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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Requires each school district board of education to adopt a policy providing for:

Notice to a student's parent or legal guardian of the student's likely need for additional college preparation based on the results of the eleventh-grade ACT; and

An adequate supply of courses in high school to permit a student who needs additional preparation to receive it prior to high school graduation.

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.*

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Article 1 of title 23, Colorado Revised Statutes, is
3 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

4 **23-1-119.1. Commission directive - notice of college**
5 **preparatory courses for high school students.** (1) THE COMMISSION
6 SHALL ADOPT A POLICY ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005, TO:

7 (a) OBTAIN, ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1 OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, FROM
8 THE TEST ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE STANDARDIZED, CURRICULUM-BASED,
9 ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO
10 SECTION 22-7-409 (1.5) (a), C.R.S., AND THE PRE-COLLEGIATE EXAM THE
11 NAMES AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED IN
12 COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHO TAKE EITHER EXAM;

13 (b) BEGINNING IN THE SPRING OF 2006, SEND AN ANNUAL NOTICE
14 CONCERNING COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES TO THE PARENT OR LEGAL
15 GUARDIAN OF EACH STUDENT WHO TAKES THE STANDARDIZED,
16 CURRICULUM-BASED, ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM
17 ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-409 (1.5) (a), C.R.S., OR THE
18 PRE-COLLEGIATE EXAM. THE NOTICE SHALL BE SENT TO THE PARENT OR
19 LEGAL GUARDIAN PRIOR TO THE START OF A STUDENT'S TWELFTH-GRADE
20 YEAR IF THE STUDENT TOOK THE STANDARDIZED, CURRICULUM-BASED,
21 ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM, OR PRIOR TO THE START OF A
22 STUDENT'S ELEVENTH-GRADE YEAR IF THE STUDENT TOOK THE
23 PRE-COLLEGIATE EXAM. AT A MINIMUM, THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE:

24 (I) A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES AN
25 INADEQUATE SCORE IN MATHEMATICS, WRITING, OR READING, BASED ON

1 THE PRE-COLLEGIATE CURRICULUM GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE
2 COMMISSION;

3 (II) INFORMATION REGARDING A STUDENT'S ABILITY TO TAKE
4 BASIC, PRE-COLLEGIATE SKILLS COURSES WHILE ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC
5 HIGH SCHOOL; AND

6 (III) NOTICE THAT A STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MAY
7 CONTACT THE SCHOOL IN WHICH THE STUDENT IS ENROLLED IF HE OR SHE
8 DESIRES TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE STUDENT TO ADDRESS THE COURSE
9 WORK NEEDED TO MEET THE PRE-COLLEGIATE CURRICULUM GUIDELINES
10 ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION.

11 **SECTION 2.** 22-32-109 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
12 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

13 **22-32-109. Board of education - specific duties - repeal.** (1) In
14 addition to any other duty required to be performed by law, each board
15 of education shall have and perform the following specific duties:

16 (ff) TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A STUDENT ENROLLED IN
17 A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF THE DISTRICT TO TAKE A BASIC, PRE-COLLEGIATE
18 SKILLS COURSE OR DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ACADEMIC REMEDIATION UPON
19 THE REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

20 **SECTION 3.** 22-30.5-505 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
21 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

22 **22-30.5-505. State charter school institute - institute board -**
23 **appointment - powers and duties - rules.** (3) The mission of the
24 institute board shall be to foster high-quality public school choices
25 offered through institute charter schools, including particularly schools
26 for at-risk students. In discharging its duties pursuant to this part 5, the
27 institute shall:

1 (1) PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A STUDENT ENROLLED IN AN
2 INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL TO TAKE A BASIC, PRE-COLLEGIATE SKILLS
3 COURSE OR DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ACADEMIC REMEDIATION UPON THE
4 REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

5 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
6 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
7 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.