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HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Education.SB13-193 be amended as follows:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 14, after line 26 insert:

2 "SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 22-11-211 as
3 follows:

4 **22-11-211. Public schools - parent request for reform.**

5 (1) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE TO THE
6 CONTRARY, THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL
7 THAT HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION FOR A COMBINED TOTAL OF AT
8 LEAST TWO CONSECUTIVE SCHOOL YEARS MAY REQUEST THAT THE STATE
9 BOARD DIRECT THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD, FOR A DISTRICT PUBLIC
10 SCHOOL, OR THE INSTITUTE, FOR AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, TO
11 REFORM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BY IMPLEMENTING AN ACTION SELECTED BY
12 THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE FROM AMONG THE ACTIONS
13 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 22-11-210 (6) (a).

14 (b) TO REQUEST THAT THE STATE BOARD DIRECT THE LOCAL
15 SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE REFORM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL, THE
16 PARENTS MUST SUBMIT TO THE STATE BOARD A PETITION SIGNED BY AT
17 LEAST SIXTY PERCENT OF THE FAMILIES OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN
18 THE SCHOOL; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE PARENTS SUBMIT THE PETITION AFTER
19 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION FOR A COMBINED
20 TOTAL OF MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE SCHOOL YEARS, THE PETITION
21 MUST BE SIGNED BY MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FAMILIES OF THE
22 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL. A PETITION MAY INCLUDE THE
23 SIGNATURE OF NO MORE THAN ONE BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE PARENT OR
24 LEGAL GUARDIAN FROM EACH STUDENT'S HOUSEHOLD. IF A PETITION
25 INCLUDES THE SIGNATURE OF MORE THAN ONE BIOLOGICAL OR ADOPTIVE
26 PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN FROM A STUDENT'S HOUSEHOLD, THE
27 PETITION IS VALID, BUT ONLY ONE SIGNATURE FROM A HOUSEHOLD WILL
28 BE COUNTED IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE PETITION MEETS THE
29 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES SPECIFIED IN THIS
30 PARAGRAPH (b).

31 (c) WHEN SUBMITTING A PETITION TO THE STATE BOARD, THE
32 PARENTS MUST SIMULTANEOUSLY PROVIDE A COPY OF THE PETITION TO
33 THE AFFECTED PUBLIC SCHOOL AND TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL SCHOOL
34 BOARD IF THE AFFECTED PUBLIC SCHOOL IS A SCHOOL OF A SCHOOL
35 DISTRICT OR TO THE INSTITUTE IF THE AFFECTED SCHOOL IS AN INSTITUTE
36 CHARTER SCHOOL. THE PARENTS MUST SUBMIT THE PETITION BY
37 NOVEMBER 1 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRIOR TO THE CALENDAR YEAR IN

1 WHICH THE ACTION TO REFORM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL WOULD TAKE EFFECT,
2 OR BY JANUARY 15 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE DIRECTED
3 ACTION WOULD TAKE EFFECT IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE INSTITUTE
4 APPEALS THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION
5 CATEGORY.

6 (d) EACH PETITION MUST IDENTIFY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TO WHICH
7 IT APPLIES AND INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT AT THE TOP OF EACH
8 PAGE: "BY SIGNING THIS PETITION, A PERSON AFFIRMS THAT HE OR SHE IS
9 THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A STUDENT CURRENTLY ENROLLED
10 IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IDENTIFIED ON THIS PETITION AND THAT HE OR SHE
11 UNDERSTANDS THAT ONLY ONE SIGNATURE PER FAMILY IS ALLOWED ON
12 THIS PETITION AND DUPLICATE SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE COUNTED."

13 (2) UPON RECEIVING A PETITION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE
14 STATE BOARD SHALL PLACE CONSIDERATION OF THE PETITION ON THE
15 AGENDA FOR ITS NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC BOARD MEETING.
16 FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION AT THE PUBLIC MEETING, THE STATE BOARD
17 MAY ACCEPT OR REJECT THE PETITION REQUEST OR MAY CHOOSE TO
18 RECONSIDER THE PETITION REQUEST IN THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. IN
19 CONSIDERING THE PETITION, THE STATE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER WHETHER
20 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS DEMONSTRATED IMPROVEMENT IN ITS LEVEL OF
21 ACHIEVEMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS IN THE PRECEDING TWO
22 YEARS. IF IT ACCEPTS THE REQUEST, THE STATE BOARD MUST EITHER
23 DIRECT THE COMMISSIONER TO ASSIGN THE STATE REVIEW PANEL TO
24 EVALUATE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S PERFORMANCE AND MAKE
25 RECOMMENDATIONS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-11-210 (6) OR DIRECT
26 THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE TO REFORM THE PUBLIC
27 SCHOOL BY IMPLEMENTING ONE OF THE ACTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION
28 22-11-210 (6) (a). THE STATE BOARD MAY RECOMMEND THAT THE LOCAL
29 SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE IMPLEMENT A PARTICULAR ACTION
30 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 22-11-210 (6) (a).

31 (3) WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A DIRECTION FROM THE
32 STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO REFORM A PUBLIC SCHOOL,
33 THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE SHALL SELECT FROM AMONG
34 THE ACTIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 22-11-210 (6) (a) THE ACTION OR
35 ACTIONS IT WILL IMPLEMENT TO REFORM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL. AT THE
36 PUBLIC MEETING AT WHICH IT MAKES THE SELECTION, THE LOCAL SCHOOL
37 BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE SHALL, UPON REQUEST, TAKE TESTIMONY FROM
38 THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT IS THE
39 SUBJECT OF THE ACTION. THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OR THE INSTITUTE
40 SHALL IMPLEMENT THE ACTION TO TAKE EFFECT IN THE FOLLOWING
41 SCHOOL YEAR; EXCEPT THAT THE STATE BOARD MAY GRANT AN

1 EXTENSION OF TIME OF UP TO ONE FULL SCHOOL YEAR TO IMPLEMENT THE
2 REFORM ACTION BASED ON A SHOWING BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OR
3 THE INSTITUTE THAT IT IS NOT FEASIBLE TO IMPLEMENT THE ACTION IN THE
4 NEXT SCHOOL YEAR WITH THE LEVEL OF INTEGRITY NECESSARY TO MAKE
5 THE REFORM ACTION SUCCESSFUL.

6 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-103, repeal
7 (14), (24), (27), and (37) as follows:

8 **22-11-103. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context
9 otherwise requires:

10 (14) "Improvement plan" means:

11 (a) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a school district pursuant~~
12 ~~to section 22-11-304, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
13 ~~specifically as a "district improvement plan";~~

14 (b) ~~The plan described in and adopted by the institute pursuant to~~
15 ~~section 22-11-304, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
16 ~~specifically as an "institute improvement plan"; or~~

17 (c) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a public school pursuant~~
18 ~~to section 22-11-404, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
19 ~~specifically as a "school improvement plan".~~

20 (24) "Performance plan" means:

21 (a) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a school district pursuant~~
22 ~~to section 22-11-303, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
23 ~~specifically as a "district performance plan";~~

24 (b) ~~The plan described in and adopted by the institute pursuant to~~
25 ~~section 22-11-303, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
26 ~~specifically as an "institute performance plan"; or~~

27 (c) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a public school pursuant~~
28 ~~to section 22-11-403, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
29 ~~specifically as a "school performance plan".~~

30 (27) "Priority improvement plan" means:

31 (a) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a school district pursuant~~
32 ~~to section 22-11-305, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
33 ~~specifically as a "district priority improvement plan";~~

34 (b) ~~The plan described in and adopted by the institute pursuant to~~
35 ~~section 22-11-305, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
36 ~~specifically as an "institute priority improvement plan"; or~~

37 (c) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a public school pursuant~~
38 ~~to section 22-11-405, in which case it may also be referred to more~~
39 ~~specifically as a "school priority improvement plan".~~

40 (37) "Turnaround plan" means:

41 (a) ~~The plan described in and adopted by a school district pursuant~~



1 to section 22-11-306, in which case it may also be referred to more
2 specifically as a "district turnaround plan";

3 (b) The plan described in and adopted by the institute pursuant to
4 section 22-11-306, in which case it may also be referred to more
5 specifically as an "institute turnaround plan"; or

6 (c) The plan described in and adopted by a public school pursuant
7 to section 22-11-406, in which case it may also be referred to more
8 specifically as a "school turnaround plan".

9 SECTION 12. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-206, amend
10 (3) (b) as follows:

11 22-11-206. Accreditation of school districts and institute -
12 contracts - rules. (3) Each accreditation contract shall, at a minimum,
13 address the following elements:

14 (b) The school district's or the institute's adoption and
15 implementation of its performance, improvement, priority improvement,
16 or turnaround plan, whichever is appropriate THE PLAN THAT THE SCHOOL
17 DISTRICT OR INSTITUTE IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT based on the school
18 district's or institute's accreditation category;

19 SECTION 13. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-207, amend
20 (1), (2) (e), (3), and (4) as follows:

21 22-11-207. Accreditation categories - criteria - rules. (1) The
22 state board shall promulgate rules to establish THE FOLLOWING
23 accreditation categories that shall include, but need not be limited to FOR
24 SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND FOR THE INSTITUTE:

25 (a) "Accredited with distinction" "A", meaning a school district
26 or the institute IS MAKING EXCELLENT PROGRESS AND meets or exceeds the
27 statewide targets or targets annually set by the school district or the
28 institute or exceeds statewide attainment on the performance indicators
29 and is required to adopt and implement a performance plan as described
30 PROVIDED in section 22-11-303;

31 (b) "Accredited" "B", meaning a school district or the institute IS
32 MAKING ABOVE AVERAGE PROGRESS AND meets statewide attainment on
33 the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a
34 performance plan as described PROVIDED in section 22-11-303 22-11-304;

35 (c) "Accredited with improvement plan" "C", meaning the school
36 district or the institute IS MAKING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS, MEETS
37 STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON SOME, BUT NOT ALL, PERFORMANCE
38 INDICATORS, AND is required to adopt and implement an improvement A
39 plan as provided in section 22-11-304;

40 (d) "Accredited with priority improvement plan" "D", meaning the
41 school district or the institute IS MAKING LESS THAN SATISFACTORY



1 PROGRESS, DOES NOT MEET STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON MOST OF THE
2 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, AND is required to adopt and implement a
3 priority improvement plan as provided in section 22-11-305; or

4 (e) ~~"Accredited with turnaround plan"~~ "F", meaning the school
5 district or the institute IS FAILING TO MAKE ADEQUATE PROGRESS, DOES
6 NOT MEET STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS,
7 AND is required to adopt, with the commissioner's approval, and
8 implement a ~~turnaround~~ plan as provided in section 22-11-306.

9 (2) The state board shall promulgate rules establishing objective,
10 measurable criteria that the department shall apply in determining the
11 appropriate accreditation category for each school district and the
12 institute, placing the greatest emphasis on attainment of the performance
13 indicators. At a minimum, the rules shall take into consideration:

14 (e) The improvements, changes, and interventions a school district
15 or the institute implements in any public school of the district or institute
16 charter school that ~~is required to adopt an improvement, priority~~
17 ~~improvement, or turnaround plan~~ HAS A "B", "C", "D", OR "F"
18 ACCREDITATION pursuant to section 22-11-210;

19 (3) In promulgating rules pursuant to this section, the state board
20 shall use clear, understandable language to describe the accreditation
21 categories and the levels of attainment of the performance indicators, with
22 the goal of providing a high degree of transparency in the accreditation
23 process. THE STATE BOARD SHALL ENSURE THAT THE REQUIRED LEVELS OF
24 ACHIEVEMENT IDENTIFIED IN THE RULES FOR EACH ACCREDITATION
25 CATEGORY ARE RIGOROUS SO THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OR THE
26 INSTITUTE'S ACCREDITATION CATEGORY ACCURATELY REPRESENTS THE
27 LEVELS OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND GROWTH OBTAINED BY THE
28 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OR INSTITUTION'S STUDENTS.

29 (4) The state board by rule shall specify how long a school district
30 or the institute may remain in an accreditation category that is below
31 accredited "B"; except that the state board shall not allow a school district
32 or the institute to remain at ~~accredited with priority improvement plan~~
33 THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY OF "D" or below for longer than a total
34 of five consecutive school years before removing the school district's or
35 the institute's accreditation as provided in section 22-11-209.

36 **SECTION 14.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-208, **amend**
37 (1) (a), (1) (c), (1) (e), (2) introductory portion, (2) (c), and (3)
38 introductory portion as follows:

39 **22-11-208. Accreditation - annual review - supports and**
40 **interventions - rules.** (1) (a) The department shall annually review each
41 school district's and the institute's performance and, based on the rules of



1 the state board, determine the appropriate accreditation category for the
2 school district or institute. The department shall notify each school district
3 and the institute of its accreditation category and shall publish each
4 school district's and the institute's accreditation category, with supporting
5 data, on the data portal. The department shall also publish each school
6 district's and the institute's performance, ~~improvement, priority~~
7 ~~improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is applicable,~~ on the data
8 portal following adoption of the plan.

9 (c) In reviewing school districts' and the institute's performance,
10 the department, to the extent possible, shall evaluate the cost
11 effectiveness of intervention strategies implemented by the state, school
12 districts, and the institute in attempting to improve performance in school
13 districts that are ~~in an accreditation category that is lower than accredited~~
14 ~~HAVE A "B" ACCREDITATION OR LOWER~~ or in the institute if it ~~is in an~~
15 ~~accreditation category that is HAS A "B" ACCREDITATION OR lower. than~~
16 ~~accredited.~~

17 (e) The state board shall promulgate rules to ensure a school
18 district's or the institute's right to a hearing before the state board to
19 appeal ~~placement in the accredited with turnaround plan category~~ AN "F"
20 ACCREDITATION or removal of accreditation pursuant to section
21 22-11-209.

22 (2) The department shall provide technical assistance and support
23 to school districts that are ~~accredited with improvement plan, accredited~~
24 ~~with priority improvement plan, or accredited with turnaround plan~~ HAVE
25 A "B", "C", "D", OR "F" ACCREDITATION and to the institute if it is
26 ~~accredited at any of those categories~~ HAS A "B", "C", "D", OR "F"
27 ACCREDITATION. The department shall base the amount of technical
28 assistance and support provided to a school district or the institute on the
29 school district's or institute's degree of need for assistance and the
30 department's available resources. Technical assistance and support may
31 include, but need not be limited to:

32 (c) Evaluation and feedback on the school district's or the
33 institute's ~~improvement, priority improvement, or turnaround plan.~~
34 ~~whichever is applicable.~~

35 (3) The commissioner may assign the state review panel to
36 critically evaluate a school district's ~~priority improvement plan~~ or the
37 institute's ~~priority improvement plan~~ IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE
38 INSTITUTE HAS A "D" ACCREDITATION. The commissioner shall assign the
39 state review panel to critically evaluate a school district's ~~turnaround plan~~
40 or the institute's ~~turnaround plan~~ IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE
41 INSTITUTE HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION. Based on its evaluation, the state

1 review panel shall report to the commissioner and the state board
2 recommendations concerning:

3 **SECTION 15.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-209, amend
4 (1) (a) and (1) (b) as follows:

5 **22-11-209. Removal of accreditation - recommendation -**
6 **review - appeal - rules.** (1) The department may recommend to the
7 commissioner and the state board that the state board remove a school
8 district's or the institute's accreditation if:

9 (a) The school district or the institute is ~~accredited with~~
10 ~~turnaround plan~~ HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION and the department
11 determines that the school district or the institute has failed to make
12 substantial progress under its turnaround plan; or

13 (b) The school district or the institute has ~~been in the accredited~~
14 ~~with priority improvement plan category~~ HAD A "D" ACCREDITATION or
15 lower for five consecutive school years; or

16 **SECTION 16.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 22-11-210
17 as follows:

18 **22-11-210. Public schools - annual review - accreditation -**
19 **supports and interventions - rules.** (1) THE STATE BOARD SHALL
20 PROMULGATE RULES TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING ACCREDITATION
21 CATEGORIES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

22 (a) "A", MEANING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS MAKING EXCELLENT
23 PROGRESS AND MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE STATEWIDE TARGETS OR TARGETS
24 ANNUALLY SET BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE INSTITUTE OR EXCEEDS
25 STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND IS
26 REQUIRED TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN AS PROVIDED IN SECTION
27 22-11-403;

28 (b) "B", MEANING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS MAKING ABOVE AVERAGE
29 PROGRESS AND MEETS STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON THE PERFORMANCE
30 INDICATORS AND IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN AS
31 PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-11-404;

32 (c) "C", MEANING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS MAKING SATISFACTORY
33 PROGRESS, MEETS STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON SOME, BUT NOT ALL,
34 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, AND IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT
35 A PLAN AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-11-404;

36 (d) "D", MEANING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS MAKING LESS THAN
37 SATISFACTORY PROGRESS, DOES NOT MEET STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON
38 MOST OF THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, AND IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT AND
39 IMPLEMENT A PLAN AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 22-11-405; OR

40 (e) "F", MEANING THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IS FAILING TO MAKE
41 ADEQUATE PROGRESS, DOES NOT MEET STATEWIDE ATTAINMENT ON THE

1 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, AND IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT, WITH THE
2 COMMISSIONER'S APPROVAL, AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN AS PROVIDED IN
3 SECTION 22-11-406.

4 ~~(1)~~ (2) (a) The state board shall promulgate rules establishing
5 objective, measurable criteria that the department shall apply in
6 recommending to the state board ~~that a~~ THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY
7 FOR EACH public school ~~shall implement a performance, improvement,~~
8 ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan~~ or that a public school shall be
9 subject to restructuring. In promulgating the rules, the state board shall
10 place the greatest emphasis on attainment of the performance indicators.
11 In addition, the rules shall MUST, at a minimum, take into consideration:

12 (I) A public school's level of attainment of the statewide and
13 school district or institute targets on the performance indicators and the
14 public school's level of attainment of its own annual targets;

15 (II) A public school's level of attainment of the performance
16 indicators compared with statewide attainment of the performance
17 indicators;

18 (III) The length of time during which a public school has been
19 unable to meet the statewide targets, the school district or institute targets,
20 or its own targets;

21 (IV) The improvements, changes, and interventions a public
22 school implements to improve its performance if it is not meeting the
23 statewide targets, the school district or institute targets, or its own targets;
24 and

25 (V) The progress a public school makes in improving its
26 performance and in moving closer to meeting the statewide targets, the
27 school district or institute targets, and its own targets.

28 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (a) of this
29 subsection ~~(1)~~ SUBSECTION (2) to the contrary, the state board shall
30 promulgate rules establishing objective, measurable criteria that the
31 department shall apply in recommending to the state board ~~that an~~ THE
32 ACCREDITATION CATEGORY FOR EACH alternative education campus
33 ~~implement a performance, improvement, priority improvement, or~~
34 ~~turnaround plan~~ or that an alternative education campus shall be subject
35 to restructuring. The state board, in adopting the criteria for evaluating the
36 performance of an alternative education campus, and the department, in
37 applying the criteria, shall take into account the unique purposes of the
38 campuses and the unique circumstances of and challenges posed by the
39 students enrolled in the campuses.

40 (c) In promulgating rules pursuant to this subsection ~~(1)~~
41 SUBSECTION (2), the state board shall use clear, understandable language



1 to describe the criteria for determining the type of plan that ASSIGNING AN
2 ACCREDITATION CATEGORY TO a public school shall implement and the
3 levels of attainment of the performance indicators, with the goal of
4 providing a high degree of transparency in the public school performance
5 review process. THE STATE BOARD SHALL ENSURE THAT THE REQUIRED
6 LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT IDENTIFIED IN THE RULES FOR EACH
7 ACCREDITATION CATEGORY ARE RIGOROUS SO THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL'S
8 ACCREDITATION CATEGORY ACCURATELY REPRESENTS THE LEVELS OF
9 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND GROWTH OBTAINED BY THE STUDENTS
10 ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

11 (d) The state board by rule shall specify how long a public school
12 may implement an improvement, priority improvement, or turnaround
13 plan CONTINUE WITH A "B", "C", "D", OR "F" ACCREDITATION; except that
14 the state board shall not allow a public school to continue implementing
15 a priority improvement or turnaround plan WITH A "D" OR "F"
16 ACCREDITATION for longer than a combined total of five consecutive
17 school years before requiring the school district or the institute to
18 restructure or close the public school.

19 (e) The state board by rule shall establish the time frames within
20 which the department shall review each public school's performance,
21 submit recommendations to the state board, and report to the public
22 school and to the school's local school board or the institute the state
23 board's determination regarding the type of plan the public school shall
24 implement PUBLIC SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION CATEGORY. The state board
25 shall also establish by rule the time frames within which the public
26 schools, or the public schools' local school boards or the institute board
27 as appropriate, shall adopt the school plans and submit them to the
28 department. The department shall publish each public school's plan on the
29 data portal with the public school's accreditation category identified by
30 the local school board or the institute and supporting data.

31 (f) In reviewing public schools' performance, the department, to
32 the extent possible, shall evaluate the cost effectiveness of intervention
33 strategies implemented by the state, school districts, the institute, and the
34 public schools in attempting to improve performance in public schools
35 that are implementing school improvement, priority improvement, or
36 turnaround plans HAVE A "B", "C", "D", OR "F" ACCREDITATION.

37 (2) (3) (a) The department shall annually review each public
38 school's performance and, based on the rules of the state board,
39 recommend to the state board that THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY FOR
40 the public school shall implement a performance, improvement, priority
41 improvement, or turnaround plan for the coming school year. Based on



1 the department's recommendation, the state board shall notify the local
2 school board for the public school, or the institute if the public school is
3 an institute charter school, regarding the type of plan the public school
4 shall implement. The local school board or the institute shall place the
5 public school in the district or institute accreditation category that
6 correlates to the public school's plan, based on the school district's or
7 institute's school accreditation process PUBLIC SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION
8 CATEGORY.

9 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary,
10 a school district with one thousand students or fewer may submit a single
11 plan to satisfy the school district and school plan requirements, so long as
12 the plan meets all state and federal requirements for school and district
13 plans. A school district with more than one thousand but fewer than one
14 thousand two hundred students may, upon request and at the department's
15 discretion, submit a single plan to satisfy the school district and school
16 plan requirements, so long as the plan meets all state and federal
17 requirements for school and district plans.

18 (3) (4) At the request of a district public school's local school
19 board, or at the institute's request for an institute charter school, the
20 department shall provide technical assistance and support to the public
21 school, local school board, or institute in preparing and implementing the
22 public school's improvement, priority improvement, or turnaround plan.
23 The department shall base the amount of technical assistance and support
24 provided to a public school, the local school board, or the institute on the
25 school's degree of need for assistance and the department's available
26 resources. Technical assistance and support may include, but need not be
27 limited to:

28 (a) Access to data and research to support interpretation of student
29 data, decision-making, and learning;

30 (b) Consultative services on best practices for improvement and
31 implementation of intervention strategies, including, where appropriate,
32 strategies that address early childhood education and student engagement
33 and re-engagement; and

34 (c) Evaluation and feedback on the public school's plan.

35 (4) (5) The commissioner may assign the state review panel to
36 critically evaluate a public school's priority improvement plan IF THE
37 PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS A "D" ACCREDITATION and shall assign the state
38 review panel to critically evaluate a public school's turnaround plan IF THE
39 PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION. Based on its evaluation, the
40 state review panel shall report to the commissioner and the state board
41 recommendations concerning:



- 1 (a) Whether the public school's leadership is adequate to
 2 implement change to improve results;
- 3 (b) Whether the public school's infrastructure is adequate to
 4 support school improvement;
- 5 (c) The readiness and apparent capacity of the public school's
 6 personnel to plan effectively and lead the implementation of appropriate
 7 actions to improve student academic performance within the school;
- 8 (d) The readiness and apparent capacity of the public school's
 9 personnel to engage productively with and benefit from the assistance
 10 provided by an external partner;
- 11 (e) The likelihood of positive returns on state investments of
 12 assistance and support to improve the public school's performance within
 13 the current management structure and staffing; and
- 14 (f) The necessity that the public school remain in operation to
 15 serve students.
- 16 ~~(5)~~ (6) (a) If a public school THAT HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION
 17 fails to make adequate progress under its turnaround plan or continues to
 18 ~~operate under a priority improvement or turnaround plan~~ HAVE A "D" OR
 19 "F" ACCREDITATION for a combined total of five consecutive school years,
 20 the commissioner shall assign the state review panel to critically evaluate
 21 the public school's performance and determine whether to recommend:
- 22 (I) With regard to a district public school that is not a charter
 23 school, that the district public school should be managed by a private or
 24 public entity other than the school district;
- 25 (II) With regard to a district or institute charter school, that the
 26 public or private entity operating the charter school or the governing
 27 board of the charter school should be replaced by a different public or
 28 private entity or governing board;
- 29 (III) With regard to a district public school, that the district public
 30 school be converted to a charter school if it is not already authorized as
 31 a charter school;
- 32 (IV) With regard to a district public school, that the district public
 33 school be granted status as an innovation school pursuant to section
 34 22-32.5-104; or
- 35 (V) That the public school be closed or, with regard to a district
 36 charter school or an institute charter school, that the public school's
 37 charter be revoked.
- 38 (b) The state review panel shall present its recommendations to
 39 the commissioner and to the state board. Taking the recommendations
 40 into account, the state board shall determine which of the actions
 41 described in paragraph (a) of this ~~subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION (6) the local

1 school board for a district public school or the institute for an institute
2 charter school shall take regarding the public school and direct the local
3 school board or institute accordingly.

4 (6) (7) If a public school is restructured, the department, to the
5 extent possible, shall track the students enrolled in the public school in
6 the school year preceding the restructuring to determine whether the
7 students reenroll in the public school the following school year or transfer
8 to another public school of the school district, an institute charter school,
9 or a public school of another school district in the state. The department
10 shall provide the student tracking information, without personally
11 identifying the students, to the local school board or the institute upon
12 request.

13 **SECTION 17.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-302, amend
14 (1) (b) as follows:

15 **22-11-302. School district accountability committees - powers**
16 **and duties.** (1) Each school district accountability committee shall have
17 the following powers and duties:

18 (b) To advise its local school board concerning preparation of, and
19 annually submit to the local school board recommendations regarding the
20 contents of, ~~a district performance, improvement, priority improvement,~~
21 ~~or turnaround plan, whichever~~ THE DISTRICT PLAN THAT is required based
22 on the school district's accreditation category. In advising and preparing
23 the recommendations, the school district accountability committee shall
24 make reasonable efforts to consult in a substantive manner with the
25 school accountability committees of the school district and shall compile
26 and submit to the local school board the ~~school performance,~~
27 ~~improvement, priority improvement, and turnaround~~ SCHOOL plans
28 submitted by the school accountability committees pursuant to sections
29 22-11-403 to 22-11-406.

30 **SECTION 18.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-303, amend
31 (1), (2), and (3) introductory portion as follows:

32 **22-11-303. "A" accreditation - plan - school district or**
33 **institute - contents - adoption.** (1) (a) In accordance with time frames
34 specified in state board rules, each local school board that is ~~accredited~~
35 ~~or accredited with distinction~~ HAS AN "A" ACCREDITATION shall annually
36 adopt a ~~performance~~ plan for the school district as described in subsection
37 (3) of this section.

38 (b) The school district accountability committee for the school
39 district shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
40 district performance plan and make recommendations to the local school
41 board concerning the contents of the district performance plan. In



1 advising and making its recommendations, the school district
2 accountability committee shall take into account and incorporate any
3 district public school performance, improvement, priority improvement,
4 or turnaround plans received pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to
5 22-11-406. The local school board shall create and adopt the district
6 performance plan, taking into account the advice and recommendations
7 of the school district accountability committee.

8 (c) The local school board shall submit the adopted district
9 performance plan to the department for publication on the data portal and
10 shall ensure that the district performance plan is in effect for the school
11 district and the district public schools within the time frames specified in
12 state board rule. The local school board shall also make copies of the
13 district performance plan available to members of the public upon
14 request.

15 (2) (a) In accordance with time frames specified in state board
16 rules, the institute board, if it is ~~accredited or accredited with distinction~~
17 HAS AN "A" ACCREDITATION, shall annually adopt an institute
18 performance plan as described in subsection (3) of this section.

19 (b) Prior to creating the institute performance plan, the institute
20 shall compile the institute charter school performance, improvement,
21 priority improvement, and turnaround plans prepared for each institute
22 charter school pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406. The institute
23 shall take the compilation of plans into account in creating and adopting
24 the institute performance plan.

25 (c) The institute shall submit the adopted institute performance
26 plan to the department for publication on the data portal and shall ensure
27 that the institute performance plan is in effect for the institute and the
28 institute charter schools within the time frames specified in state board
29 rule. The institute shall also make copies of the institute performance plan
30 available to members of the public upon request.

31 (3) A district or institute performance plan shall ~~shall~~ MUST be designed
32 to raise the academic performance of students enrolled in the school
33 district or in the institute charter schools and to ensure that the school
34 district or the institute, following the next annual accreditation review,
35 attains a higher accreditation category or remains in the same
36 accreditation category. ~~if the school district or institute is accredited with~~
37 ~~distinction~~. At a minimum, each district and institute performance plan
38 shall:

39 **SECTION 19.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-304, **amend**
40 (1), (2), and (3) introductory portion as follows:

41 **22-11-304. "B" or "C" accreditation - school district or**



1 **institute - plan contents - adoption.** (1) (a) In accordance with the time
2 frames specified in state board rule, each school district that is ~~accredited~~
3 ~~with improvement plan~~ HAS A "B" OR "C" ACCREDITATION shall annually
4 adopt and implement a district improvement plan as described in
5 subsection (3) of this section.

6 (b) The school district accountability committee for the school
7 district shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
8 district improvement plan and make recommendations to the local school
9 board concerning the contents of the district improvement plan. In
10 advising and making its recommendations, the school district
11 accountability committee shall take into account and incorporate any
12 district public school performance, improvement, priority improvement,
13 or turnaround plans received pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to
14 22-11-406. The local school board shall create and adopt the district
15 improvement plan, taking into account the advice and recommendations
16 of the school district accountability committee.

17 (c) The local school board shall submit the adopted district
18 improvement plan to the department for publication on the data portal and
19 shall ensure that the district improvement plan is in effect for the school
20 district and the district public schools within the time frames specified in
21 state board rule. The local school board shall also make copies of the
22 district improvement plan available to members of the public upon
23 request.

24 (2) (a) If the institute is ~~accredited with improvement plan~~ HAS A
25 "B" OR "C" ACCREDITATION, the institute board shall, in accordance with
26 the time frames specified in state board rule, adopt and implement an
27 institute improvement plan as described in subsection (3) of this section.
28 In preparing the institute improvement plan, the institute board shall take
29 into account and incorporate any institute charter school performance;
30 improvement, priority improvement, and turnaround plans received
31 pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406.

32 (b) The institute shall submit the adopted institute improvement
33 plan to the department for publication on the data portal and shall ensure
34 that the institute improvement plan is in effect for the institute and the
35 institute charter schools within the time frames specified by state board
36 rule. The institute shall also make copies of the institute improvement
37 plan available to members of the public upon request.

38 (3) A district improvement plan or an institute improvement plan
39 shall MUST be designed to ensure that the school district or the institute
40 improves its performance to the extent that, following completion of its
41 next annual accreditation review, the school district or the institute attains



1 a higher accreditation category. At a minimum, a district improvement
2 plan or an institute improvement plan shall:

3 **SECTION 20.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-305, amend
4 (1), (2), and (3) introductory portion as follows:

5 **22-11-305. "D" accreditation - school district or institute -**
6 **plan contents - adoption.** (1) (a) In accordance with the time frames
7 specified in state board rule, each school district that is ~~accredited with~~
8 ~~priority improvement plan~~ HAS A "D" ACCREDITATION shall annually
9 adopt and implement a district ~~priority improvement~~ plan as described in
10 subsection (3) of this section.

11 (b) The school district accountability committee for the school
12 district shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
13 district ~~priority improvement~~ plan and make recommendations to the local
14 school board concerning the contents of the district ~~priority improvement~~
15 plan. In advising and making its recommendations, the school district
16 accountability committee shall take into account and incorporate any
17 district public school ~~performance, improvement, priority improvement,~~
18 ~~or turnaround~~ plans received pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to
19 22-11-406. The local school board shall create and adopt the district
20 ~~priority improvement~~ plan, taking into account the advice and
21 recommendations of the school district accountability committee.

22 (c) The commissioner, subject to available appropriations, may
23 assign the state review panel to critically evaluate the district ~~priority~~
24 ~~improvement~~ plan and recommend to the commissioner modifications to
25 the plan. The commissioner may recommend to the local school board
26 modifications to the district ~~priority improvement~~ plan, taking into
27 consideration any recommendations of the state review panel.

28 (d) The local school board shall submit the adopted district
29 ~~priority improvement~~ plan to the department for publication on the data
30 portal and shall ensure that the district ~~priority improvement~~ plan is in
31 effect for the school district and the district public schools within the time
32 frames specified in state board rule. The local school board shall also
33 make copies of the district ~~priority improvement~~ plan available to
34 members of the public upon request.

35 (2)(a) If the institute is ~~accredited with priority improvement plan~~
36 HAS A "D" ACCREDITATION, the institute board shall, in accordance with
37 the time frames specified in state board rule, adopt and implement an
38 institute ~~priority improvement~~ plan as described in subsection (3) of this
39 section. In preparing the institute ~~priority improvement~~ plan, the institute
40 board shall take into account and incorporate any institute charter school
41 ~~performance, improvement, priority improvement, and turnaround~~ plans

1 received pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406.

2 (b) The commissioner, subject to available appropriations, may
3 assign the state review panel to critically evaluate the institute ~~priority~~
4 ~~improvement~~ plan and recommend to the commissioner modifications to
5 the plan. The commissioner may recommend to the institute modifications
6 to the institute ~~priority improvement~~ plan, taking into consideration any
7 recommendations of the state review panel.

8 (c) The institute shall submit the adopted institute ~~priority~~
9 ~~improvement~~ plan to the department for publication on the data portal and
10 shall ensure that the institute ~~priority improvement~~ plan is in effect for the
11 institute and the institute charter schools within the time frames specified
12 by state board rule. The institute shall also make copies of the institute
13 ~~priority improvement~~ plan available to members of the public upon
14 request.

15 (3) A district ~~priority improvement~~ plan or an institute ~~priority~~
16 ~~improvement~~ plan shall MUST be designed to ensure that the school
17 district or the institute improves its performance to the extent that,
18 following completion of its next annual accreditation review, the school
19 district or the institute attains a higher accreditation category. At a
20 minimum, a district ~~priority improvement~~ plan or an institute ~~priority~~
21 ~~improvement~~ plan shall:

22 SECTION 21. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-306, amend
23 (1), (2), (3) introductory portion, and (3) (d) (I) as follows:

24 22-11-306. "F" accreditation - school district or institute -
25 plan content - adoption. (1) (a) In accordance with the time frames
26 specified in state board rule, each school district that is ~~accredited with~~
27 ~~turnaround plan~~ HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION shall annually adopt and
28 implement a district ~~turnaround~~ plan as described in subsection (3) of this
29 section.

30 (b) The school district accountability committee for the school
31 district shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
32 district ~~turnaround~~ plan and make recommendations to the local school
33 board concerning the contents of the district ~~turnaround~~ plan. In advising
34 and making its recommendations, the school district accountability
35 committee shall take into account and incorporate any district public
36 school performance, improvement, ~~priority improvement~~, or ~~turnaround~~
37 plans received pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406. The local
38 school board shall create and adopt the district ~~turnaround~~ plan, taking
39 into account the advice and recommendations of the school district
40 accountability committee.

41 (c) Within the time frames specified in state board rule, the local

1 school board shall submit the adopted district turnaround plan to the
2 commissioner for review by the state review panel. The state review panel
3 shall critically evaluate the adopted district turnaround plan and make
4 recommendations to the commissioner and the state board concerning the
5 issues specified in section 22-11-208 (3). The commissioner may approve
6 the adopted district turnaround plan or suggest modifications to the plan,
7 taking into consideration any recommendations of the state review panel.
8 The local school board shall revise the adopted district turnaround plan,
9 if necessary, and resubmit the plan for approval within the time frames
10 specified by state board rule.

11 (d) The local school board shall submit the final, approved district
12 turnaround plan to the department for publication on the data portal and
13 shall ensure that the final, approved district turnaround plan is in effect
14 for the school district and the district public schools within the time
15 frames specified in state board rule. The local school board shall also
16 make copies of the final, approved district turnaround plan available to
17 members of the public upon request.

18 (2) (a) If the institute is ~~accredited with turnaround plan~~ HAS AN
19 "F" ACCREDITATION, the institute board shall, in accordance with the time
20 frames specified in state board rule, adopt and implement an institute
21 turnaround plan as described in subsection (3) of this section. In
22 preparing the institute turnaround plan, the institute board shall take into
23 account and incorporate any institute charter school performance,
24 improvement, priority improvement, and turnaround plans received
25 pursuant to sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406.

26 (b) Within the time frames specified in state board rule, the
27 institute shall submit the adopted institute turnaround plan to the
28 commissioner for review by the state review panel. The state review panel
29 shall critically evaluate the adopted institute turnaround plan and make
30 recommendations to the commissioner and the state board concerning the
31 issues specified in section 22-11-208 (3). The commissioner shall approve
32 the adopted institute turnaround plan or suggest modifications to the plan,
33 taking into consideration any recommendations of the state review panel.
34 The institute shall revise the adopted institute turnaround plan, if
35 necessary, and resubmit the plan for approval within the time frames
36 specified by state board rule.

37 (c) The institute shall submit the final, approved institute
38 turnaround plan to the department for publication on the data portal and
39 shall ensure that the final, approved institute turnaround plan is in effect
40 for the institute and the institute charter schools within the time frames
41 specified by state board rule. The institute shall also make copies of the

1 final, approved institute turnaround plan available to members of the
2 public upon request.

3 (3) A district turnaround plan or an institute turnaround plan shall
4 MUST be designed to ensure that the school district or the institute
5 improves its performance to the extent that, following completion of its
6 next annual accreditation review, the school district or the institute attains
7 a higher accreditation category. At a minimum, a district turnaround plan
8 or an institute turnaround plan shall:

9 (d) Identify specific, research-based strategies that are appropriate
10 in scope, intensity, and type to address the needs and issues identified
11 pursuant to paragraph (c) of this subsection (3), which strategies shall, at
12 a minimum, include one or more of the following:

13 (I) Employing a lead turnaround partner that uses research-based
14 strategies and has a proven record of success working with schools under
15 similar circumstances, which turnaround partner shall be immersed in all
16 aspects of developing and collaboratively executing the turnaround plan
17 and shall serve as a liaison to other school partners;

18 **SECTION 22.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 22-11-307
19 as follows:

20 **22-11-307. Accreditation of public schools.** (1) The local school
21 board for each school district shall adopt policies for accreditation of the
22 district public schools. The institute board shall adopt policies for
23 accreditation of the institute charter schools. Each school district's and the
24 institute's school accreditation policies, at a minimum, shall include:

25 (a) The use of accreditation contracts that are comparable to the
26 accreditation contract between a school district or the institute and the
27 state board, as described in section 22-11-206; AND

28 ~~(b) Accreditation categories that are comparable to the~~
29 ~~accreditation categories for school districts and the institute specified in~~
30 ~~section 22-11-207;~~

31 ~~(c) Determination of a public school's accreditation category~~
32 ~~based on the public school's level of attainment of the performance~~
33 ~~indicators; and~~

34 ~~(d) (b) Adoption and implementation of school performance,~~
35 ~~improvement, priority improvement, and turnaround plans as required by~~
36 ~~PLANS, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 22-11-403 TO 22-11-406, BASED ON~~
37 ~~THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY the state board ASSIGNS TO EACH PUBLIC~~
38 ~~SCHOOL pursuant to section 22-11-210 (1). and as described in sections~~
39 ~~22-11-403 to 22-11-406.~~

40 (2) In adopting its school accreditation policies, a local school
41 board or the institute board may choose to be more rigorous in



1 expectations and in the imposition of remedial actions than the system for
2 accreditation of school districts and the institute specified in the
3 provisions of part 2 of this article and the rules adopted pursuant to said
4 part 2.

5 (2.5) In adopting its school accreditation policies for its on-line
6 programs and on-line schools, as defined in sections 22-30.7-102 (9) and
7 22-30.7-102 (9.5), a local school board or the institute board shall include
8 a review of the on-line program's or school's alignment to the quality
9 standards outlined in section 22-30.7-105 (3) (b).

10 (3) Each local school board shall annually assign ADOPT A SCHOOL
11 PLAN FOR each of its district public schools to an accreditation category
12 that correlates with the type of plan that the department determines,
13 pursuant to section 22-11-210, the district public school is required to
14 adopt THAT CORRELATES TO THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY THE STATE
15 BOARD ASSIGNS TO EACH OF THE DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOLS. The institute
16 shall annually assign ADOPT A SCHOOL PLAN FOR each institute charter
17 school to an accreditation category that correlates with the type of plan
18 that the department determines, pursuant to section 22-11-210, the
19 institute charter school is required to adopt THAT CORRELATES TO THE
20 ACCREDITATION CATEGORY THE STATE BOARD ASSIGNS TO EACH OF THE
21 INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOLS.

22 (4) If, pursuant to section 22-11-210 (5) 22-11-210 (6), the state
23 board directs a local school board or the institute to restructure or close
24 a public school, the local school board or the institute shall work with the
25 department to implement the state board's directions.

26 **SECTION 23.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-402, amend
27 (1) (b), (1) (c), and (1) (d) as follows:

28 **22-11-402. School accountability committee - powers and**
29 **duties - meetings.** (1) Each school accountability committee shall have
30 the following powers and duties:

31 (b) To advise the principal of the public school and, in the case of
32 a district public school, the superintendent of the school district
33 concerning the preparation of a school performance or improvement plan;
34 if either is required PLAN IF THE SCHOOL HAS AN "A", "B", OR "C"
35 ACCREDITATION pursuant to section 22-11-210, and to submit
36 recommendations to the principal, and superintendent if applicable,
37 concerning the contents of the performance or improvement plan;

38 (c) To advise the local school board or the institute concerning the
39 preparation of a school priority improvement or turnaround plan, if either
40 is required PLAN IF THE SCHOOL HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION
41 pursuant to section 22-11-210, and to submit recommendations to the



1 local school board or the institute concerning the contents of the priority
2 improvement or turnaround plan;

3 (d) To meet at least quarterly to discuss whether school
4 leadership, personnel, and infrastructure are advancing or impeding
5 implementation of the public school's performance, improvement, priority
6 improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is applicable, or other
7 progress pertinent to the public school's accreditation contract with the
8 local school board or the institute;

9 **SECTION 24.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-403, amend
10 (1), (2), (3) introductory portion, and (4) as follows:

11 **22-11-403. "A" accreditation - school plan - contents.** (1) (a) If
12 the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs a district public~~
13 ~~school to adopt a performance plan~~ ASSIGNS AN "A" ACCREDITATION TO
14 A DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL, the school principal and the school district
15 superintendent, or his or her designee, in accordance with time frames
16 specified in state board rules, shall adopt a school performance plan as
17 described in subsection (3) of this section for the district public school.

18 (b) The school accountability committee for the district public
19 school shall advise the principal concerning preparation of the
20 performance SCHOOL plan and make recommendations to the principal
21 concerning the contents of the school performance plan. The principal,
22 with the approval of the superintendent or his or her designee, shall create
23 and adopt the school performance plan, taking into account the advice and
24 recommendations of the school accountability committee.

25 (c) The school district accountability committee shall include the
26 adopted school performance plan in the compilation prepared pursuant to
27 section 22-11-302 (1), and the local school board shall consider the
28 adopted school performance plan in developing the budget required by
29 section 22-44-108. The principal and the superintendent or his or her
30 designee shall ensure that the school performance plan is in effect for the
31 district public school within the time frames established in state board
32 rules.

33 (2) (a) If the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs an~~
34 ~~institute charter school to adopt a performance plan~~ ASSIGNS AN "A"
35 ACCREDITATION TO AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, the school principal,
36 in accordance with time frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt
37 a school performance plan as described in subsection (3) of this section
38 for the institute charter school.

39 (b) The school accountability committee for the institute charter
40 school shall advise the principal concerning preparation of the
41 performance SCHOOL plan and make recommendations to the principal

1 concerning the contents of the school performance plan. The principal
2 shall create and adopt the school performance plan, taking into account
3 the advice and recommendations of the school accountability committee.

4 (c) The institute shall include the adopted school performance
5 plan in the compilation prepared pursuant to section 22-11-303 (2) (b).
6 The principal shall ensure that the school performance plan is in effect for
7 the institute charter school within the time frames established in state
8 board rules.

9 (3) A school performance plan shall MUST be designed to raise the
10 academic performance of students enrolled in the public school and to
11 ensure that the public school, following the next annual performance
12 review, ~~attains a higher accreditation category or remains in the same~~
13 ~~accreditation category. if the public school is already accredited by the~~
14 ~~school district or the institute at the highest level.~~ At a minimum, each
15 school performance plan shall:

16 (4) The local school board, on behalf of a district public school,
17 or the institute, on behalf of an institute charter school, shall submit the
18 school performance plan to the department for publication on the data
19 portal. The public school shall make copies of the school performance
20 plan available to members of the public upon request.

21 **SECTION 25.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-404, **amend**
22 (1), (2), (3) introductory portion, and (4) as follows:

23 **22-11-404. "B" or "C" accreditation - school plan - contents.**

24 (1) (a) If the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs a district~~
25 ~~public school to adopt an improvement plan~~ ASSIGNS A "B" OR "C"
26 ACCREDITATION TO A PUBLIC SCHOOL, the school principal and the school
27 district superintendent, or his or her designee, in accordance with time
28 frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt a school improvement
29 plan, as described in subsection (3) of this section, for the district public
30 school.

31 (b) The school accountability committee for the district public
32 school shall advise the principal concerning preparation of the school
33 improvement plan and shall make recommendations to the principal
34 concerning the contents of the school improvement plan. The principal,
35 with the approval of the superintendent or his or her designee, shall create
36 and adopt the school improvement plan, taking into account the advice
37 and recommendations of the school accountability committee. Prior to
38 adopting the school improvement plan, the principal shall hold a public
39 hearing to review the plan as required in section 22-32-142 (2).

40 (c) The school district accountability committee shall include the
41 adopted school improvement plan in the compilation prepared pursuant

1 to section 22-11-302 (1), and the local school board shall consider the
2 adopted school improvement plan in developing the budget required by
3 section 22-44-108. The principal and the superintendent, or his or her
4 designee, shall ensure that the school improvement plan is in effect for
5 the district public school within the time frames established in state board
6 rules.

7 (2)(a) If the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs an~~
8 ~~institute charter school to adopt an improvement plan~~ ASSIGNS A "B" OR
9 "C" ACCREDITATION TO AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, the school
10 principal, in accordance with time frames specified in state board rules,
11 shall adopt a school improvement plan, as described in subsection (3) of
12 this section, for the institute charter school.

13 (b) The school accountability committee for the institute charter
14 school shall advise the principal concerning preparation of the school
15 improvement plan and shall make recommendations to the principal
16 concerning the contents of the school improvement plan. The principal
17 shall create and adopt the school improvement plan, taking into account
18 the advice and recommendations of the school accountability committee.
19 Prior to adopting the school improvement plan, the principal shall hold a
20 public hearing to review the plan as required in section 22-30.5-520 (2).

21 (c) The institute shall include the adopted school improvement
22 plan in the compilation prepared pursuant to section 22-11-303 (2) (b).
23 The principal shall ensure that the school improvement plan is in effect
24 for the institute charter school within the time frames established in state
25 board rules.

26 (3) A school improvement plan shall be designed to raise the
27 academic performance of students enrolled in the public school and to
28 ensure that the public school, following the next annual performance
29 review, attains a higher accreditation category. At a minimum, each
30 school improvement plan shall:

31 (4) The local school board, on behalf of a district public school,
32 or the institute, on behalf of an institute charter school, shall submit the
33 school improvement plan to the department for publication on the data
34 portal. The public school shall make copies of the school improvement
35 plan available to members of the public upon request.

36 **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-405, **amend**
37 (1), (2), (3), (4) introductory portion, and (5) as follows:

38 **22-11-405. "D" accreditation - school plan - contents.** (1)(a) If
39 the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs a district public~~
40 ~~school to adopt a priority improvement plan~~ ASSIGNS A "D"
41 ACCREDITATION TO A DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL, the local school board, in



1 accordance with time frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt a
2 school ~~priority improvement~~ plan, as described in subsection (4) of this
3 section, for the district public school.

4 (b) The school accountability committee for the district public
5 school shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
6 school ~~priority improvement~~ plan and shall make recommendations to the
7 local school board concerning the contents of the school ~~priority~~
8 ~~improvement~~ plan. The local school board shall create and adopt the
9 school ~~priority improvement~~ plan, taking into account the advice and
10 recommendations of the school accountability committee. Prior to
11 adopting the school ~~priority improvement~~ plan, the local school board
12 shall hold a public hearing to review the plan as required in section
13 22-32-142 (2).

14 (c) The school district accountability committee shall include the
15 adopted school ~~priority improvement~~ plan in the compilation prepared
16 pursuant to section 22-11-302 (1), and the local school board shall
17 consider the adopted school ~~priority improvement~~ plan in developing the
18 budget required by section 22-44-108. The local school board shall ensure
19 that the school ~~priority improvement~~ plan is in effect for the district
20 public school within the time frames established in state board rules.

21 (2) (a) If the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs an~~
22 ~~institute charter school to adopt a priority improvement plan~~ ASSIGNS A
23 "D" ACCREDITATION TO AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, the institute, in
24 accordance with time frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt a
25 school ~~priority improvement~~ plan, as described in subsection (4) of this
26 section, for the institute charter school.

27 (b) The school accountability committee for the institute charter
28 school shall advise the institute concerning preparation of the school
29 ~~priority improvement~~ plan and shall make recommendations to the
30 institute concerning the contents of the school ~~priority improvement~~ plan.
31 The institute shall create and adopt the school ~~priority improvement~~ plan,
32 taking into account the advice and recommendations of the school
33 accountability committee. Prior to adopting the school ~~priority~~
34 ~~improvement~~ plan, the institute shall hold a public hearing to review the
35 plan as required in section 22-30.5-520 (2).

36 (c) The institute shall include the adopted school ~~priority~~
37 ~~improvement~~ plan in the compilation prepared pursuant to section
38 22-11-303 (2) (b). The institute shall ensure that the school ~~priority~~
39 ~~improvement~~ plan is in effect for the institute charter school within the
40 time frames established in state board rules.

41 (3) The commissioner, subject to available appropriations, may

1 assign the state review panel to critically evaluate a public school's
2 ~~priority-improvement~~ plan and report to the commissioner any
3 recommended modifications to the plan. The commissioner may
4 recommend to the local school board or the institute modifications to the
5 school ~~priority-improvement~~ plan, taking into consideration any
6 recommendations of the state review panel.

7 (4) A school ~~priority-improvement~~ plan shall be designed to
8 ensure that the public school improves its performance to the extent that,
9 following completion of the public school's next annual performance
10 review, the public school attains a higher accreditation category. At a
11 minimum, a school ~~priority-improvement~~ plan shall:

12 (5) The local school board, on behalf of a district public school,
13 or the institute, on behalf of an institute charter school, shall submit the
14 school ~~priority-improvement~~ plan to the department for publication on the
15 data portal. The public school shall make copies of the school ~~priority~~
16 ~~improvement~~ plan available to members of the public upon request.

17 **SECTION 27.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-406, **amend**
18 (1), (2), (3) introductory portion, (3) (d) (I), and (4) as follows:

19 **22-11-406. "F" accreditation - school plan - contents.** (1)(a) If
20 the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs a district public~~
21 ~~school to adopt a turnaround plan~~ ASSIGNS AN "F" ACCREDITATION TO A
22 DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL, the local school board, in accordance with time
23 frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt a school ~~turnaround~~ plan,
24 as described in subsection (3) of this section, for the district public
25 school. Each district public school ~~turnaround~~ plan shall also be subject
26 to evaluation by the state review panel and may be subject to revisions
27 requested by the commissioner as provided in this subsection (1).

28 (b) The school accountability committee for the district public
29 school shall advise the local school board concerning preparation of the
30 school ~~turnaround~~ plan and shall make recommendations to the local
31 school board concerning the contents of the school ~~turnaround~~ plan. The
32 local school board shall create and adopt the school ~~turnaround~~ plan,
33 taking into account the advice and recommendations of the school
34 accountability committee. Prior to adopting the school ~~turnaround~~ plan,
35 the local school board shall hold a public hearing to review the plan as
36 required in section 22-32-142 (2).

37 (c) Within the time frames specified in state board rule, the local
38 school board shall submit the adopted school ~~turnaround~~ plan to the
39 commissioner for evaluation by the state review panel. The state review
40 panel shall critically evaluate the adopted school ~~turnaround~~ plan and
41 make recommendations to the commissioner and the state board



1 concerning the issues specified in section 22-11-210 (5). The
2 commissioner may suggest modifications to the plan, taking into
3 consideration any recommendations of the state review panel and may
4 require that those plan modifications be made prior to the date when the
5 state board enters into an accreditation contract with the district pursuant
6 to section 22-11-206. The local school board shall revise the school
7 turnaround plan, if necessary, and resubmit the plan for approval within
8 the time frames specified in state board rule. The local school board shall
9 ensure that the final, approved school turnaround plan is in effect for the
10 district public school within the time frames specified in state board rule.

11 (d) The school district accountability committee shall include the
12 final, approved school turnaround plan in the compilation prepared
13 pursuant to section 22-11-302 (1), and the local school board shall
14 consider the final, approved school turnaround plan in developing the
15 budget required by section 22-44-108.

16 (e) The local school board shall submit the final, approved school
17 turnaround plan to the department for publication on the data portal. The
18 district public school shall make copies of the final, approved school
19 turnaround plan available to members of the public upon request.

20 (2) (a) If the state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210, ~~directs an~~
21 ~~institute charter school to adopt a turnaround plan~~ ASSIGNS AN "F"
22 ACCREDITATION TO AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL, the institute, in
23 accordance with time frames specified in state board rules, shall adopt a
24 school turnaround plan, as described in subsection (3) of this section, for
25 the institute charter school. Each institute charter school turnaround plan
26 shall also be subject to evaluation by the state review panel and may be
27 subject to revisions requested by the commissioner as provided in this
28 subsection (2).

29 (b) The school accountability committee for the institute charter
30 school shall advise the institute concerning preparation of the school
31 turnaround plan and shall make recommendations to the institute
32 concerning the contents of the school turnaround plan. The institute shall
33 create and adopt the school turnaround plan, taking into account the
34 advice and recommendations of the school accountability committee.
35 Prior to adopting the school turnaround plan, the institute shall hold a
36 public hearing to review the plan as required in section 22-30.5-520 (2).

37 (c) Within the time frames specified in state board rule, the
38 institute shall submit the adopted school turnaround plan to the
39 commissioner for evaluation by the state review panel. The state review
40 panel shall critically evaluate the adopted school turnaround plan and
41 make recommendations to the commissioner and the state board

1 concerning the issues specified in section 22-11-210 (5). The
2 commissioner may suggest modifications to the plan, taking into
3 consideration any recommendations of the state review panel and may
4 require that those plan modifications be made prior to the date when the
5 state board enters into an accreditation contract with the institute pursuant
6 to section 22-11-206. The institute shall revise the school turnaround
7 plan, if necessary, and resubmit the plan for approval within the time
8 frames specified in state board rule. The institute shall ensure that the
9 final, approved school turnaround plan is in effect for the institute charter
10 school within the time frames specified in state board rule.

11 (d) The institute shall include the final, approved school
12 turnaround plan in the compilation prepared pursuant to section
13 22-11-303 (2) (b). The institute shall submit the final, approved school
14 turnaround plan to the department for publication on the data portal. The
15 institute charter school shall make copies of the final, approved school
16 turnaround plan available to members of the public upon request.

17 (3) A school turnaround plan shall be designed to ensure that the
18 public school improves its performance to the extent that, following
19 completion of the public school's next annual performance review, the
20 public school attains a higher accreditation category. At a minimum, a
21 school turnaround plan shall:

22 (d) Identify specific, research-based strategies that are appropriate
23 in scope, intensity, and type to address the needs and issues identified
24 pursuant to paragraph (c) of this subsection (3), which strategies shall, at
25 a minimum, include one or more of the following:

26 (I) Employing a lead turnaround partner that uses research-based
27 strategies and has a proven record of success working with schools under
28 similar circumstances, which turnaround partner shall be immersed in all
29 aspects of developing and collaboratively executing the turnaround plan
30 and shall serve as a liaison to other school partners;

31 (4) The general assembly may appropriate such moneys as are
32 available to assist school districts and the institute in improving the
33 academic growth of students in public schools that are required to adopt
34 school turnaround plans HAVE AN "F" ACCREDITATION. In addition, the
35 department may allocate any moneys received pursuant to the federal "No
36 Child Left Behind Act of 2001", 20 U.S.C. sec. 6301 et seq., for such
37 purpose.

38 **SECTION 28.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-502, amend
39 (2) (c), (2) (d), (2) (e), and (2) (f) as follows:

40 **22-11-502. Data portal - creation - contents.** (2) At a minimum,
41 the department shall publish on the data portal the following items:



1 (c) The accreditation category, with supporting data, for each
2 public school in the state, as determined by the local school board or the
3 institute, ~~whichever is applicable~~ STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION
4 22-11-210;

5 (d) For each public school in the state, the school performance;
6 improvement, ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is~~
7 ~~appropriate based on the state board's direction pursuant to section~~
8 ~~22-11-210~~ BASED ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION CATEGORY;

9 (e) For each school district in the state, the district performance;
10 improvement, ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is~~
11 ~~appropriate based on the school district's accreditation category; and~~

12 (f) For the institute, the institute performance, improvement,
13 ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is appropriate based~~
14 ~~on the institute's accreditation category.~~

15 **SECTION 29.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-504, **amend**
16 (1) (b) and (2) (b); and **repeal** (1) (c) and (2) (c) as follows:

17 **22-11-504. School district and institute reporting**
18 **requirements.** (1) Each school district shall annually report to the
19 department for each of the district public schools:

20 (b) For each district public school, the school performance;
21 improvement, ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is~~
22 ~~appropriate~~ ADOPTED based on the ~~direction from~~ ACCREDITATION
23 CATEGORY THAT the state board ASSIGNS pursuant to section 22-11-210;
24 AND

25 ~~(c) The accreditation category, with supporting data, for each~~
26 ~~district public school; and~~

27 (2) The institute shall annually report to the department for each
28 institute charter school:

29 (b) For each institute charter school, the school performance;
30 improvement, ~~priority improvement, or turnaround plan whichever is~~
31 ~~appropriate~~ ADOPTED based on the ~~direction from~~ ACCREDITATION
32 CATEGORY THAT the state board ASSIGNS pursuant to section 22-11-210;
33 AND

34 ~~(c) The accreditation category, with supporting data, for each~~
35 ~~institute charter school; and~~

36 **SECTION 30.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-1-122, **amend**
37 (1) (a), (2) (b) (III), (2) (b) (IV), (3), (4), and (6) (a) as follows:

38 **22-1-122. Transportation token program - legislative**
39 **declaration - eligibility - fund.** (1) (a) It is the intent of the general
40 assembly in enacting this section to improve opportunities for students to
41 gain the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful experience in

1 postsecondary education or as members of the work force. The general
2 assembly finds that a student should not be compelled by the lack of
3 transportation to remain in a school that is ~~required to implement a~~
4 ~~priority improvement or turnaround plan pursuant to section 22-11-405~~
5 ~~or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION or is
6 subject to restructuring pursuant to section 22-11-210. It is therefore in
7 the best interests of the citizens of the state to make transportation tokens
8 available to eligible students to enable them to attend a public school that
9 is ~~not required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan~~
10 ~~pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ DOES NOT HAVE
11 A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION and that the school district has identified as
12 an available choice.

13 (2) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

14 (b) "Eligible student" means a student:

15 (III) (A) Who is enrolled in a neighborhood school that is ~~required~~
16 ~~to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan pursuant to~~
17 ~~section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ HAS A "D" OR "F"
18 ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section
19 22-11-210; or

20 (B) Who has been in attendance elsewhere in the public school
21 system or who is entering first grade and whose parent or legal guardian
22 has been notified that the student has been assigned to a school that is
23 ~~required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan~~
24 ~~pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ HAS A "D" OR
25 "F" ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section
26 22-11-210; and

27 (IV) Who, while enrolled in the neighborhood school that is
28 ~~required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan~~
29 ~~pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ HAS A "D" OR
30 "F" ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section
31 22-11-210, met the attendance policies of the school district of the
32 neighborhood school, adopted pursuant to section 22-33-104 (4).

33 (3) (a) There is hereby created in the department the transportation
34 token program, referred to in this section as the "program", to assist a
35 parent or legal guardian of an eligible student in transporting the student
36 to a public school, other than a neighborhood public school, which other
37 school is ~~not required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround~~
38 ~~plan pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively;~~ DOES NOT
39 HAVE A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION and which other school has been
40 identified by the school district as an available choice. Pursuant to rules
41 adopted by the state board, the parent or legal guardian of an eligible



1 student may apply to the program to receive a transportation token for use
2 in transporting the student to the nearest of said public schools that is not
3 a neighborhood school.

4 (b) An eligible student shall continue receiving transportation
5 tokens pursuant to this section so long as he or she continues to meet the
6 requirements specified for an eligible student in paragraph (b) of
7 subsection (2) of this section; except that, after the first year in which an
8 eligible student receives transportation tokens, the requirement specified
9 in subparagraph (III) of paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of this section
10 shall no longer apply. An eligible student shall no longer receive
11 transportation tokens pursuant to this section if he or she moves to
12 another residence, the neighborhood school for which ~~was required to~~
13 ~~implement a performance or improvement plan pursuant to section~~
14 ~~22-11-403 or 22-11-404, respectively; HAD AN "A", "B", OR "C"~~
15 ~~ACCREDITATION~~ during the school year preceding the year in which the
16 student initially enrolls; except that the eligible student may receive
17 transportation tokens in school years following initial enrollment in the
18 new neighborhood school if he or she again meets the requirements
19 specified for an eligible student in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of this
20 section.

21 (4) The state board shall determine a monetary value for the
22 transportation token issued at each public school that ~~is required to~~
23 ~~implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan pursuant to section~~
24 ~~22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively; HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION~~
25 ~~or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section 22-11-210.~~ The monetary
26 value may cover a portion of the transportation costs. The transportation
27 token may take the form of, but is not limited to, subsidized tokens,
28 passes, or fares for buses, taxis, or other forms of transportation approved
29 by the state board. In determining the value of a transportation token, the
30 state board shall take into account the various transportation options
31 available to the eligible student and the distance to be traveled by the
32 eligible student to attend a public school outside of the student's
33 neighborhood. The transportation token used by an eligible student shall
34 be redeemable by a transportation provider through the department.

35 (6) (a) The department shall ensure that for each eligible student
36 the school district of the neighborhood school shall:

37 (I) Timely notify the eligible student's parent or legal guardian of
38 all options available pursuant to this section as soon as the neighborhood
39 school ~~is required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround~~
40 ~~plan pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively; RECEIVES~~
41 ~~A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION~~ or is subject to restructuring pursuant to



1 section 22-11-210; and

2 (II) Offer each eligible student's parent or legal guardian an
3 opportunity to enroll the student in another public school within the
4 district that ~~is not required to implement a priority improvement or~~
5 ~~turnaround plan pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively,~~
6 DOES NOT HAVE A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION and that the school district
7 has identified as an available choice.

8 **SECTION 31.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-502, **amend**
9 (2) as follows:

10 **22-2-502. Definitions.** As used in this part 5, unless the context
11 otherwise requires:

12 (2) "Low-performing, high-needs school" means a school that is
13 required to submit a priority improvement or turnaround plan HAS A "D"
14 OR "F" ACCREDITATION pursuant to section 22-11-210.

15 **SECTION 32.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-504, **amend**
16 (2) as follows:

17 **22-2-504. National board for professional teaching and**
18 **principal standards certification compensation - study.** (2) Beginning
19 with the 2009-10 school year, subject to available appropriations, an
20 additional annual stipend of three thousand two hundred dollars shall be
21 awarded to any teacher or principal who meets the criteria set forth in
22 subsection (1) of this section and who is employed as of May 1 in a given
23 school year in a low-performing, high-needs school. Subject to available
24 appropriations, a teacher or principal shall continue to receive the
25 additional stipend award pursuant to this subsection (2) if he or she
26 remains employed in a school that was previously a low-performing,
27 high-needs school but improved sufficiently to ~~implement an~~
28 ~~improvement or performance plan~~ RECEIVE AN "A", "B", OR "C"
29 ACCREDITATION pursuant to section 22-11-210. The additional stipend for
30 such teachers and principals shall be subject to the same restrictions and
31 requirements as set forth in subsection (1) of this section.

32 **SECTION 33.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-7-604.5, **amend**
33 (2.5) (a); and **repeal** (2.5) (b) as follows:

34 **22-7-604.5. Alternative education campuses - criteria -**
35 **application - rule-making.** (2.5) (a) The department shall annually
36 review the performance of each alternative education campus based on
37 the criteria specified by rule of the state board pursuant to section
38 22-11-210 (1) (b) and shall recommend to the commissioner and the state
39 board ~~whether~~ THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY IN WHICH the alternative
40 education campus shall ~~adopt a performance, improvement, priority~~
41 ~~improvement, or turnaround plan, as said plans are described in sections~~



1 22-11-403 to 22-11-406 BE PLACED. Based on the recommendations, the
2 state board, pursuant to section 22-11-210 (2), shall notify each
3 alternative education campus and its district school board, or the institute
4 if the alternative education campus is an institute charter school, of the
5 type of plan the alternative education campus shall adopt ACCREDITATION
6 CATEGORY ASSIGNED TO THE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CAMPUS. In
7 adopting its SCHOOL plan, each alternative education campus shall comply
8 with the provisions of sections 22-11-403 to 22-11-406, as applicable.

9 (b) ~~The district school board for an alternative education campus~~
10 ~~or the institute, if the alternative education campus is an institute charter~~
11 ~~school, shall specify the accreditation category for the alternative~~
12 ~~education campus in accordance with the accreditation process adopted~~
13 ~~by the district school board or the institute pursuant to section 22-11-307.~~

14 **SECTION 34.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-27.5-102,
15 **amend** (7) as follows:

16 **22-27.5-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the
17 context otherwise requires:

18 (7) "Qualified school" means a public school, including but not
19 limited to a charter school, that serves any of grades six through twelve
20 and that is required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround
21 plan pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively, HAS A "D"
22 OR "F" ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section
23 22-11-210 for the school year in which the public school seeks a grant
24 through the grant program.

25 **SECTION 35.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-104,
26 **amend** (2) (b) as follows:

27 **22-30.5-104. Charter school - requirements - authority.**
28 (2) (b) A charter school ~~shall be~~ IS a public school of the school district
29 that approves its charter application and enters into a charter contract with
30 the charter school. In accordance with the requirement of section 15 of
31 article IX of the state constitution, the charter school ~~shall be~~ IS subject
32 to THE accreditation POLICIES ADOPTED by the school district's local board
33 of education pursuant to the school district's policy for accrediting the
34 public schools of the school district adopted pursuant to section
35 22-11-307 and section 22-32-109 (1) (mm). The charter school ~~shall also~~
36 ~~be~~ IS ALSO subject to annual review by the department AND ASSIGNMENT
37 OF AN ACCREDITATION CATEGORY BY THE STATE BOARD pursuant to
38 section 22-11-210.

39 **SECTION 36.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-110,
40 **amend** (1) (b) and (3.5) as follows:

41 **22-30.5-110. Charter schools - term - renewal of charter -**

1 **grounds for nonrenewal or revocation.** (1) (b) During the term of a
2 charter, the school district shall annually review the charter school's
3 performance. At a minimum, the review includes the charter school's
4 progress in meeting the objectives identified in the plan the charter school
5 is required to implement BASED ON ITS ACCREDITATION CATEGORY
6 ASSIGNED pursuant to section 22-11-210 and OBJECTIVES BASED ON the
7 results of the charter school's most recent annual financial audit. The
8 school district shall provide to the charter school written feedback from
9 the review and shall include the results of the charter school's annual
10 review in the body of evidence that the local board of education takes into
11 account in deciding whether to renew or revoke the charter and that
12 supports the renegotiation of the charter contract.

13 (3.5) If a charter school is ~~required to implement a turnaround~~
14 ~~plan pursuant to section 22-11-210 (2)~~ HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION for a
15 second consecutive school year, the charter school shall present to its
16 authorizing local board of education, in addition to the ~~turnaround~~
17 ~~SCHOOL'S~~ plan ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-406, a summary of
18 the changes made by the charter school to improve its performance, the
19 progress made in implementing the changes, and evidence, as requested
20 by the local board of education, that the charter school is making
21 sufficient improvement to attain a higher accreditation category within
22 two school years or sooner. If the local board of education finds that the
23 charter school's evidence of improvement is not sufficient or if the charter
24 school is ~~required to implement a turnaround plan~~ RECEIVES AN "F"
25 ACCREDITATION for a third consecutive school year, the local board of
26 education may revoke the school's charter.

27 **SECTION 37.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-304,
28 **amend** (1) (e) (II) and (1) (f) (II) as follows:

29 **22-30.5-304. Review committee - membership -**
30 **recommendations.** (1) Whenever an independent charter school is to be
31 organized pursuant to this part 3, on or before the date specified by rule
32 adopted by the state board in accordance with section 22-30.5-303 (2) (b),
33 the commissioner shall cause a review committee to be formed. The
34 review committee shall consist of:

35 (e) (II) In appointing a principal pursuant to this paragraph (e), the
36 governor shall appoint a principal of a public school that ~~received the~~
37 ~~highest possible accreditation rating pursuant to the accreditation policy~~
38 ~~implemented pursuant to section 22-11-307 by the public school's local~~
39 ~~board of education or by the state charter school institute, whichever is~~
40 ~~applicable;~~ HAD AN "A" ACCREDITATION for the immediately preceding
41 school year.

1 (f) (II) In appointing a teacher pursuant to this paragraph (f), the
2 governor shall appoint a teacher from a public school that received the
3 highest possible accreditation rating pursuant to the accreditation policy
4 implemented pursuant to section 22-11-307 by the public school's local
5 board of education or by the state charter school institute, whichever is
6 applicable HAD AN "A" ACCREDITATION FOR THE IMMEDIATELY
7 PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR; and

8 **SECTION 38.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-306,
9 **amend** (3) (b) as follows:

10 **22-30.5-306. Independent charter schools - charter - term.**
11 (3)(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection
12 (3), if, during the year prior to the year in which the independent charter
13 school is to open, the school is ~~required to implement a priority~~
14 ~~improvement plan, an improvement plan, or a performance plan pursuant~~
15 ~~to section 22-11-405, 22-11-404, or 22-11-403, respectively~~ RECEIVES A
16 "D" ACCREDITATION OR HIGHER PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-210, the
17 local board of education and the applicant may jointly agree to allow the
18 school to remain under the administration of the local board of education.

19 **SECTION 39.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-307,
20 **amend** (1) and (2) as follows:

21 **22-30.5-307. Independent charter schools - expiration -**
22 **renewal - conversion.** (1) If an independent charter school is required
23 RECEIVES AN "F" ACCREDITATION pursuant to section 22-11-210 to
24 ~~implement a turnaround plan~~ during the third year of the school's
25 independent charter, the state board shall issue a new request for
26 proposals pursuant to section 22-30.5-303 (2), and a new independent
27 charter school application process shall commence.

28 (2) If an independent charter school is ~~required to implement a~~
29 ~~priority improvement plan, improvement plan, or performance plan~~
30 ~~pursuant to section 22-11-405, 22-11-404, or 22-11-403, respectively,~~
31 RECEIVES A "D" ACCREDITATION OR HIGHER PURSUANT TO SECTION
32 22-11-210 during the third year of the school's independent charter, the
33 parents and legal guardians of the students enrolled at the independent
34 charter school shall decide by majority vote whether, at the expiration of
35 the independent charter school's charter, the school shall apply for a
36 renewal of the independent charter or shall seek to become a regular
37 school of the school district in which the independent charter school is
38 located.

39 **SECTION 40.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-507,
40 **amend** (2) introductory portion and (2) (c) as follows:

41 **22-30.5-507. Institute charter school - requirements -**

1 **authority - rules.** (2) An institute charter school shall be IS:

2 (c) Subject to THE accreditation POLICIES FOR INSTITUTE CHARTER
3 SCHOOLS ADOPTED by the institute board pursuant to ~~the institute's policy~~
4 ~~for accrediting the institute charter schools adopted pursuant to section~~
5 22-11-307 and section 22-30.5-505 (3) (b). Each institute charter school
6 ~~shall also be~~ IS ALSO subject to annual review by the department AND
7 ASSIGNMENT OF AN ACCREDITATION CATEGORY BY THE STATE BOARD
8 pursuant to section 22-11-210.

9 **SECTION 41.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-511,
10 **amend** (2), (3) (c), and (4.5) as follows:

11 **22-30.5-511. Institute charter schools - term - renewal of**
12 **contract - grounds for nonrenewal or revocation - appeal.** (2) During
13 the term of a charter contract, the institute shall annually review the
14 institute charter school's performance. At a minimum, the review includes
15 the institute charter school's progress in meeting the objectives identified
16 in the INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL'S plan ~~the institute charter school is~~
17 ~~required to implement~~ BASED ON THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY
18 ASSIGNED pursuant to section 22-11-210 and OBJECTIVES BASED ON the
19 results of the institute charter school's most recent annual financial audit.
20 The institute shall provide to the institute charter school written feedback
21 from the review and shall include the results of the institute charter
22 school's annual review in the body of evidence that the institute board
23 takes into account in deciding whether to renew or revoke the charter
24 contract and that supports the renegotiation of the charter contract.

25 (3) The institute board may revoke or deny renewal of a charter
26 contract if the institute board determines that the institute charter school
27 did any of the following:

28 (c) ~~Was required to adopt a turnaround plan~~ RECEIVED AN "F"
29 ACCREDITATION and the state board recommended pursuant to section
30 22-11-210 that the institute charter school be restructured;

31 (4.5) If an institute charter school ~~is required to implement a~~
32 ~~turnaround plan~~ RECEIVES AN "F" ACCREDITATION pursuant to section
33 22-11-210 (3) for a second consecutive school year, the institute charter
34 school shall present to the institute board, in addition to the INSTITUTE
35 CHARTER SCHOOL'S ~~turnaround plan~~ REQUIRED BY SECTION 22-11-406, a
36 summary of the changes made by the institute charter school to improve
37 its performance, the progress made in implementing the changes, and
38 evidence, as requested by the institute board, that the institute charter
39 school is making sufficient improvement to attain a higher accreditation
40 category within two school years or sooner. If the institute board finds
41 that the institute charter school's evidence of improvement is not

1 sufficient or if the institute charter school is required to implement a
2 ~~turnaround plan~~ RECEIVES AN "F" ACCREDITATION for a third consecutive
3 school year, the institute board may revoke the school's charter contract.

4 **SECTION 42.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-520,
5 **amend** (2) as follows:

6 **22-30.5-520. Parent involvement - policy - communications -**
7 **incentives.** (2) If the state board of education, pursuant to section
8 22-11-210, ~~determines that~~ ASSIGNS A "B", "C", "D", OR "F"
9 ACCREDITATION TO an institute charter school, is required to adopt and
10 implement a school improvement plan as described in section 22-11-404,
11 a school priority improvement plan as described in section 22-11-405, or
12 a school turnaround plan as described in section 22-11-406; the institute
13 charter school, within thirty days after receiving the initial notice of the
14 determination ASSIGNMENT or, if the determination ASSIGNMENT is
15 appealed, the final notice of the ~~determination~~ ASSIGNMENT, shall notify
16 the parents of the students enrolled in the school of the required plan
17 SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION CATEGORY and the issues identified by the
18 department of education as giving rise to the need for the required plan
19 IN ASSIGNING THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY. The notice shall also
20 include the timeline for developing and adopting the required plan THAT
21 THE INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT PURSUANT TO
22 SECTION 22-11-404, 22-11-405, OR 22-11-406, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE,
23 and the date, time, and location of a public hearing to be held by the
24 institute charter school or the institute, whichever is responsible for
25 adopting the plan, to review the required plan prior to final adoption. At
26 the public hearing, the institute charter school principal or the institute
27 shall also review the institute charter school's progress in implementing
28 its plan for the preceding year and in improving its performance. The date
29 of the public hearing shall be at least thirty days after the date on which
30 the institute charter school provides the written notice.

31 **SECTION 43.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.7-103,
32 **amend** (3) (m) as follows:

33 **22-30.7-103. Division of on-line learning - created - duties.**
34 (3) **Duties.** The on-line division shall have the following duties:

35 (m) If the on-line division has reason to believe that an on-line
36 program or on-line school is not in substantial compliance with one or
37 more of the statutory or regulatory requirements applicable to on-line
38 programs and on-line schools, to provide notice to the on-line program or
39 on-line school, and its authorizer, and require that the on-line program or
40 on-line school, together with its authorizer, address a plan for coming into
41 compliance. The plan may be included in the school plan required

1 ADOPTED BASED ON THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY ASSIGNED pursuant
2 to section 22-11-210 (3).

3 **SECTION 44.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-119.5,
4 **amend** (2) (c) (IV) as follows:

5 **22-32-119.5. Full-day kindergarten - legislative declaration -**
6 **phase-in plan - report.** (2) Each local board of education shall develop
7 a plan to potentially phase in a full-day kindergarten program in the
8 school district to be funded with state or local moneys provided
9 specifically for such program. In developing the plan, each local board
10 shall consider the following:

11 (c) A method to identify the children who would most benefit
12 from attending a full day of kindergarten, including but not limited to:

13 (IV) Children who are enrolling in an elementary school that is
14 ~~required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan~~
15 ~~pursuant to section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively,~~ HAS A "D" OR
16 "F" ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section
17 22-11-210;

18 **SECTION 45.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-142, **amend**
19 (2) as follows:

20 **22-32-142. Parent involvement - policy - communications -**
21 **incentives.** (2) If the state board of education, pursuant to section
22 22-11-210, ~~determines that a school of the school district is required to~~
23 ~~adopt and implement a school improvement plan as described in section~~
24 ~~22-11-404, a school priority improvement plan as described in section~~
25 ~~22-11-405, or a school turnaround plan as described in section 22-11-406~~
26 ASSIGNS TO A SCHOOL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT A "B", "C", "D", OR "F"
27 ACCREDITATION, the school district, within thirty days after receiving the
28 initial notice of the ~~determination~~ ASSIGNMENT or, if the ~~determination~~
29 ASSIGNMENT is appealed, the final notice of the ~~determination~~
30 ASSIGNMENT, shall notify the parents of the students enrolled in the
31 school of the ~~required plan~~ SCHOOL'S ACCREDITATION CATEGORY and the
32 issues identified by the department of education ~~as giving rise to the need~~
33 ~~for the required plan~~ IN ASSIGNING THE ACCREDITATION CATEGORY. The
34 notice shall also include the timeline for developing and adopting the
35 ~~required plan~~ THAT THE SCHOOL IS REQUIRED TO ADOPT PURSUANT TO
36 SECTION 22-11-404, 22-11-405, OR 22-11-406, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE,
37 and the date, time, and location of a public hearing held by the school
38 principal or the district board of education, whichever is responsible for
39 adopting the plan, to review the required plan prior to final adoption. At
40 the public hearing, the school principal or the district board of education
41 shall also review the school's progress in implementing its plan for the

1 preceding year and in improving its performance. The date of the public
2 hearing shall be at least thirty days after the date on which the school
3 district provides the written notice.

4 **SECTION 46.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-36-101, **amend**
5 (2) (a) as follows:

6 **22-36-101. Choice of programs and schools within school**
7 **districts.** (2) (a) Every school district shall adopt such policies and
8 procedures as are reasonable and necessary to implement the provisions
9 of subsection (1) of this section, including, but not limited to, timelines
10 for application to and acceptance in any program or school which may
11 provide for enrollment of the student on or before the pupil enrollment
12 count day, and, while adopting policies and procedures, the school district
13 shall consider adopting a policy establishing that an applicant with a
14 proficiency rating of unsatisfactory in one or more academic areas who
15 attends a public school that is required to implement a turnaround plan
16 pursuant to section 22-11-406 HAS AN "F" ACCREDITATION or that is
17 subject to restructuring pursuant to section 22-11-210 shall have priority
18 over any other applicant for enrollment purposes.

19 **SECTION 47.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-54-123.5,
20 **amend** (2) (a) as follows:

21 **22-54-123.5. School breakfast program - appropriation -**
22 **low-performing schools.** (2) As used in this section:

23 (a) "Low-performing school" means a school that is required to
24 implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan pursuant to section
25 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, respectively, HAS A "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION
26 or is subject to restructuring pursuant to section 22-11-210.

27 **SECTION 48.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-305.5,
28 **amend** (3) (e) as follows:

29 **22-60.5-305.5. Alternative principal preparation program.**

30 (3) In designing an individualized alternative principal program, the
31 school district shall, at a minimum, ensure that:

32 (e) The individualized alternative principal program complements
33 the school improvement plan, if one exists ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
34 SECTION 22-11-403, 22-11-404, 22-11-405, OR 22-11-406, of the school
35 in which the person who holds a principal authorization would be
36 employed.

37 **SECTION 49.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-63-202, **amend**
38 (2) (c.5) (VI) as follows:

39 **22-63-202. Employment contracts - contracts to be in writing**
40 **- duration - damage provision - repeal.** (2) (c.5) (VI) The provisions
41 of this paragraph (c.5) may be waived in whole or in part for a renewable

1 four-year period by the state board of education pursuant to section
2 22-2-117, provided that the local school board applying for the waiver,
3 in conjunction with the superintendent and teachers association in a
4 district that has an operating master employment contract, if applicable,
5 demonstrates that the waiver is in the best interest of students enrolled in
6 the school district, supports the equitable distribution of effective
7 teachers, and will not result in placement other than by mutual consent of
8 the teacher in a school district or public school that ~~is required to~~
9 ~~implement a priority improvement plan or turnaround plan~~ HAS A "D" OR
10 "F" ACCREDITATION pursuant to article 11 of this title. Notwithstanding
11 the provisions of this paragraph (c.5), a waiver shall not be granted for a
12 request that extends the time for securing an assignment through
13 school-based hiring for more than two years.

14 **SECTION 50.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-6.5-101.5,
15 **amend** (7) (a) (I) as follows:

16 **26-6.5-101.5. Definitions.** As used in this part 1, unless the
17 context otherwise requires:

18 (7) "Eligible elementary school" means a public elementary school
19 that:

20 (a) (I) For the school year immediately preceding submission of
21 the council's application for funding pursuant to section 26-6.5-106, is
22 ~~required to implement a priority improvement or turnaround plan as~~
23 ~~described in section 22-11-405 or 22-11-406, C.R.S., respectively,~~ HAS A
24 "D" OR "F" ACCREDITATION or is subject to restructuring pursuant to
25 section 22-11-210, C.R.S.; and

26 **SECTION 51.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-30.5-303,
27 **amend** (1) as follows:

28 **22-30.5-303. Independent charter schools - request for**
29 **proposals - response contents.** (1) Whenever the state board determines
30 that it is necessary to recommend conversion of a public school to an
31 independent charter school to a local board of education pursuant to the
32 provisions of ~~section 22-11-210~~ (5) SECTION 22-11-210 (6), the state
33 board shall issue a request for proposals pursuant to subsection (2) of this
34 section and supervise the appointment of a review committee pursuant to
35 section 22-30.5-304."

36 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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