

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

February 24, 2011
Date

Committee on Education.

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

SB11-070 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. 22-20-104 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read:

5 **22-20-104. Administration - advisory committee - rules.**

6 (2) (a) In order to assist the state board in the performance of its
7 responsibilities for the implementation of this article, the state board shall
8 appoint a state special education advisory committee of an appropriate
9 size. The members of the advisory committee shall be representative of
10 the state population and shall be composed of persons involved in or
11 concerned with the education of children with disabilities, including:

12 (I) Parents of children with disabilities ages birth through
13 twenty-six years;

14 (II) Individuals with disabilities;

15 (III) Teachers;

16 (IV) Representatives of institutions of higher education that
17 prepare special education and related services personnel;

18 (V) State and local education officials, including officials who
19 carry out activities under section 22-33-103.5;

20 (VI) Administrators of programs for children with disabilities;

21 (VII) Representatives of other state agencies involved in the
22 financing or delivery of related services to children with disabilities;

23 (VIII) Representatives of private schools, district charter schools,
24 and institute charter schools;

1 (IX) At least one representative of a vocational, community, or
2 business organization concerned with the provision of transition services
3 to children with disabilities;

4 (X) REPRESENTATIVES OF A CONSORTIUM OF DISABILITIES
5 SERVICES PROFESSIONALS FROM THE STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
6 EDUCATION;

7 (XI) A representative from child welfare services in the
8 department of human services established pursuant to section 26-5-102,
9 C.R.S.; and

10 (XII) Representatives from the division of youth corrections in the
11 department of human services and from the department of corrections.

12 (a.5) A majority of the members of the advisory committee shall
13 be individuals with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities.
14 Members shall be appointed for one-year or two-year terms. Any
15 additions to the composition of the advisory committee shall be made
16 pursuant to the procedures of the state board.

17 (b) (Deleted by amendment, L. 91, p. 694, § 6, effective April 20,
18 1991.)

19 (c) IN ADDITION TO MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE STATE
20 BOARD PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (2), THE STATE
21 SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIDER ISSUES
22 PERTAINING TO:

23 (I) TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES FROM
24 SECONDARY TO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT
25 LIMITED TO THE DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
26 EDUCATION TO OBTAIN DISABILITIES SERVICES;

27 (II) CREATING POSTSECONDARY EMPLOYMENT TRAINING
28 PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES,
29 INCLUDING INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES, WHO CHOOSE TO CONTINUE INTO
30 POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION BUT MAY NOT BE SEEKING A
31 POSTSECONDARY DEGREE; AND

32 (III) SERVING STUDENTS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES IN
33 POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.

34 (d) IN CONSIDERING THE ISSUES SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (c) OF
35 THIS SUBSECTION (2), THE STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY
36 COMMITTEE SHALL WORK WITH:

37 (I) A CONSORTIUM OF DISABILITIES SERVICES PROFESSIONALS
38 FROM THE STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION;

39 (II) PERSONS FROM THE UNIT WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT THAT
40 ADDRESSES EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT ISSUES, WHICH PERSONS SPECIALIZE
41 IN SECONDARY TRANSITION ISSUES; AND

1 (III) ONE OR MORE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
2 HIGHER EDUCATION.

3 (e) IN ADDITION TO SUBMITTING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
4 STATE BOARD, THE STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
5 MAY SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER
6 EDUCATION AS APPROPRIATE.

7 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
8 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
9 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety."

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