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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING MEASURES TO INCREASE PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN**
102 **PUBLIC EDUCATION.**

Bill Summary

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

Colorado state advisory council for parent involvement in education: Creates the state advisory council for parent involvement in education (council) in the department of education (department). Specifies the council membership. Directs the council to advise public education entities concerning best practices and strategies, aligned with national standards, for increasing parent involvement in public education and promoting family and school partnerships. Creates the parent

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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involvement in education grant program (program) to provide moneys to public schools to create and implement programs to increase parent involvement in public education. Directs the state board of education (state board) to adopt rules to implement the program. Specifies eligibility criteria for applicants. Directs the council to review applications and make recommendations to the state board for awarding grants. Requires the state board, subject to available appropriations, to award grants, and creates the parent involvement grant program fund (fund) for payment of grants. Allows appropriation of state education moneys to the fund. Requires recipient schools to report the success of grant-funded programs, and directs the council to submit a summary report to the state board and the education committees of the general assembly. Repeals the council and the grant program following sunset review.

School district accountability committees and school advisory councils: Allows for an increase in the number of persons serving on a school district accountability committee (committee), but requires a specified percentage of parent representation. Directs each school district, to the extent practicable, to ensure that the parents serving on the committee reflect the student groups significantly represented within the population of students enrolled in the school district.

Changes the name of school advisory councils to school accountability committees (accountability committee). Allows for an increase in the number of persons serving on an accountability committee, but requires a specific percentage of parent representation. Directs the principal of each school, to the extent practicable, to ensure that the parents serving on the accountability committee reflect the student groups significantly represented within the population of students enrolled in the school. Specifies that each district and state charter school shall have an accountability committee and that the school's governing board cannot substitute for an accountability committee. Prohibits waiver of the accountability committee requirement for charter schools, and makes failure to institute an accountability committee grounds for revocation of a charter.

Addition of parent members to selected committees. Requires at least one parent to be appointed to each of the following boards: The school leadership academy board, district and institute charter school governing boards, each of the regional service area councils, the state charter school institute board, the board of trustees for the Colorado school for the deaf and the blind, and the advisory committee to the Colorado commission on higher education.

Makes conforming amendments.

1 PROFESSIONALS AT THEIR SCHOOLS COLLABORATE TO BRIDGE THE GAP
2 BETWEEN THE CULTURE AT HOME AND THAT AT THE SCHOOL; AND

3 (e) SECONDARY STUDENTS WHOSE PARENTS ARE INVOLVED WITH
4 THEIR SCHOOLS MAKE BETTER TRANSITIONS INTO POSTSECONDARY
5 EDUCATION, MAINTAIN THE QUALITY OF THEIR ACADEMIC WORK, AND ARE
6 MORE LIKE TO DEVELOP REALISTIC PLANS FOR THEIR FUTURES.

7 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THEREFORE FINDS THAT IT IS IN THE
8 BEST INTERESTS OF THE STATE TO CREATE A STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
9 FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION THAT WILL REVIEW BEST
10 PRACTICES AND RECOMMEND TO POLICY MAKERS AND EDUCATORS
11 STRATEGIES TO INCREASE PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN PUBLIC EDUCATION,
12 THEREBY HELPING TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND
13 RAISE THE LEVEL OF STUDENTS' ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT THROUGHOUT
14 THE STATE.

15 (3) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS THAT, BASED ON THE
16 STUDIES THAT SHOW INCREASED PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOLS
17 RESULTS IN HIGHER STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT
18 IN EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM, WHICH PROVIDES MONEYS TO ASSIST
19 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT
20 GREATER PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN THE SCHOOLS, IS AN ACCOUNTABLE
21 PROGRAM TO MEET STATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND IS THEREFORE
22 ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE MONEYS FROM THE STATE EDUCATION FUND
23 CREATED IN SECTION 17 (4) OF ARTICLE IX OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

24 **22-7-302. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 3, UNLESS THE
25 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

26 (1) "CHARTER SCHOOL" MEANS A CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED
27 BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF THIS

1 TITLE OR A CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE CHARTER
2 SCHOOL INSTITUTE PURSUANT TO PART 5 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF THIS TITLE.

3 (2) "CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP" MEANS TO LESSEN THE
4 VARIANCE IN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AMONG STUDENT GROUPS, AS
5 REFLECTED IN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SCORES OR PERFORMANCE ON
6 POSTSECONDARY AND WORKFORCE READINESS ASSESSMENTS, BY
7 IMPROVING THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF STUDENTS IN THOSE GROUPS
8 THAT ARE UNDERPERFORMING.

9 (3) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE COLORADO STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
10 FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION CREATED IN SECTION 22-7-303.

11 (4) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
12 CREATED AND EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-1-115, C.R.S.

13 (5) "FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING
14 AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 26-18-102 (4), C.R.S.

15 (6) "NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS"
16 MEANS THE FOLLOWING RESEARCH-BASED STANDARDS FOR
17 FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY BY PARENT
18 TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS:

19 (a) FAMILIES ARE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LIFE OF THE
20 SCHOOL AND FEEL WELCOMED, VALUED, AND CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER,
21 TO SCHOOL STAFF, AND TO WHAT STUDENTS ARE LEARNING AND DOING IN
22 THE CLASSROOM;

23 (b) FAMILIES AND SCHOOL STAFF ENGAGE IN REGULAR,
24 MEANINGFUL COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING;

25 (c) FAMILIES AND SCHOOL STAFF CONTINUOUSLY COLLABORATE
26 TO SUPPORT STUDENTS' LEARNING AND HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT BOTH AT
27 HOME AND AT SCHOOL AND HAVE REGULAR OPPORTUNITIES TO

1 STRENGTHEN THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO PROVIDE SAID SUPPORT
2 EFFECTIVELY;

3 (d) FAMILIES ARE EMPOWERED TO BE ADVOCATES FOR THEIR OWN
4 AND OTHER CHILDREN TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS ARE TREATED FAIRLY
5 AND HAVE ACCESS TO LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL SUPPORT
6 THEIR SUCCESS;

7 (e) FAMILIES AND SCHOOL STAFF ARE EQUAL PARTNERS IN
8 DECISIONS THAT AFFECT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND TOGETHER INFORM,
9 INFLUENCE, AND CREATE POLICIES, PRACTICES, AND PROGRAMS; AND

10 (f) FAMILIES AND SCHOOL STAFF COLLABORATE WITH COMMUNITY
11 MEMBERS TO CONNECT STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND STAFF TO EXPANDED
12 LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES, COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND CIVIC
13 PARTICIPATION.

14 (7) "PARENT" MEANS A CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL PARENT, ADOPTIVE
15 PARENT, OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OR ANOTHER ADULT PERSON RECOGNIZED
16 BY THE CHILD'S SCHOOL AS THE CHILD'S PRIMARY CAREGIVER.

17 (8) "PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM" MEANS A PROGRAM TO TEACH
18 PARENTS STRATEGIES AND SKILLS FOR WORKING WITH THEIR CHILDREN
19 AND THE STAFF OF THE SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION
20 IN WHICH THEIR CHILDREN ARE ENROLLED.

21 (9) "PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM" MEANS THE PARENT
22 INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION
23 22-7-305.

24 (10) "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
25 CREATED AND EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE
26 STATE CONSTITUTION.

27 **22-7-303. Colorado state advisory council for parent**

1 **involvement in education - created - membership.** (1) THERE IS
2 HEREBY CREATED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE
3 COLORADO STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN
4 EDUCATION. THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF MEMBERS APPOINTED AS
5 PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION AND SHALL HAVE THE POWERS AND DUTIES
6 SPECIFIED IN THIS PART 3. THE COUNCIL SHALL EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND
7 PERFORM ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT, THE
8 COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS
9 IF THE SAME WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY A **TYPE 2**
10 TRANSFER AS DEFINED IN THE "ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF
11 1968", ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S.

12 (2) THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

13 (a) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE STATE BOARD:

14 (I) FIVE PERSONS WHO ARE PARENTS OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN A
15 PUBLICLY FUNDED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM, IN ANY OF GRADES ONE
16 THROUGH TWELVE, OR IN A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
17 EDUCATION;

18 (II) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE PARENT INFORMATION
19 AND RESOURCE CENTERS IN THE STATE THAT ARE RECOGNIZED BY AND
20 RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT
21 IN THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

22 (III) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE PARENT TRAINING
23 AND INFORMATION CENTERS IN THE STATE THAT ARE RECOGNIZED BY AND
24 RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND
25 REHABILITATIVE SERVICES IN THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

26 (IV) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF TWO NONPROFIT
27 ORGANIZATIONS THAT PARTNER WITH FUNDING PROVIDERS, STATE

1 AGENCIES, AND SERVICE PROVIDERS TO ASSIST ORGANIZATIONS IN
2 PROVIDING SERVICES TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF
3 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN;

4 (V) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF
5 PARENTS AND TEACHERS;

6 (VI) A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS
7 PARENTS AND STUDENTS WHO ADVOCATE IN THE AREAS OF EQUALITY AND
8 JUSTICE IN EDUCATION, RACIAL JUSTICE FOR YOUTH, AND IMMIGRANT
9 RIGHTS;

10 (VII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
11 REPRESENTS SCHOOL EXECUTIVES;

12 (VIII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
13 REPRESENTS MEMBERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION;

14 (IX) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
15 REPRESENTS TEACHERS;

16 (X) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
17 REPRESENTS CHARTER SCHOOLS;

18 (XI) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
19 REPRESENTS CAREER AND COLLEGE GUIDANCE COUNSELORS; AND

20 (XII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
21 REPRESENTS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS; AND

22 (b) ONE OR MORE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 EDUCATION, APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, WITH
24 EXPERTISE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

25 (I) STRATEGIES TO CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP;

26 (II) THE PROGRAM FOR THE EDUCATION OF MIGRANT CHILDREN
27 DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 23 OF THIS TITLE;

1 (III) THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM DESCRIBED
2 IN ARTICLE 24 OF THIS TITLE;

3 (IV) FEDERAL TITLE I PROGRAMS;

4 (V) THE EDUCATION OF EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN, AS DEFINED IN
5 SECTION 22-20-103 (12); AND

6 (VI) THE FAMILY LITERACY EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM
7 CREATED IN SECTION 22-2-124;

8 (c) A REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
9 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH EXPERTISE IN THE
10 SECONDARY-TO-HIGHER-EDUCATION TRANSITION PROGRAMS OPERATED
11 WITHIN THE STATE;

12 (d) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
13 APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SAID DEPARTMENT; AND

14 (e) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
15 AND ENVIRONMENT APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SAID
16 DEPARTMENT.

17 (3) (a) A PERSON MAY NOT BE APPOINTED TO FILL MORE THAN ONE
18 OF THE MEMBER POSITIONS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION
19 IN A SINGLE TERM. EACH APPOINTING AUTHORITY SHALL MAKE ITS INITIAL
20 APPOINTMENTS ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2009. EACH MEMBER OF THE
21 COUNCIL SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE MEMBER'S APPOINTING
22 AUTHORITY. THE APPROPRIATE APPOINTING AUTHORITY SHALL FILL ANY
23 VACANCIES ARISING DURING A MEMBER'S TERM ON THE COUNCIL.

24 (b) THE STATE BOARD, IN APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL,
25 SHALL, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, SELECT PERSONS WHO WILL REFLECT
26 THE GENDER BALANCE AND ETHNIC AND RACIAL DIVERSITY OF THE STATE
27 AND WILL PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FROM THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

1 (4) THE COUNCIL MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH
2 (a) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION SHALL SERVE THREE-YEAR TERMS;
3 EXCEPT THAT, OF THE PERSONS INITIALLY APPOINTED, THE STATE BOARD
4 SHALL SELECT FOUR WHO SHALL SERVE INITIAL TERMS OF ONE YEAR AND
5 FOUR WHO SHALL SERVE INITIAL TERMS OF TWO YEARS.

6 (5) THE STATE BOARD SHALL CALL THE FIRST MEETING OF THE
7 COUNCIL TO BE HELD NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15, 2009. AT ITS FIRST
8 MEETING, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, THE COUNCIL SHALL SELECT FROM
9 AMONG ITS MEMBERS A PERSON TO SERVE AS CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL. THE
10 COUNCIL SHALL MEET UPON CALL OF THE CHAIR AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY
11 TO ACCOMPLISH ITS DUTIES AS SPECIFIED IN THIS PART 3.

12 (6) THE COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL SERVE WITHOUT
13 COMPENSATION AND WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES. UPON
14 REQUEST OF THE COUNCIL CHAIR, THE DEPARTMENT, TO THE EXTENT
15 POSSIBLE WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES, SHALL PROVIDE MEETING SPACE,
16 EQUIPMENT, AND STAFF SERVICES AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE
17 COUNCIL TO CARRY OUT ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS PART 3.

18 **22-7-304. Council - advisory duties.** (1) THE COUNCIL SHALL
19 ADVISE, AT A MINIMUM, THE EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS AND THE EARLY
20 CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COUNCILS CREATED PURSUANT TO
21 ARTICLE 6.5 OF TITLE 26, C.R.S., PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THE
22 STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, THE DEPARTMENT, THE STATE BOARD,
23 THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE COLORADO COMMISSION
24 ON HIGHER EDUCATION, AND THE GOVERNING BOARDS FOR THE STATE
25 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING BEST PRACTICES AND
26 STRATEGIES, ALIGNED WITH THE NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR
27 FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS, FOR INCREASING PARENT INVOLVEMENT

1 IN PUBLIC EDUCATION AND PROMOTING FAMILY AND SCHOOL
2 PARTNERSHIPS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BEST PRACTICES AND
3 STRATEGIES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

4 (a) CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMS TO EFFECTIVELY
5 INVOLVE PARENTS IN IMPROVING THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND
6 LEVELS OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT. TO IDENTIFY THESE BEST PRACTICES
7 AND STRATEGIES, THE COUNCIL SHALL REVIEW THE PROGRAMS
8 IMPLEMENTED IN OTHER STATES AND THE RESULTS OF STATE AND
9 NATIONAL RESEARCH CONDUCTED IN THIS AREA.

10 (b) INVOLVING PARENTS IN PROGRAMS TO RAISE ACADEMIC
11 ACHIEVEMENT, INCREASE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATES, DECREASE
12 STUDENT DROPOUT RATES, AND CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP;

13 (c) INVOLVING PARENTS IN RESPONSE TO INTERVENTION
14 PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS;

15 (d) INVOLVING PARENTS IN PROGRAMS TO RAISE ACADEMIC
16 ACHIEVEMENT, IMPROVE THE PERSISTENCE RATE, AND IMPROVE THE
17 ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN INSTITUTIONS OF
18 HIGHER EDUCATION;

19 (e) INCREASING PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION-RELATED
20 COMMITTEES AT THE LOCAL AND STATE LEVELS;

21 (f) DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS
22 AND CENTERS AND PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS;

23 (g) CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING FAMILY-TO-SCHOOL LIAISON
24 POSITIONS; AND

25 (h) ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL-BASED FAMILY
26 RESOURCE CENTERS.

27 (2) THE COUNCIL SHALL RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD AND

1 TO THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION PLANS FOR
2 STATEWIDE PARENT INVOLVEMENT INITIATIVES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT
3 NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

4 (a) REQUIRING EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE STATE CHARTER
5 SCHOOL INSTITUTE, AS PART OF THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS, TO
6 INCREASE THE LEVEL OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION; AND

7 (b) INITIATIVES TO INCREASE ADMISSIONS TO INSTITUTIONS OF
8 HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE DEGREE-COMPLETION RATE AND TO REDUCE
9 THE NEED FOR REMEDIATION.

10 **22-7-305. Parent involvement in education grant program -**
11 **creation - rules - fund - reports.** (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN
12 THE DEPARTMENT THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION GRANT
13 PROGRAM TO PROVIDE MONEYS TO ASSIST PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN CREATING
14 AND IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT GREATER PARENT
15 INVOLVEMENT IN THE SCHOOLS. THE COUNCIL SHALL ASSIST THE
16 DEPARTMENT IN IMPLEMENTING THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT
17 PROGRAM AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION AND SHALL PROVIDE ADVICE TO
18 RECIPIENT SCHOOLS TO ASSIST THEM IN CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING
19 PROGRAMS TO ENSURE THAT THE PROGRAMS REFLECT THE BEST PRACTICES
20 IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-304.

21 (b) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL, OR A BOARD OF
22 COOPERATIVE SERVICES OR REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL THAT OPERATES
23 A PUBLIC SCHOOL, THAT SEEKS A GRANT THROUGH THE PARENT
24 INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM SHALL APPLY ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC
25 SCHOOL; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS A CHARTER SCHOOL, THE
26 PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY APPLY ON ITS OWN BEHALF. TO BE ELIGIBLE TO
27 RECEIVE A GRANT, A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL MEET ONE OR MORE OF THE

1 FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

2 (I) A SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE, AS DEFINED BY RULE OF THE
3 STATE BOARD, OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR
4 THE THREE ACADEMIC YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPLICATION
5 WERE:

6 (A) ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-COST LUNCH PURSUANT TO
7 THE PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL "NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT", 42
8 U.S.C. SEC. 1751 ET SEQ.; OR

9 (B) STUDENTS WHOSE DOMINANT LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH, AS
10 DEFINED IN SECTION 22-24-103 (4);

11 (II) THE DROPOUT RATE FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR EACH OF THE
12 THREE ACADEMIC YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPLICATION
13 EXCEEDED THE STATE AVERAGE DROPOUT RATE FOR EACH RESPECTIVE
14 YEAR BY A PERCENTAGE ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD;

15 (III) FOR EACH OF THE THREE ACADEMIC YEARS IMMEDIATELY
16 PRECEDING APPLICATION, THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SCORES OF
17 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DEMONSTRATED THAT:

18 (A) A SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENT GAP, AS DEFINED BY RULE OF
19 THE STATE BOARD, EXISTED AMONG IDENTIFIED GROUPS OF STUDENTS; OR

20 (B) THE SCHOOL WAS AN ACADEMICALLY UNDERPERFORMING
21 SCHOOL, AS DEFINED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD.

22 (c) THE PROGRAMS THAT A RECIPIENT SCHOOL MAY FUND WITH
23 GRANT MONEYS RECEIVED THROUGH THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT
24 PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, PROGRAMS TO
25 ESTABLISH:

26 (I) FAMILY-TO-SCHOOL LIAISON POSITIONS;

27 (II) PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES;

1 (III) CENTERS TO PROVIDE PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS; AND
2 (IV) SCHOOL-BASED FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS THROUGH THE
3 FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAM CREATED IN ARTICLE 18 OF TITLE 26,
4 C.R.S.

5 (2) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES PURSUANT TO
6 THE "STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT", ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24,
7 C.R.S., AS NECESSARY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARENT
8 INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

9 (a) RULES AS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF
10 THIS SECTION AND SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION;

11 (b) RULES ESTABLISHING THE TIME FRAMES FOR SUBMISSION AND
12 REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS AND SELECTION OF RECIPIENT SCHOOLS;

13 (c) RULES SPECIFYING THE INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN
14 GRANT APPLICATIONS; AND

15 (d) RULES IDENTIFYING ANY CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF
16 RECIPIENT SCHOOLS IN ADDITION TO THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED IN
17 PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

18 (3) THE COUNCIL SHALL REVIEW THE GRANT APPLICATIONS
19 RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SHALL RECOMMEND RECIPIENT
20 SCHOOLS AND THE GRANT AMOUNTS TO THE STATE BOARD. SUBJECT TO
21 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE BOARD SHALL ANNUALLY AWARD
22 GRANTS THROUGH THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, WHICH
23 GRANTS SHALL BE PAID FROM THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT
24 PROGRAM FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.

25 (4) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY THE
26 PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FUND, REFERRED TO IN THIS
27 SUBSECTION (4) AS THE "FUND", THAT SHALL CONSIST OF SUCH MONEYS AS

1 MAY BE CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS
2 SUBSECTION (4) AND ANY MONEYS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY
3 APPROPRIATE TO THE FUND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY MONEYS
4 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE TO THE FUND FROM THE
5 STATE EDUCATION FUND CREATED IN SECTION 17 (4) OF ARTICLE IX OF
6 THE STATE CONSTITUTION. THE MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT
7 TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE DIRECT
8 AND INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
9 PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. ANY MONEYS IN THE FUND NOT
10 EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION MAY BE INVESTED BY THE
11 STATE TREASURER AS PROVIDED BY LAW. ALL INTEREST AND INCOME
12 DERIVED FROM THE INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT OF MONEYS IN THE FUND
13 SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND. ANY UNEXPENDED AND
14 UNENCUMBERED MONEYS REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF A
15 FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR
16 TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANOTHER FUND; EXCEPT THAT
17 ANY UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEYS REMAINING IN THE FUND
18 AS OF JUNE 30, 2019, SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND.

19 (b) THE COUNCIL SHALL SEEK AND MAY ACCEPT GIFTS, GRANTS,
20 AND DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF
21 THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM; EXCEPT THAT THE COUNCIL
22 SHALL NOT ACCEPT A GIFT, GRANT, OR DONATION IF IT IS SUBJECT TO
23 CONDITIONS THAT ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THIS PART 3 OR ANY OTHER
24 LAW OF THE STATE. THE COUNCIL SHALL TRANSMIT ALL PRIVATE AND
25 PUBLIC MONEYS RECEIVED THROUGH GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS TO
26 THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE SAME TO THE FUND.

27 (5) (a) BEGINNING IN THE BUDGET YEAR FOLLOWING THE FIRST

1 BUDGET YEAR IN WHICH THE STATE BOARD AWARDS GRANTS PURSUANT TO
2 THIS SECTION, EACH RECIPIENT SCHOOL SHALL ANNUALLY SUBMIT TO THE
3 COUNCIL AND THE DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TIMELINES
4 SPECIFIED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD, A REPORT SUMMARIZING THE
5 AMOUNT OF MONEYS RECEIVED IN THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR FROM THE
6 PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, THE MANNER IN WHICH THE
7 MONEYS WERE USED, AND THE RESULTS ACHIEVED THROUGH THE USE OF
8 THE MONEYS. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE SUCH ADDITIONAL
9 INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD.

10 (b) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15 OF THE FIRST YEAR IN WHICH THE
11 COUNCIL RECEIVES REPORTS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
12 SUBSECTION (5), AND ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER,
13 THE COUNCIL SHALL SUMMARIZE THE REPORTS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO
14 PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) AND SUBMIT THE SUMMARY, WITH
15 ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION, TO THE STATE BOARD AND
16 THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
17 THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

18 **22-7-306. Repeal of part.** (1) THIS PART 3 IS REPEALED,
19 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.

20 (2) PRIOR TO SAID REPEAL, THE COUNCIL SHALL BE REVIEWED AS
21 PROVIDED IN SECTION 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

22 **SECTION 2.** 22-7-104 (1), (1.5), and (4), Colorado Revised
23 Statutes, are amended, and the said 22-7-104 is further amended BY THE
24 ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

25 **22-7-104. School district accountability committees.** (1) The
26 board of education of each school district in the state shall adopt a plan
27 for a local accountability program designed to measure the adequacy and

1 efficiency of educational programs offered by the district. ~~Except as~~
2 ~~provided in subsection (4) of this section, the board shall appoint or create~~
3 ~~a process for the election of a~~ THE school district accountability
4 committee ~~that~~ APPOINTED OR ELECTED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1.3)
5 OF THIS SECTION shall make recommendations to the board relative to the
6 program of accountability, but it shall be the responsibility of the board
7 to implement the provisions of this section. The areas of study by the
8 district accountability committee and other appropriate accountability
9 committees shall be cooperatively determined at least annually by the
10 committee and the board of education. ~~The school district accountability~~
11 ~~committee shall consist of at least three parents of students enrolled in a~~
12 ~~public school in the school district who are not employees or related to~~
13 ~~employees of the district, one teacher, one school administrator, and one~~
14 ~~person from the community who is involved in business.~~

15 (1.3) (a) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
16 APPOINT, OR CREATE A PROCESS FOR ELECTION OF, A SCHOOL DISTRICT
17 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY
18 COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

19 (I) AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO IS A TEACHER EMPLOYED BY THE
20 SCHOOL DISTRICT;

21 (II) AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO IS AN ADMINISTRATOR EMPLOYED
22 BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT;

23 (III) AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO IS INVOLVED IN BUSINESS IN THE
24 COMMUNITY WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES; AND

25 (IV) AT LEAST THREE PERSONS WHO ARE PARENTS OF STUDENTS
26 ENROLLED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

27 (b) A PERSON MAY NOT BE APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL MORE

1 THAN ONE OF THE MEMBER POSITIONS REQUIRED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF
2 THIS SUBSECTION (1.3) IN A SINGLE TERM.

3 (c) IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION CHOOSES TO
4 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
5 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, IT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE COMMITTEE
6 INCLUDES AT LEAST THREE TIMES AS MANY PARENTS APPOINTED OR
7 ELECTED PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
8 SUBSECTION (1.3) AS THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GROUP
9 WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST REPRESENTATION.

10 (d) IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS THE
11 MEMBERS OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, THE
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE,
13 SHALL ENSURE THAT THE PARENTS WHO ARE APPOINTED REFLECT THE
14 STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN
15 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IF THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
16 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE ARE ELECTED, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
17 OF EDUCATION SHALL ENCOURAGE PARENTS WHO REFLECT THE STUDENT
18 POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN THE
19 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SEEK ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE. SAID STUDENT
20 POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

- 21 (I) STUDENTS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF NON-CAUCASIAN RACES;
- 22 (II) STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-COST
23 LUNCH THROUGH THE FEDERAL "NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT", 42
24 U.S.C. SEC. 1751 ET SEQ.;
- 25 (III) STUDENTS WHOSE DOMINANT LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH, AS
26 DEFINED IN SECTION 22-24-103 (4);
- 27 (IV) STUDENTS WHO ARE MIGRANT CHILDREN, AS DEFINED IN

1 SECTION 22-23-103 (2);

2 (V) STUDENTS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS CHILDREN WITH
3 DISABILITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-20-108; AND

4 (VI) STUDENTS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS GIFTED AS DEFINED IN
5 SECTION 22-20-103 (13).

6 (1.5) ~~As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires,~~
7 ~~"related" or "relative" means a person's spouse, son, daughter, sister, or~~
8 ~~brother.~~

9 (4) ~~Any~~ NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS (1)
10 AND (1.3) OF THIS SECTION, A school district that demonstrates that, prior
11 to January 1, 2000, the school district had in place a committee or council
12 that performed at least the duties specified for a school district
13 accountability committee in this section and section 22-7-105 is not
14 required to appoint or elect a school district accountability committee
15 pursuant to subsection (1) OR (1.3) of this section.

16 **SECTION 3.** 22-7-106, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
17 to read:

18 **22-7-106. School accountability committees - creation -**
19 **qualifications - elections.** (1) (a) Except as provided in subsection (4)
20 of this section, there shall be a school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
21 COMMITTEE at each public school in each school district, INCLUDING BUT
22 NOT LIMITED TO EACH DISTRICT CHARTER SCHOOL, and at each institute
23 charter school created pursuant to part 5 of article 30.5 of this title. A
24 school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE shall consist of AT
25 LEAST seven members designated, appointed, or elected as follows:

26 (I) The principal of the school or the principal's designee;

27 (II) AT LEAST one teacher who provides instruction at the school

1 elected by a vote of all licensed professionals who provide instruction at
2 the school or have an office in the school;

3 (III) AT LEAST three parents or legal guardians of students
4 enrolled in the school who are elected by a vote of the parents and legal
5 guardians of students enrolled in the school.

6 (IV) AT LEAST one adult member WHO IS designated by an
7 organization of parents, teachers, and students recognized by the school;
8 and

9 (V) ~~A~~ AT LEAST ONE person from the community ~~who is involved~~
10 ~~in business~~ and who is appointed by the principal.

11 (a.3) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
12 DETERMINE THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL
13 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE. IF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CHOOSES TO
14 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
15 COMMITTEE, IT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE COMMITTEE INCLUDES AT LEAST
16 THREE TIMES AS MANY PARENTS ELECTED PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH
17 (III) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) AS THE NUMBER OF
18 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GROUP WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST
19 REPRESENTATION.

20 (a.5) A PERSON MAY NOT BE APPOINTED, DESIGNATED, OR ELECTED
21 TO FILL MORE THAN ONE OF THE MEMBER POSITIONS REQUIRED IN
22 PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) IN A SINGLE TERM.

23 (a.7) A PRINCIPAL, IN APPOINTING PERSONS, AND AN
24 ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS IN DESIGNATING
25 PERSONS, TO SERVE ON A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE SHALL, TO
26 THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, SELECT PERSONS WHO REFLECT THE STUDENT
27 POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN THE

1 SCHOOL. WITH REGARD TO THE ELECTED MEMBERS OF A SCHOOL
2 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL SHALL ENCOURAGE
3 PERSONS WHO REFLECT THE STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE
4 SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN THE SCHOOL TO SEEK ELECTION TO
5 THE COMMITTEE. SAID STUDENT POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED
6 NOT BE LIMITED TO:

- 7 (I) STUDENTS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF NON-CAUCASIAN RACES;
- 8 (II) STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED-COST
9 LUNCH THROUGH THE FEDERAL "NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT", 42
10 U.S.C. SEC. 1751 ET SEQ.;
- 11 (III) STUDENTS WHOSE DOMINANT LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH, AS
12 DEFINED IN SECTION 22-24-103 (4);
- 13 (IV) STUDENTS WHO ARE MIGRANT CHILDREN, AS DEFINED IN
14 SECTION 22-23-103 (2);
- 15 (V) STUDENTS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS CHILDREN WITH
16 DISABILITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-20-108; AND
- 17 (VI) STUDENTS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS GIFTED AS DEFINED IN
18 SECTION 22-20-103 (13).

19 ~~(b) No more than three members of a school advisory council~~
20 ~~shall be employed by or relatives of an employee of the school district.~~
21 ~~If an election would result in more than three school district employees~~
22 ~~or persons related to school district employees serving on the council,~~
23 ~~only the number of candidates who receive the highest number of votes~~
24 ~~that will result in three school district employees or persons related to~~
25 ~~school district employees serving on the council shall become members~~
26 ~~of the council and other employees or persons related to employees shall~~
27 ~~be disqualified.~~

1 (b.5) ~~In the case of an institute charter school, no more than three~~
2 ~~members of a school advisory council shall be employed by or relatives~~
3 ~~of an employee of the institute charter school. If an election would result~~
4 ~~in more than three school employees or persons related to school~~
5 ~~employees serving on the council, only the number of candidates who~~
6 ~~receive the highest number of votes that will result in three school~~
7 ~~employees or persons related to school employees serving on the council~~
8 ~~shall become members of the council and other employees or persons~~
9 ~~related to employees shall be disqualified.~~

10 (c) Any appointment or designation required by paragraph (a) of
11 this subsection (1) shall be made by September 1, 2001, and by
12 September 1 of every odd-numbered year thereafter. Any election
13 required by paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) shall be conducted on or
14 before October 31, 2001, October 31, 2003, and on or before October 31
15 of every year thereafter.

16 (2) Members of ~~the council~~ A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
17 COMMITTEE shall serve terms of two years; except that, of the members
18 first elected, ~~the~~ A member elected pursuant to subparagraph (II) of
19 paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section and the two members with
20 the highest number of votes cast in the election conducted pursuant to
21 subparagraph (III) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section shall
22 serve terms of three years.

23 (3) Any vacancies that may arise on ~~the council~~ A SCHOOL
24 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE by reason of a member's resignation or
25 disqualification or for any other reason shall be filled by majority action
26 of the remaining members of the ~~council~~ COMMITTEE. Except for the
27 principal, ~~no~~ A member of the ~~council~~ COMMITTEE shall NOT serve more

1 than two consecutive, full terms, plus any balance remaining on an
2 unexpired term if the initial appointment was to fill a vacancy.

3 (3.5) THE MEMBERS OF EACH SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
4 COMMITTEE SHALL ANNUALLY SELECT FROM AMONG THE PARENT
5 REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED TO THE COMMITTEE A MEMBER TO SERVE AS
6 CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM. A COMMITTEE SHALL
7 NOT SELECT THE SAME PERSON TO SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE
8 TERMS AS CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE.

9 (4) The school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
10 required by this section shall not be required in any school or school
11 district that demonstrates that prior to January 1, 2000, the school or
12 school district had in place a committee or council that performed at least
13 the duties specified for school ~~advisory councils~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
14 COMMITTEES in this section and section 22-7-107; EXCEPT THAT EACH
15 CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A SCHOOL
16 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION AND THE
17 CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD SHALL NOT QUALIFY AS A
18 REPLACEMENT FOR THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE.

19 (5) ~~As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires,~~
20 ~~"related" or "relative" means a person's spouse, son, daughter, sister, or~~
21 ~~brother.~~

22 **SECTION 4.** The introductory portion to 22-5.5-105 (2) (a) and
23 22-5.5-105 (2) (a) (IV), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

24 **22-5.5-105. Regional service areas - establishment - plan -**
25 **governance.** (2) (a) Each plan for a regional service area shall be
26 administered by a locally appointed regional service council, representing
27 the following entities within the regional service area and composed of

1 a minimum of five members; EXCEPT THAT A REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL
2 INITIALLY FORMED OR REORGANIZED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
3 OF SENATE BILL 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009, SHALL BE COMPOSED OF A
4 MINIMUM OF SIX MEMBERS as follows:

5 (IV) The regional service council, within ninety days after its
6 initial formation and each time the regional service council reorganizes
7 thereafter, shall appoint one council member representing business and
8 industry, ~~and~~ one council member representing each existing early
9 childhood council from within the regional service area, AND, FOR A
10 REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL INITIALLY FORMED OR REORGANIZED ON OR
11 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009,
12 ONE COUNCIL MEMBER WHO IS A PARENT OF A STUDENT ENROLLED IN A
13 PUBLIC PRESCHOOL, ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, OR POSTSECONDARY
14 INSTITUTION LOCATED WITHIN THE REGIONAL SERVICE AREA.

15 **SECTION 5.** 22-13-103 (1) (k), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read:

17 **22-13-103. School leadership academy board - created - duties**
18 **- reports - repeal.** (1) There is hereby created in the department the
19 school leadership academy board, which shall consist of fourteen
20 members appointed by the commissioner as follows:

21 (k) Four members who shall be appointed at the discretion of the
22 commissioner. FOR APPOINTMENTS MADE AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, AT
23 LEAST ONE OF THE MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH
24 (k) SHALL BE A PARENT OF A STUDENT ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF
25 THE STATE.

26 **SECTION 6.** 22-30.5-104 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
27 amended to read:

1 **22-30.5-104. Charter school - requirements - authority.** (4) A
2 charter school shall be administered and governed by a governing body
3 in a manner agreed to by the charter school applicant and the chartering
4 local board of education. ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE
5 BILL 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009, AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF EACH CHARTER
6 SCHOOL'S GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE A PARENT OF A STUDENT WHO IS
7 ENROLLED IN THE CHARTER SCHOOL. A charter school may organize as a
8 nonprofit corporation pursuant to the "Colorado Nonprofit Corporation
9 Act", articles 121 to 137 of title 7, C.R.S., which shall not affect its status
10 as a public school for any purposes under Colorado law. Notwithstanding
11 organization as a nonprofit corporation, a charter school shall annually
12 complete a governmental audit that complies with the requirements of the
13 department of education.

14 **SECTION 7.** 22-30.5-505 (2) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
15 amended to read:

16 **22-30.5-505. State charter school institute - institute board -**
17 **appointment - powers and duties - rules.** (2) (a) The institute board
18 shall consist of nine members, no more than five of whom are members
19 of the same political party. Seven of the members shall be appointed by
20 the governor, with the consent of the senate, and two of the members
21 shall be appointed by the commissioner. In making the appointments, the
22 governor and the commissioner shall ensure the institute board reflects
23 the geographic diversity of the state. IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS ON AND
24 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009,
25 THE GOVERNOR AND THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ENSURE THAT AT LEAST
26 ONE MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE BOARD IS A PARENT OF A STUDENT WHO
27 IS, OR WHO HAS BEEN, ENROLLED IN AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL.

1 Members appointed to the institute board shall have experience in at least
2 one of the following areas:

3 (I) Experience as a charter school board member or founder of a
4 charter school;

5 (II) Experience as a public school administrator with experience
6 working with charter schools;

7 (III) Financial management expertise;

8 (IV) Detailed knowledge of charter school law;

9 (V) Other board or public service experience;

10 (VI) Experience as a public school teacher;

11 (VII) On-line education and on-line curriculum development
12 expertise;

13 (VIII) School district special education expertise; and

14 (IX) Curriculum and assessment expertise.

15 **SECTION 8.** 22-30.5-507 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read:

17 **22-30.5-507. Institute charter school - requirements -**
18 **authority.** (4) An institute charter school shall be administered and
19 governed by a governing body in a manner agreed to and set forth in the
20 charter contract. ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL
21 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009, AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF EACH INSTITUTE
22 CHARTER SCHOOL'S GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE A PARENT OF A STUDENT
23 WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL. An institute
24 charter school may organize as a nonprofit corporation pursuant to the
25 "Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act", articles 121 to 137 of
26 title 7, C.R.S., which shall not affect its status as a public school for any
27 purposes under Colorado law.

1 **SECTION 9.** 22-80-103 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read:

3 **22-80-103. Board of trustees - appointments - powers - duties**
4 **- fund created.** (1) (a) There is hereby created by a **type 1** transfer in the
5 department of education a board of trustees for the Colorado school for
6 the deaf and the blind. The board of trustees shall consist of seven
7 members who are residents of Colorado, appointed by the governor with
8 the consent of the senate. Of these seven members, at least one appointee
9 shall be a blind person and at least one appointee shall be a deaf person.
10 BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST APPOINTMENT MADE ON OR AFTER THE
11 EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-____, ENACTED IN 2009, THE
12 GOVERNOR SHALL ENSURE THAT, OF THE SEVEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
13 OF TRUSTEES, AT LEAST ONE APPOINTEE IS THE PARENT OF A CHILD WHO
14 IS DEAF OR BLIND OR BOTH.

15 **SECTION 10.** 23-1-103 (1) (b) and (1) (c), Colorado Revised
16 Statutes, are amended to read:

17 **23-1-103. Advisory committee to the Colorado commission on**
18 **higher education.** (1) There is hereby established an advisory
19 committee to the commission for the purpose of suggesting solutions for
20 the problems and needs of higher education and maintaining liaison with
21 the general assembly and the governing boards for state-supported
22 institutions of higher education. The advisory committee shall consist of
23 not less than thirteen members, to be designated as follows:

24 (b) One member shall be selected and designated by the
25 commission to represent the faculty in the state and one member shall be
26 selected and designated by the commission to represent the students in the
27 state. ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-____,

1 ENACTED IN 2009, THE COMMISSION SHALL SELECT AND DESIGNATE ONE
2 MEMBER WHO, AT THE TIME OF DESIGNATION, IS A PARENT OF A STUDENT
3 WHO IS ENROLLED IN A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
4 EDUCATION IN COLORADO TO REPRESENT THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS.

5 (c) Not more than ~~five~~ FOUR additional members representing
6 educational or other groups may be selected and designated by the
7 commission to serve on the advisory committee.

8 **SECTION 11.** 22-7-107 (1) and the introductory portion to
9 22-7-107 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

10 **22-7-107. School accountability committee recommendations**

11 **- meetings.** (1) In addition to any other duties and powers provided for
12 by law, the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE of each
13 public school shall make recommendations to the principal of the school
14 regarding the prioritization of expenditures of school moneys. The
15 principal shall consider such recommendations made by the school
16 ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE regarding the expenditure
17 of any state, federal, local, or private grants and any other discretionary
18 ~~funds~~ MONEYS.

19 (2) Each school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
20 shall meet at least quarterly to discuss:

21 **SECTION 12.** 22-7-205 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
22 amended to read:

23 **22-7-205. Local goals and objectives and plans to improve**

24 **educational achievement and graduation rates.** (1) No later than June
25 15, 1989, and then no later than September 1, 1990, and September 1 of
26 each year thereafter, the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
27 COMMITTEE for each school building in the state shall adopt high, but

1 achievable, goals and objectives for the improvement of education in its
2 building and shall adopt a plan to improve educational achievement in the
3 school, to implement methods of maximizing graduation rates from the
4 secondary schools of the district, and to increase the ratings for the
5 school's accreditation category established pursuant to section 22-11-202.
6 Each building's goals and objectives and plan shall be reviewed by the
7 district accountability committee before its submission to the board of
8 education of the district. Procedures for the implementation of the plan
9 shall be included in the budget submitted to the board of education
10 pursuant to section 22-44-108.

11 **SECTION 13.** 22-7-207, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
12 to read:

13 **22-7-207. School accountability committees -**
14 **recommendations - prioritization of school expenditures.** In addition
15 to any other duties and powers provided for by law, the school ~~advisory~~
16 ~~council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for each school building in the state
17 shall make recommendations to the chief executive officer of the school
18 relative to the prioritization of expenditures of school district moneys by
19 such school. In addition, a copy of such recommendations shall be sent
20 to the accountability committee of the school district and to the board of
21 education of such school district. The chief executive officer shall
22 consider such recommendations made by the school ~~advisory council~~
23 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE in formulating budget requests to be
24 presented to the board of education.

25 **SECTION 14.** 22-11-303 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
26 amended to read:

27 **22-11-303. Colorado school awards program - distribution of**

1 **award.** (1) Any award presented by the state board pursuant to this part
2 3 shall be spent or distributed for use within the public school as the
3 principal of the public school, after consultation with the school advisory
4 ~~council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for the public school, deems
5 appropriate.

6 **SECTION 15.** 22-30.5-104 (6) (a) and (6) (b), Colorado Revised
7 Statutes, are amended to read:

8 **22-30.5-104. Charter school - requirements - authority.**

9 (6) (a) Pursuant to contract, a charter school may operate free from
10 specified school district policies and free from state rules, as provided in
11 paragraph (b) of this subsection (6). Pursuant to contract, a local board
12 of education may waive locally imposed school district requirements,
13 without seeking approval of the state board; except that a charter school
14 shall not, by contract or otherwise, operate free of the requirements
15 contained in the "Public School Finance Act of 1994", article 54 of this
16 title, THE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN PART 1 OF ARTICLE 7 OF THIS TITLE
17 CONCERNING SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEES, or the requirements
18 contained in the "Children's Internet Protection Act", article 87 of this
19 title.

20 (b) The state board shall promulgate rules identifying state statutes
21 and state rules that are automatically waived for all charter schools. A
22 school district, on behalf of a charter school, may apply to the state board
23 for a waiver of a state statute or state rule that is not automatically waived
24 for charter schools by rule. Notwithstanding any provision of this
25 subsection (6) to the contrary, the state board may not waive ANY
26 STATUTE OR STATE RULE RELATING TO SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
27 COMMITTEES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-106, any statute or rule

1 relating to the assessments required to be administered pursuant to section
2 22-7-409, any statute or rule necessary to prepare the school
3 accountability reports pursuant to part 6 of article 7 of this title, any
4 statute or rule necessary to implement the provisions of the "Public
5 School Finance Act of 1994", article 54 of this title, or any statute or rule
6 relating to the "Children's Internet Protection Act", article 87 of this title.

7 **SECTION 16.** 22-30.5-110 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
8 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

9 **22-30.5-110. Charter schools - term - renewal of charter -**
10 **grounds for nonrenewal or revocation.** (3) A charter may be revoked
11 or not renewed by the chartering local board of education if it determines
12 that the charter school did any of the following:

13 (b.5) FAILED TO APPOINT, ELECT, AND DESIGNATE A SCHOOL
14 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 22-7-106;

15 **SECTION 17.** 22-30.5-304 (1) (d) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes,
16 is amended to read:

17 **22-30.5-304. Review committee - membership -**
18 **recommendations.** (1) Whenever an independent charter school is to be
19 organized pursuant to this part 3, on or before the date specified by rule
20 adopted by the state board in accordance with section 22-30.5-303 (2) (b),
21 the commissioner shall cause a review committee to be formed. The
22 review committee shall consist of:

23 (d) (I) Two parents of students enrolled in the school who are
24 members of the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
25 and are elected by a vote of the members of the school ~~advisory council~~
26 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE.

27 **SECTION 18.** 22-30.5-507 (7), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

1 amended to read:

2 **22-30.5-507. Institute charter school - requirements -**
3 **authority.** (7) Pursuant to the charter contract, an institute charter
4 school may operate free from specified statutes and state board rules. The
5 state board may waive state statutory requirements or rules promulgated
6 by the state board; except that the state board may not waive ANY
7 STATUTE OR RULE RELATING TO SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEES
8 AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-106, any state statute or rule relating to the
9 assessments required to be administered pursuant to section 22-7-409, any
10 state statute or rule necessary to prepare the school accountability reports
11 pursuant to part 6 of article 7 of this title, or any statute or rule necessary
12 to implement the provisions of the "Public School Finance Act of 1994",
13 article 54 of this title, or any state statute or rule relating to the "Children's
14 Internet Protection Act", article 87 of this title. Any waiver of state
15 statute or state board rule made pursuant to this subsection (7) shall be for
16 the term of the contract for which the waiver is made. A request for a
17 waiver may be submitted to the institute as a part of the application for an
18 institute charter school.

19 **SECTION 19.** 22-30.5-511 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
20 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

21 **22-30.5-511. Institute charter schools - term - renewal of**
22 **contract - grounds for nonrenewal or revocation - appeal.** (3) The
23 institute board may revoke or deny renewal of a charter contract if the
24 institute board determines that the institute charter school did any of the
25 following:

26 (b.5) FAILED TO APPOINT, ELECT, AND DESIGNATE A SCHOOL
27 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 22-7-106;

1 **SECTION 20.** 22-32.5-104 (3) (f) and (4) (c), Colorado Revised
2 Statutes, are amended to read:

3 **22-32.5-104. Innovation plans - submission - contents.**

4 (3) Each innovation plan, whether submitted by a public school or
5 created by a local school board through collaboration between the local
6 school board and a public school, shall include the following information:

7 (f) Evidence that a majority of the administrators employed at the
8 public school, a majority of the teachers employed at the public school,
9 and a majority of the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
10 COMMITTEE for the public school consent to designation as an innovation
11 school;

12 (4) Each plan for creating an innovation school zone, whether
13 submitted by a group of public schools or created by a local school board
14 through collaboration with a group of public schools, shall include the
15 information specified in subsection (3) of this section for each public
16 school that would be included in the innovation school zone. A plan for
17 creating an innovation school zone shall also include the following
18 additional information:

19 (c) Evidence that a majority of the administrators and a majority
20 of the teachers employed at each public school that would be included in
21 the innovation school zone and a majority of the school ~~advisory council~~
22 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for each public school that would be
23 included in the innovation school zone consent to creating the innovation
24 school zone; and

25 **SECTION 21.** 22-32.5-110 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
26 amended to read:

27 **22-32.5-110. District of innovation - review of innovation**

1 **schools and innovation school zones.** (1) Three years after the local
2 school board of a district of innovation approves an innovation plan or a
3 plan for creating an innovation school zone, and every three years
4 thereafter, the local school board shall review the level of performance of
5 the innovation school and each public school included in the innovation
6 school zone and determine whether the innovation school or innovation
7 school zone is achieving or making adequate progress toward achieving
8 the academic performance results identified in the school's or zone's
9 innovation plan. The local school board, in collaboration with the
10 innovation school or the innovation school zone, may revise the
11 innovation plan, including but not limited to revising the identification of
12 the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement that need to be
13 waived to implement the innovations, as necessary to improve or continue
14 to improve academic performance at the innovation school or innovation
15 school zone. Any revisions to the innovation plan shall require the
16 consent of a majority of the teachers and a majority of the administrators
17 employed at and a majority of the school ~~advisory council~~
18 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for each affected public school.

19 **SECTION 22.** 22-2-103 (1) (g) and (1) (h), Colorado Revised
20 Statutes, are amended, and the said 22-2-103 (1) is further amended BY
21 THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

22 **22-2-103. Department of education.** (1) The department of
23 education shall include the following:

24 (g) The facility schools unit ~~and~~ CREATED IN SECTION 22-2-403;

25 (h) The facility schools board CREATED IN SECTION 22-2-404; AND

26 (i) THE COLORADO STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR PARENT
27 INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION CREATED IN SECTION 22-7-303.

1 **SECTION 23.** 24-1-115, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
2 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

3 **24-1-115. Department of education - creation.** (14) THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL INCLUDE THE COLORADO STATE
5 ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION CREATED
6 IN SECTION 22-7-303, C.R.S., AND ITS POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS,
7 AS IF THE COUNCIL WERE TRANSFERRED BY A **TYPE 2** TRANSFER TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

9 **SECTION 24.** 2-3-1203 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
10 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

11 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The
12 following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the
13 designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

14 (ff) JULY 1, 2019: THE COLORADO STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR
15 PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION CREATED IN SECTION 22-7-303,
16 C.R.S.

17 **SECTION 25. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
18 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
19 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is
20 allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V,
21 section 1 (3) of the state constitution, (August 4, 2009, if adjournment
22 sine die is on May 6, 2009); except that, if a referendum petition is filed
23 against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period,
24 then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take
25 effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by
26 proclamation of the governor.