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HOUSE BILL 05-1057

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF POSTSECONDARY
102 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

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 for the provision of notice to parents and legal guardians of high school students concerning:

The Colorado commission on higher education's pre-collegiate curriculum;
Potential financial liabilities if a student later needs remedial education; and
The availability of information regarding financial

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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assistance to attend a 4-year college or university.

Directs the parent or legal guardian to acknowledge receipt of the notice and communicate to the school either that the parent or legal guardian is in agreement with the student's decision not to enroll in the pre-collegiate curriculum or that the parent or legal guardian will work with the school to enroll the student in the pre-collegiate curriculum.

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

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

4 **22-32-109. Board of education - specific duties - repeal.** (1) In
5 addition to any other duty required to be performed by law, each board
6 of education shall have and perform the following specific duties:

7 (ff) (I) TO ADOPT A POLICY PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF
8 POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO PARENTS OR LEGAL
9 GUARDIANS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN HIGH SCHOOL. AT A MINIMUM, THE
10 NOTICE SHALL SPECIFY:

11 (A) THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION'S
12 PRE-COLLEGIATE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS;

13 (B) A STUDENT'S POTENTIAL NEED FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND
14 ANY RELATED FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS THAT MAY FALL TO THE STUDENT'S
15 PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IF THE STUDENT DESIRES TO APPLY TO A
16 STATE-SUPPORTED, FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN COLORADO
17 BUT DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRE-COLLEGIATE
18 CURRICULUM; AND

19 (C) THE AVAILABILITY OF AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACQUIRING
20 INFORMATION REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND AN
21 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

22 (II) UPON RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE, THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR

1 LEGAL GUARDIAN SHALL COMMUNICATE WITH THE SCHOOL IN WHICH THE
2 STUDENT IS ENROLLED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE AND TO
3 INFORM THE SCHOOL EITHER THAT THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
4 AGREES WITH THE STUDENT'S CHOICE NOT TO ENROLL IN THE
5 PRE-COLLEGIATE CURRICULUM OR THAT THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN
6 WILL WORK WITH THE SCHOOL TO ENROLL THE STUDENT IN THE
7 PRE-COLLEGIATE CURRICULUM.

8 **SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01
9 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after
10 final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting
11 a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state
12 constitution (August 10, 2005, if adjournment sine die is on May 11,
13 2005); except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an
14 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,
15 section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of
16 the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the
17 governor.