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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

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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.

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

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

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

24 (c) FAMILIES AND SCHOOL STAFF CONTINUOUSLY COLLABORATE
25 TO SUPPORT STUDENTS' LEARNING AND HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT BOTH AT
26 HOME AND AT SCHOOL AND HAVE REGULAR OPPORTUNITIES TO
27 STRENGTHEN THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO PROVIDE SAID SUPPORT

1 EFFECTIVELY;

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 (9) "SCHOOL-BASED PARENT INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTER"
24 MEANS A CENTER THAT PROVIDES TO PARENTS INFORMATION ON
25 EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEIR CHILDREN, TRAINING FOR PARENTS
26 AND FAMILIES ON EDUCATION ISSUES, AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES THAT
27 MAY BE AVAILABLE TO PARENTS, SUCH AS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES,

1 SOCIAL SERVICES, AND HOUSING REFERRALS.

2 (10) "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
3 CREATED AND EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE
4 STATE CONSTITUTION.

5 **22-7-303. Colorado state advisory council for parent**
6 **involvement in education - created - membership.** (1) THERE IS
7 HEREBY CREATED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE
8 COLORADO STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN
9 EDUCATION. THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF MEMBERS APPOINTED AS
10 PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION AND SHALL HAVE THE POWERS AND DUTIES
11 SPECIFIED IN THIS PART 3. THE COUNCIL SHALL EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND
12 PERFORM ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT, THE
13 COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS
14 IF THE SAME WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY A **TYPE 2**
15 TRANSFER AS DEFINED IN THE "ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF
16 1968", ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S.

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

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

19 (I) FIVE PERSONS WHO ARE PARENTS OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN A
20 PUBLICLY FUNDED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM, IN ANY OF GRADES ONE
21 THROUGH TWELVE, OR IN A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
22 EDUCATION;

23 (II) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE PARENT INFORMATION
24 AND RESOURCE CENTERS IN THE STATE THAT ARE RECOGNIZED BY AND
25 RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT
26 IN THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

27 (III) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE PARENT TRAINING

1 AND INFORMATION CENTERS IN THE STATE THAT ARE RECOGNIZED BY AND
2 RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND
3 REHABILITATIVE SERVICES IN THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

4 (IV) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF TWO NONPROFIT
5 ORGANIZATIONS THAT PARTNER WITH FUNDING PROVIDERS, STATE
6 AGENCIES, AND SERVICE PROVIDERS TO ASSIST ORGANIZATIONS IN
7 PROVIDING SERVICES TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF
8 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN;

9 (V) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF
10 PARENTS AND TEACHERS;

11 (VI) A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS
12 PARENTS AND STUDENTS WHO ADVOCATE IN THE AREAS OF EQUALITY AND
13 JUSTICE IN EDUCATION, RACIAL JUSTICE FOR YOUTH, AND IMMIGRANT
14 RIGHTS;

15 (VII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
16 REPRESENTS SCHOOL EXECUTIVES;

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

19 (IX) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
20 REPRESENTS TEACHERS;

21 (X) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
22 REPRESENTS CHARTER SCHOOLS;

23 (XI) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT
24 REPRESENTS CAREER AND COLLEGE GUIDANCE COUNSELORS; ==

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

27 (XIII) A PERSON WITH EXPERTISE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND

1 EDUCATION; AND

2 (b) ONE OR MORE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
3 EDUCATION, APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, WITH
4 EXPERTISE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

5 (I) STRATEGIES TO CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP;

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

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

10 (IV) FEDERAL TITLE I PROGRAMS;

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

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

15 (c) A REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
16 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH EXPERTISE IN THE
17 SECONDARY-TO-HIGHER-EDUCATION TRANSITION PROGRAMS OPERATED
18 WITHIN THE STATE; AND

19 (d) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
20 APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SAID DEPARTMENT.

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

1 VACANCIES ARISING DURING A MEMBER'S TERM ON THE COUNCIL.

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

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

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

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

23 **22-7-304. Council - advisory duties.** (1) THE COUNCIL SHALL
24 INFORM, AT A MINIMUM, THE EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS AND THE
25 EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COUNCILS CREATED PURSUANT
26 TO ARTICLE 6.5 OF TITLE 26, C.R.S., PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
27 THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, THE DEPARTMENT, THE STATE

1 BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE COLORADO
2 COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, AND THE GOVERNING BOARDS FOR
3 THE STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING BEST
4 PRACTICES AND STRATEGIES, ALIGNED WITH THE NATIONAL STANDARDS
5 FOR FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS, FOR INCREASING PARENT
6 INVOLVEMENT IN PUBLIC EDUCATION AND PROMOTING FAMILY AND
7 SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BEST PRACTICES
8 AND STRATEGIES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

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

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

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

20 (d) INVOLVING PARENTS IN PROGRAMS TO RAISE ACADEMIC
21 ACHIEVEMENT, IMPROVE THE PERSISTENCE RATE, AND IMPROVE THE
22 ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN INSTITUTIONS OF
23 HIGHER EDUCATION;

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

26 (f) DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS
27 AND CENTERS AND PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS;

1 (g) CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING FAMILY-TO-SCHOOL LIAISON
2 POSITIONS; AND

3 (h) ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL-BASED PARENT
4 INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTERS.

5 (2) THE COUNCIL SHALL RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD AND
6 TO THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION PLANS FOR
7 STATEWIDE PARENT INVOLVEMENT INITIATIVES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT
8 NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

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

12 (b) INITIATIVES TO INCREASE ADMISSIONS TO INSTITUTIONS OF
13 HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE DEGREE-COMPLETION RATE AND TO REDUCE
14 THE NEED FOR REMEDIATION.

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

26 (b) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL, OR A BOARD OF
27 COOPERATIVE SERVICES OR REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL THAT OPERATES

1 A PUBLIC SCHOOL, THAT SEEKS A GRANT THROUGH THE PARENT
2 INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM SHALL APPLY ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC
3 SCHOOL; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS A CHARTER SCHOOL, THE
4 PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY APPLY ON ITS OWN BEHALF. TO BE ELIGIBLE TO
5 RECEIVE A GRANT, A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL MEET ONE OR MORE OF THE
6 FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

7 (I) A SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE, AS DEFINED BY RULE OF THE
8 STATE BOARD, OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR
9 THE THREE ACADEMIC YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPLICATION
10 WERE:

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

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

16 (II) THE DROPOUT RATE FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR EACH OF THE
17 THREE ACADEMIC YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPLICATION
18 EXCEEDED THE STATE AVERAGE DROPOUT RATE FOR EACH RESPECTIVE
19 YEAR BY A PERCENTAGE ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD;

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

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

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

27 (c) THE PROGRAMS THAT A RECIPIENT SCHOOL MAY FUND WITH

1 GRANT MONEYS RECEIVED THROUGH THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT
2 PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, PROGRAMS TO
3 ESTABLISH:

- 4 (I) FAMILY-TO-SCHOOL LIAISON POSITIONS;
- 5 (II) PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES;
- 6 (III) CENTERS TO PROVIDE PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS; AND
- 7 (IV) SCHOOL-BASED PARENT INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTERS.

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

- 12 (a) RULES AS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF
13 THIS SECTION AND SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS SECTION;
- 14 (b) RULES ESTABLISHING THE TIME FRAMES FOR SUBMISSION AND
15 REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS AND SELECTION OF RECIPIENT SCHOOLS;
- 16 (c) RULES SPECIFYING THE INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN
17 GRANT APPLICATIONS; AND
- 18 (d) RULES IDENTIFYING ANY CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF
19 RECIPIENT SCHOOLS IN ADDITION TO THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED IN
20 PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

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

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

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

1 PUBLIC MONEYS RECEIVED THROUGH GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS TO
2 THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE SAME TO THE FUND.

3 (c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE
4 CONTRARY, THE STATE BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT
5 IMPLEMENT THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM UNTIL SUCH
6 TIME AS THERE IS AT LEAST TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS CREDITED OR
7 APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND.

8 (d) IN ANY FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THERE IS AT LEAST TWENTY
9 THOUSAND DOLLARS CREDITED OR APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND, THE
10 DEPARTMENT MAY USE UP TO ONE PERCENT OF THE MONEYS CREDITED OR
11 APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND TO OFFSET THE COSTS INCURRED IN
12 IMPLEMENTING THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, AND THE
13 DEPARTMENT MAY USE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT OF THE
14 MONEYS CREDITED OR APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND TO OFFSET THE COSTS
15 OF PROVIDING MEETING SPACE, EQUIPMENT, AND STAFF SERVICES TO THE
16 COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-303 (6).

17 (5) (a) BEGINNING IN THE BUDGET YEAR FOLLOWING THE FIRST
18 BUDGET YEAR IN WHICH THE STATE BOARD AWARDS GRANTS PURSUANT TO
19 THIS SECTION, EACH RECIPIENT SCHOOL SHALL ANNUALLY SUBMIT TO THE
20 COUNCIL AND THE DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TIMELINES
21 SPECIFIED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD, A REPORT SUMMARIZING THE
22 AMOUNT OF MONEYS RECEIVED IN THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR FROM THE
23 PARENT INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, THE MANNER IN WHICH THE
24 MONEYS WERE USED, AND THE RESULTS ACHIEVED THROUGH THE USE OF
25 THE MONEYS. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE SUCH ADDITIONAL
26 INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY RULE OF THE STATE BOARD.

27 (b) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15 OF THE FIRST YEAR IN WHICH THE

1 COUNCIL RECEIVES REPORTS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
2 SUBSECTION (5), AND ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER,
3 THE COUNCIL SHALL SUMMARIZE THE REPORTS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO
4 PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) AND SUBMIT THE SUMMARY, WITH
5 ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION, TO THE STATE BOARD AND
6 THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
7 THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

8 **22-7-306. Repeal of part.** (1) THIS PART 3 IS REPEALED,
9 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.

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

12 **SECTION 2.** 22-7-104 (1), (1.5), and (4), Colorado Revised
13 Statutes, are amended, and the said 22-7-104 is further amended BY THE
14 ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW SUBSECTIONS, to read:

15 **22-7-104. School district accountability committees.** (1) The
16 board of education of each school district in the state shall adopt a plan
17 for a local accountability program designed to measure the adequacy and
18 efficiency of educational programs offered by the district. ~~Except as~~
19 ~~provided in subsection (4) of this section, the board shall appoint or create~~
20 ~~a process for the election of a~~ THE school district accountability
21 committee ~~that~~ APPOINTED OR ELECTED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1.3)
22 OF THIS SECTION shall make recommendations to the board relative to the
23 program of accountability, but it shall be the responsibility of the board
24 to implement the provisions of this section. The areas of study by the
25 district accountability committee and other appropriate accountability
26 committees shall be cooperatively determined at least annually by the
27 committee and the board of education. ~~The school district accountability~~

1 ~~committee shall consist of at least three parents of students enrolled in a~~
2 ~~public school in the school district who are not employees or related to~~
3 ~~employees of the district, one teacher, one school administrator, and one~~
4 ~~person from the community who is involved in business.~~

5 (1.3) (a) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
6 APPOINT, OR CREATE A PROCESS FOR ELECTION OF, A SCHOOL DISTRICT
7 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY
8 COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

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

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

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

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

17 (b) A PERSON MAY NOT BE APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL MORE
18 THAN ONE OF THE MEMBER POSITIONS REQUIRED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF
19 THIS SUBSECTION (1.3) IN A SINGLE TERM.

20 (c) IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION CHOOSES TO
21 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
22 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, IT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE NUMBER OF
23 PARENTS APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO THE COMMITTEE ___ PURSUANT TO
24 SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1.3)
25 EXCEEDS THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GROUP WITH THE
26 NEXT HIGHEST REPRESENTATION.

27 (d) IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS THE

1 MEMBERS OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, THE
2 SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE,
3 SHALL ENSURE THAT THE PARENTS WHO ARE APPOINTED REFLECT THE
4 STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN
5 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. SAID STUDENT POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT
6 NEED 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 (1.5) ~~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 (4) Any school district that demonstrates that, prior to January 1,
23 2000, the school district had in place a committee or council that
24 performed at least the duties specified for a school district accountability
25 committee in this section and section 22-7-105 is not required to appoint
26 or elect a school district accountability committee pursuant to subsection
27 (1) of this section. IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS

1 THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE,
2 THE BOARD, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, SHALL ENSURE THAT:

3 (a) AT LEAST ONE OF THE PARENTS APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEE
4 IS THE PARENT OF A STUDENT ENROLLED IN A CHARTER SCHOOL
5 AUTHORIZED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION, IF THE
6 BOARD HAS AUTHORIZED ANY CHARTER SCHOOLS; AND

7 (b) AT LEAST ONE OF THE PERSONS APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEE
8 HAS A DEMONSTRATED KNOWLEDGE OF CHARTER SCHOOLS.

9 (5) THE MEMBERS OF EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY
10 COMMITTEE SHALL SELECT FROM AMONG THE PARENT REPRESENTATIVES
11 SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE A MEMBER TO SERVE AS CHAIR OR CO-CHAIR
12 OF THE COMMITTEE. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
13 ESTABLISH THE LENGTH OF TERM FOR WHICH THE COMMITTEE CHAIR OR
14 CO-CHAIR SHALL SERVE.

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

17 **22-7-106. School accountability committees - creation -**
18 **qualifications - elections.** (1) ~~(a) Except as provided in subsection (4)~~
19 ~~of this section, There shall be a school advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
20 COMMITTEE at each public school in each school district, INCLUDING BUT
21 NOT LIMITED TO EACH DISTRICT CHARTER SCHOOL, and at each institute
22 charter school created pursuant to part 5 of article 30.5 of this title. A
23 school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE shall consist of AT
24 LEAST seven members ~~designated, appointed, or elected~~ as follows:

- 25 (I) The principal of the school or the principal's designee;
26 (II) AT LEAST one teacher who provides instruction at the school;
27 elected by a vote of all licensed professionals who provide instruction at

1 the school or have an office in the school; _____

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

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

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

10 (a.3) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION OR THE STATE
11 CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE SHALL DETERMINE THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF
12 PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE AND THE METHOD
13 FOR SELECTING THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
14 COMMITTEE. IF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OR THE INSTITUTE CHOOSES TO
15 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
16 COMMITTEE, IT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE NUMBER OF PARENTS, AS
17 DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH _____ (III) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
18 SUBSECTION (1), ON THE COMMITTEE EXCEEDS THE NUMBER OF
19 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GROUP WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST
20 REPRESENTATION.

21 (a.5) A PERSON MAY NOT BE SELECTED TO FILL MORE THAN ONE OF
22 THE MEMBER POSITIONS REQUIRED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION
23 (1) IN A SINGLE TERM.

24 (a.7) IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION OR THE
25 INSTITUTE DETERMINES THAT THE MEMBERS OF A SCHOOL
26 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE SHOULD BE APPOINTED, THE APPOINTING
27 AUTHORITY SHALL, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, APPOINT PERSONS WHO

1 REFLECT THE STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY
2 REPRESENTED WITHIN THE SCHOOL. IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF
3 EDUCATION OR THE INSTITUTE DETERMINES THAT PERSONS SHALL BE
4 ELECTED TO SERVE ON THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, THE
5 SCHOOL PRINCIPAL SHALL ENCOURAGE PERSONS WHO REFLECT THE
6 STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN
7 THE SCHOOL TO SEEK ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE. SAID STUDENT
8 POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

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

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

1 of the council and other employees or persons related to employees shall
2 be disqualified.

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

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

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

24 (3) Any vacancies that may arise on the council A SCHOOL
25 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE by reason of a member's resignation or
26 disqualification or for any other reason shall be filled by majority action
27 of the remaining members of the council COMMITTEE. Except for the

1 principal, no member of the council shall serve more than two
2 consecutive, full terms, plus any balance remaining on an unexpired term
3 if the initial appointment was to fill a vacancy. == ==

4 (3.5) THE MEMBERS OF EACH SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
5 COMMITTEE SHALL ANNUALLY SELECT FROM AMONG THE PARENT
6 REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED TO THE COMMITTEE A MEMBER TO SERVE AS
7 CHAIR OR CO-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE.

8 (4) The school advisory council required by this section shall not
9 be required in any school or school district that demonstrates that prior to
10 January 1, 2000, the school or school district had in place a committee or
11 council that performed at least the duties specified for school advisory
12 councils in this section and section 22-7-107. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY
13 PROVISION OF THIS SECTION TO THE CONTRARY:

14 (a) IF, AFTER MAKING GOOD-FAITH EFFORTS, A PRINCIPAL OR AN
15 ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS IS UNABLE TO FIND
16 A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO ARE WILLING TO SERVE ON THE
17 SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, THE PRINCIPAL, WITH ADVICE
18 FROM THE ORGANIZATION OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS, MAY
19 ESTABLISH AN ALTERNATIVE MEMBERSHIP PLAN FOR THE SCHOOL
20 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, WHICH PLAN SHALL REFLECT THE
21 MEMBERSHIP SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS
22 SECTION AS MUCH AS PRACTICABLE;

23 (b) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF A DISTRICT CHARTER SCHOOL OR
24 AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL MAY SERVE AS THE SCHOOL
25 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE;

26 (c) IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH FIVE HUNDRED OR FEWER
27 ENROLLED STUDENTS, ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

1 BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY ALSO SERVE ON A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
2 COMMITTEE AND THE DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE MAY SERVE
3 AS A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE.

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

7 **SECTION 4.** The introductory portion to 22-5.5-105 (2) (a) and
8 22-5.5-105 (2) (a) (IV), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

9 **22-5.5-105. Regional service areas - establishment - plan -**
10 **governance.** (2) (a) Each plan for a regional service area shall be
11 administered by a locally appointed regional service council, representing
12 the following entities within the regional service area and composed of
13 a minimum of five members; EXCEPT THAT A REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL
14 INITIALLY FORMED OR REORGANIZED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
15 OF SENATE BILL 09-090, ENACTED IN 2009, SHALL BE COMPOSED OF A
16 MINIMUM OF SIX MEMBERS as follows:

17 (IV) The regional service council, within ninety days after its
18 initial formation and each time the regional service council reorganizes
19 thereafter, shall appoint one council member representing business and
20 industry, ~~and~~ one council member representing each existing early
21 childhood council from within the regional service area, AND, FOR A
22 REGIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL INITIALLY FORMED OR REORGANIZED ON OR
23 AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-090, ENACTED IN 2009,
24 ONE COUNCIL MEMBER WHO IS A PARENT OF A STUDENT ENROLLED IN A
25 PUBLIC PRESCHOOL, ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, OR POSTSECONDARY
26 INSTITUTION LOCATED WITHIN THE REGIONAL SERVICE AREA.

27 **SECTION 5.** 22-13-103 (1) (k), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

1 amended to read:

2 **22-13-103. School leadership academy board - created - duties**
3 **- reports - repeal.** (1) There is hereby created in the department the
4 school leadership academy board, which shall consist of fourteen
5 members appointed by the commissioner as follows:

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

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13 **SECTION 6.** 22-80-103 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read:

15 **22-80-103. Board of trustees - appointments - powers - duties**
16 **- fund created.** (1) (a) There is hereby created by a **type 1** transfer in the
17 department of education a board of trustees for the Colorado school for
18 the deaf and the blind. The board of trustees shall consist of seven
19 members who are residents of Colorado, appointed by the governor with
20 the consent of the senate. Of these seven members, at least one appointee
21 shall be a blind person and at least one appointee shall be a deaf person.
22 BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST APPOINTMENT MADE ON OR AFTER THE
23 EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-090, ENACTED IN 2009, THE
24 GOVERNOR SHALL ENSURE THAT, OF THE SEVEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
25 OF TRUSTEES, AT LEAST ONE APPOINTEE IS THE PARENT OF A CHILD WHO
26 IS DEAF OR BLIND OR BOTH.

27 **SECTION 7.** 23-1-103 (1) (b) and (1) (c), Colorado Revised

1 Statutes, are amended to read:

2 **23-1-103. Advisory committee to the Colorado commission on**
3 **higher education.** (1) There is hereby established an advisory
4 committee to the commission for the purpose of suggesting solutions for
5 the problems and needs of higher education and maintaining liaison with
6 the general assembly and the governing boards for state-supported
7 institutions of higher education. The advisory committee shall consist of
8 not less than thirteen members, to be designated as follows:

9 (b) One member shall be selected and designated by the
10 commission to represent the faculty in the state and one member shall be
11 selected and designated by the commission to represent the students in the
12 state. ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 09-090,
13 ENACTED IN 2009, THE COMMISSION SHALL SELECT AND DESIGNATE ONE
14 MEMBER WHO, AT THE TIME OF DESIGNATION, IS A PARENT OF A STUDENT
15 WHO IS ENROLLED IN A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
16 EDUCATION IN COLORADO TO REPRESENT THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS.

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

20 **SECTION 8.** 22-7-107 (1) and the introductory portion to
21 22-7-107 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

22 **22-7-107. School accountability committee recommendations**
23 **- meetings.** (1) In addition to any other duties and powers provided for
24 by law, the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE of each
25 public school shall make recommendations to the principal of the school
26 regarding the prioritization of expenditures of school moneys. The
27 principal shall consider such recommendations made by the school

1 ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE regarding the expenditure
2 of any state, federal, local, or private grants and any other discretionary
3 ~~funds~~ MONEYS.

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

6 **SECTION 9.** 22-7-205 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
7 amended to read:

8 **22-7-205. Local goals and objectives and plans to improve**
9 **educational achievement and graduation rates.** (1) No later than June
10 15, 1989, and then no later than September 1, 1990, and September 1 of
11 each year thereafter, the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY
12 COMMITTEE for each school building in the state shall adopt high, but
13 achievable, goals and objectives for the improvement of education in its
14 building and shall adopt a plan to improve educational achievement in the
15 school, to implement methods of maximizing graduation rates from the
16 secondary schools of the district, and to increase the ratings for the
17 school's accreditation category established pursuant to section 22-11-202.
18 Each building's goals and objectives and plan shall be reviewed by the
19 district accountability committee before its submission to the board of
20 education of the district. Procedures for the implementation of the plan
21 shall be included in the budget submitted to the board of education
22 pursuant to section 22-44-108.

23 **SECTION 10.** 22-7-207, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
24 to read:

25 **22-7-207. School accountability committees -**
26 **recommendations - prioritization of school expenditures.** In addition
27 to any other duties and powers provided for by law, the school ~~advisory~~

1 ~~council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for each school building in the state
2 shall make recommendations to the chief executive officer of the school
3 relative to the prioritization of expenditures of school district moneys by
4 such school. In addition, a copy of such recommendations shall be sent
5 to the accountability committee of the school district and to the board of
6 education of such school district. The chief executive officer shall
7 consider such recommendations made by the school ~~advisory council~~
8 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE in formulating budget requests to be
9 presented to the board of education.

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

12 **22-11-303. Colorado school awards program - distribution of**
13 **award.** (1) Any award presented by the state board pursuant to this part
14 3 shall be spent or distributed for use within the public school as the
15 principal of the public school, after consultation with the school ~~advisory~~
16 ~~council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE for the public school, deems
17 appropriate.

18 **SECTION 12.** 22-30.5-104 (6) (a) and (6) (b), Colorado Revised
19 Statutes, are amended to read:

20 **22-30.5-104. Charter school - requirements - authority.**
21 (6) (a) Pursuant to contract, a charter school may operate free from
22 specified school district policies and free from state rules, as provided in
23 paragraph (b) of this subsection (6). Pursuant to contract, a local board
24 of education may waive locally imposed school district requirements,
25 without seeking approval of the state board; except that a charter school
26 shall not, by contract or otherwise, operate free of the requirements
27 contained in the "Public School Finance Act of 1994", article 54 of this

1 title, THE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN PART 1 OF ARTICLE 7 OF THIS TITLE
2 CONCERNING SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEES, or the requirements
3 contained in the "Children's Internet Protection Act", article 87 of this
4 title.

5 (b) The state board shall promulgate rules identifying state statutes
6 and state rules that are automatically waived for all charter schools. A
7 school district, on behalf of a charter school, may apply to the state board
8 for a waiver of a state statute or state rule that is not automatically waived
9 for charter schools by rule. Notwithstanding any provision of this
10 subsection (6) to the contrary, the state board may not waive ANY
11 STATUTE OR STATE RULE RELATING TO SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY
12 COMMITTEES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-106, any statute or rule
13 relating to the assessments required to be administered pursuant to section
14 22-7-409, any statute or rule necessary to prepare the school
15 accountability reports pursuant to part 6 of article 7 of this title, any
16 statute or rule necessary to implement the provisions of the "Public
17 School Finance Act of 1994", article 54 of this title, or any statute or rule
18 relating to the "Children's Internet Protection Act", article 87 of this title.

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20 **SECTION 13.** 22-30.5-304 (1)(d)(I), Colorado Revised Statutes,
21 is amended to read:

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

1 (d) (I) Two parents of students enrolled in the school who are
2 members of the school ~~advisory council~~ ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
3 and are elected by a vote of the members of the school ~~advisory council~~
4 ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE.

5 **SECTION 14.** 22-30.5-507 (7), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read:

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

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25 **SECTION 15.** 22-32.5-104 (3) (f) and (4) (c), Colorado Revised
26 Statutes, are amended to read:

27 **22-32.5-104. Innovation plans - submission - contents.**

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

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

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

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

22 **SECTION 16.** 22-32.5-110 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
23 amended to read:

24 **22-32.5-110. District of innovation - review of innovation**
25 **schools and innovation school zones.** (1) Three years after the local
26 school board of a district of innovation approves an innovation plan or a
27 plan for creating an innovation school zone, and every three years

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

16 **SECTION 17.** 22-2-103 (1) (g) and (1) (h), Colorado Revised
17 Statutes, are amended, and the said 22-2-103 (1) is further amended BY
18 THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

19 **22-2-103. Department of education.** (1) The department of
20 education shall include the following:

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

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

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

25 **SECTION 18.** 24-1-115, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
26 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

27 **24-1-115. Department of education - creation.** (14) THE

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

6 **SECTION 19.** 2-3-1203 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
7 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

8 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The
9 following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the
10 designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

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

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