVES REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT
15 AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED
16 NOT BE LIMITED TO:

- 17 (a) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:
- 18 (I) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;
- 19 (II) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING
20 AND CONTACT; AND
- 21 (III) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR
22 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

- 23 (b) STRATEGIES TO:
- 24 (I) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;
- 25 (II) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND
- 26 (III) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.
- 27 (2) EACH CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE

1 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN PROFESSIONAL
2 DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN PREVENTING,
3 IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.
4 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING TRAINING IN
5 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
6 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE
7 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S., AND
8 DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL
9 PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT
10 AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

11 (3) A CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO USE CURRICULA AND
12 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND OTHER
13 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER
14 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.

15 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES
16 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER
17 EMPLOYEES OF A CHARTER SCHOOL.

18 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 22-30.5-527** as
19 follows:

20 **22-30.5-527. Institute charter schools - child sexual abuse and**
21 **assault plan.** (1) EACH INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO
22 ADOPT A CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH
23 INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE PLAN
24 DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE, AGE-APPROPRIATE CURRICULA FOR EACH
25 GRADE LEVEL THAT THE INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL SERVES REGARDING
26 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE
27 CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

- 1 (a) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:
- 2 (I) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;
- 3 (II) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING
- 4 AND CONTACT; AND
- 5 (III) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR
- 6 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND
- 7 (b) STRATEGIES TO:
- 8 (I) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;
- 9 (II) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND
- 10 (III) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.
- 11 (2) EACH INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO
- 12 INCLUDE IN THE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN
- 13 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN
- 14 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
- 15 AND ASSAULT. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING
- 16 TRAINING IN PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD
- 17 SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE
- 18 REPORTING HOTLINE SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111,
- 19 C.R.S. AND DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF
- 20 SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND
- 21 ASSAULT AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.
- 22 (3) AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO USE
- 23 CURRICULA AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING,
- 24 AND OTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE
- 25 CENTER PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.
- 26 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES
- 27 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER

1 EMPLOYEES OF AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL.

2 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-110, **amend**
3 (3) (b) introductory portion as follows:

4 **22-60.5-110. Renewal of licenses.** (3) (b) A professional licensee
5 shall complete such ongoing professional development within the period
6 of time for which such professional license is valid. Such professional
7 development may include, but need not be limited to, in-service education
8 programs, including programs concerning juvenile mental health issues
9 and the awareness and prevention of youth suicide AND TRAINING IN
10 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
11 AND ASSAULT; college or university credit from an accepted institution of
12 higher education or a community, technical, or junior college; educational
13 travel that meets the requirements specified in paragraph (d) of this
14 subsection (3); involvement in school reform; internships; and ongoing
15 professional development training and experiences. The state board of
16 education, by rule, may establish minimum criteria for professional
17 development; except that such criteria shall not:

18 **SECTION 7. Appropriation.** For the 2015-16 state fiscal year,
19 \$72,512 is appropriated to the department of public safety for use by the
20 school safety resource center. This appropriation is from the general fund
21 and is based on an assumption that the department will require an
22 additional 0.9 FTE.

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