

SB256\_L.053

## HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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 Chairman of Committee

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 Date
Committee on Education.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB09-256 be amended as follows:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 51, after line 11, insert the following:

2 "SECTION 27. 22-33-205 (3) and (4), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
3 are amended to read:

4 **22-33-205. Services for expelled and at-risk students - grants**  
5 **- criteria.** (3) The state board shall annually award at least forty-five  
6 percent of any moneys appropriated for ~~this grant~~ THE program to  
7 applicants ~~who~~ THAT provide educational services to students from more  
8 than one school district AND AT LEAST ONE-HALF OF ANY INCREASE IN THE  
9 APPROPRIATION FOR THE PROGRAM FOR THE 2009-10 FISCAL YEAR TO  
10 APPLICANTS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THAT ARE DESIGNED  
11 TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF TRUANCY CASES REQUIRING COURT  
12 INVOLVEMENT AND THAT ALSO REFLECT THE BEST INTERESTS OF  
13 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. THE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS SHALL INCLUDE,  
14 BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, ALTERNATIVES TO GUARDIAN AD LITEM  
15 REPRESENTATION IN TRUANCY PROCEEDINGS.

16 (4) The department of education is authorized to retain up to one  
17 percent of any moneys appropriated for the ~~grant~~ program for the purpose  
18 of annually evaluating the ~~expelled and at-risk student services grant~~  
19 program. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS AUTHORIZED AND  
20 ENCOURAGED TO RETAIN UP TO AN ADDITIONAL TWO PERCENT OF ANY  
21 MONEYS APPROPRIATED FOR THE PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
22 PARTNERING WITH ORGANIZATIONS OR AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE SERVICES  
23 AND SUPPORTS THAT ARE DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF TRUANCY  
24 CASES REQUIRING COURT INVOLVEMENT AND THAT ALSO REFLECT THE



1 BEST INTERESTS OF STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. THE SERVICES AND  
2 SUPPORTS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, ALTERNATIVES  
3 TO GUARDIAN AD LITEM REPRESENTATION IN TRUANCY PROCEEDINGS. On  
4 or before January 1, 2006, and on or before January 1 each year thereafter,  
5 the department of education shall report to the education committees of  
6 the house of representatives and the senate, OR ANY SUCCESSOR  
7 COMMITTEES, the evaluation findings on the outcomes and the  
8 effectiveness of the program related to school attendance, attachment, and  
9 achievement. THE REPORT SHALL ALSO INCLUDE SPECIFIC INFORMATION  
10 ON THE EFFICACY OF SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THAT PROVIDE  
11 ALTERNATIVES TO COURT INVOLVEMENT AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM  
12 REPRESENTATION IN TRUANCY PROCEEDINGS."

13 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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