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LLS NO. 05-0220.01 Jane Ritter

**HOUSE BILL 05-1057**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF POSTSECONDARY**  
102 **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.**

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**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.*

*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from 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.

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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 THE FOLLOWING NEW  
4 PARAGRAPHS to read:

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

8           (ff) TO ADOPT A POLICY ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005, TO:

9           (I) PROVIDE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR,  
10 THE NAMES AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE  
11 EIGHTH GRADE TO THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION  
12 FOR USE IN MAILING THE NOTICE OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL  
13 OPPORTUNITIES AND HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES AS  
14 REQUIRED IN SECTION 23-1-119.1, C.R.S.; AND

15           (II) PROVIDE TO THE PARENT OF A STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE  
16 EIGHTH GRADE, PRIOR TO THE STUDENT'S ENROLLMENT IN HIS OR HER  
17 NINTH GRADE COURSES, A LIST OF COURSES THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS  
18 AVAILABLE THAT SATISFY THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER  
19 EDUCATION'S HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES. \_\_\_\_\_

20           (gg) TO INCLUDE A PROVISION IN ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO  
21 BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH A COLLEGE PREPARATION PROGRAM  
22 OPERATING WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT THE COLLEGE

1 PREPARATION PROGRAM SHALL PROVIDE TO THE COLORADO COMMISSION  
2 ON HIGHER EDUCATION, ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH SCHOOL  
3 YEAR, A REPORT SPECIFYING EACH STUDENT, BY UNIQUE IDENTIFYING  
4 NUMBER, TO THE EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY FEDERAL LAW, WHO WAS  
5 ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM DURING THE PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR; WHO  
6 COMPLETED THE PROGRAM DURING THE PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR; AND  
7 WHO ENROLLED IN AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITHIN SIX  
8 MONTHS AFTER COMPLETING THE PROGRAM. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS  
9 PARAGRAPH (gg) SHALL APPLY TO CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO OR RENEWED  
10 ON OR AFTER AUGUST 10, 2005.

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

13 **23-1-119.1. Commission directive - notice of postsecondary**  
14 **educational opportunities and higher education admission guidelines.**

15 (1) ANNUALLY, BEGINNING IN THE SPRING OF 2006, UPON RECEIPT OF  
16 THE NAMES AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE  
17 EIGHTH GRADE FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF EACH SCHOOL  
18 DISTRICT IN COLORADO AND THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, THE  
19 COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE  
20 OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO THE PARENTS OR  
21 LEGAL GUARDIANS OF ALL EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PUBLIC  
22 SCHOOLS IN THE STATE. AT A MINIMUM, THE NOTICE SHALL SPECIFY:

23 (a) THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION'S HIGHER  
24 EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES AND AN EXPLANATION THAT  
25 COMPLIANCE WITH THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES IS  
26 NECESSARY FOR ACCEPTANCE, BUT IS NOT A GUARANTEE OF ADMISSION,  
27 TO A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION;

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(b) A STUDENT'S POTENTIAL NEED FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND ANY RELATED FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS THAT MAY FALL TO THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IF THE STUDENT DESIRES TO APPLY TO A STATE-SUPPORTED, FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN COLORADO BUT DOES NOT MEET THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES;

(c) A STUDENT WHO FAILS TO PASS A COURSE LISTED IN THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES MAY ENROLL IN A REMEDIAL COURSE, SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF WHICH WILL SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES;

(d) THE AVAILABILITY OF AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACQUIRING INFORMATION REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, INCLUDING STIPEND AMOUNTS, TUITION, AND OTHER FINANCIAL AID;

(e) THE ANNUAL STATE STIPEND AMOUNT AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-18-202;

(f) THE ANNUAL COST OF IN-STATE TUITION FOR ATTENDANCE AT A PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION IN THE STATE; \_\_\_\_\_

(g) THE AMOUNT OF THE STUDENT'S SHARE OF TUITION AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-18-207; AND

(h) NOTIFICATION THAT THE STIPEND AMOUNT AND THE AMOUNT OF TUITION MAY CHANGE ANNUALLY.

**SECTION 3.** Article 30.5 of title 22, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

**22-30.5-516. Notice of pre-collegiate admission guidelines - report to Colorado commission on higher education. Notice of higher education admission guidelines.** (1) THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL

1 INSTITUTE BOARD SHALL ADOPT A POLICY ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1,  
2 2005, TO:

3 (a) PROVIDE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR  
4 THE NAMES AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE  
5 EIGHTH GRADE IN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS TO THE COLORADO  
6 COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR USE IN MAILING THE NOTICE OF  
7 POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND PRE-COLLEGIATE  
8 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 23-1-119.1, C.R.S.;  
9 HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES AS REQUIRED IN SECTION  
10 23-1-119.1, C.R.S.

11 (b) INCLUDE A PROVISION IN ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BY AN  
12 INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL WITH A COLLEGE PREPARATION PROGRAM  
13 THAT THE COLLEGE PREPARATION PROGRAM SHALL PROVIDE TO THE  
14 COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, ON OR BEFORE  
15 DECEMBER 31 OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, A REPORT SPECIFYING EACH  
16 STUDENT, BY UNIQUE IDENTIFYING NUMBER, TO THE EXTENT PERMISSIBLE  
17 BY FEDERAL LAW, WHO WAS ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM DURING THE  
18 PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR; WHO COMPLETED THE PROGRAM DURING THE  
19 PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR; AND WHO ENROLLED IN AN INSTITUTION OF  
20 HIGHER EDUCATION WITHIN SIX MONTHS AFTER COMPLETING THE  
21 PROGRAM. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) SHALL APPLY TO  
22 CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO OR RENEWED ON OR AFTER AUGUST 10, 2005

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25 **SECTION 4. Effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01  
26 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after  
27 final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting

1 a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state  
2 constitution (August 10, 2005, if adjournment sine die is on May 11,  
3 2005); except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an  
4 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,  
5 section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date  
6 of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the  
7 governor.