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**SENATE BILL 15-020**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING EDUCATION REGARDING THE PREVENTION OF CHILD**  
102      **SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill requires the director of the school safety resource center to appoint a person to collect and make available materials and training regarding the awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and assault. The materials must include professional development materials for school personnel and parents and age-appropriate curricula for kindergarten through twelfth grade. The appointed person must also offer in-person

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

and on-line training for school personnel and parents and publicize and make available on-line the materials, training, and curricula. The appointed person must seek to work with appropriate community-based organizations in creating and collecting the materials, training, and curricula.

Each school district is encouraged to include in its school safety plan a child sexual abuse and prevention plan, and each charter school is encouraged to adopt a child sexual abuse and prevention plan. A plan may include professional development for school personnel and parents and age-appropriate curricula for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

An educator who receives professional development in the awareness and prevention of child sexual abuse and assault may use the professional development to meet the requirements for renewing his or her educator license.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1803,  
3 **amend** (3) (j) and (3) (k); and **add** (3) (l) as follows:

4 **24-33.5-1803. School safety resource center - created - duties**  
5 **- repeal.** (3) The center has the following duties:

6 (j) To provide information and resources relating to the  
7 development and maintenance of school resource officer programs, as  
8 determined by the center, to the division of fire prevention and control in  
9 the department of public safety for distribution to school districts and  
10 schools pursuant to section 24-33.5-1213.4 and to law enforcement  
11 agencies and other community partners, as described in section  
12 22-32-109.1, C.R.S.; ~~and~~

13 (k) To provide suggestions for school resource officer training to  
14 the peace officers standards and training board, pursuant to section  
15 24-31-312; AND

16 (l) TO PROVIDE MATERIALS AND TRAINING AS DESCRIBED IN  
17 SECTION 24-33.5-1809 TO PERSONNEL IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER

1 SCHOOLS, PARENTS, AND STUDENTS REGARDING THE AWARENESS AND  
2 PREVENTION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

3 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-33.5-1809 as  
4 follows:

5 **24-33.5-1809. Prevention of child sexual abuse and assault -**  
6 **resource bank - training.** (1) THE DIRECTOR SHALL APPOINT A PERSON  
7 TO THE CENTER TO COLLECT AND PROVIDE MATERIALS AND TO PROVIDE  
8 TRAINING TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL, PARENTS, AND STUDENTS REGARDING  
9 PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT. AT A MINIMUM, THE  
10 APPOINTED PERSON SHALL:

11 (a) RESEARCH AND SELECT INSTRUCTION MODULES FOR  
12 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL THAT MAY  
13 INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

14 (I) TRAINING IN PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO  
15 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING INFORMATION  
16 CONCERNING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE SYSTEM CREATED  
17 PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S.; AND

18 (II) RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL  
19 AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AND  
20 PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

21 (b) PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN  
22 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
23 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE  
24 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S. THE  
25 APPOINTED PERSON MAY PROVIDE TRAINING IN PERSON OR THROUGH  
26 ON-LINE PRESENTATIONS.

27 (c) RESEARCH AND SELECT MODEL, AGE-APPROPRIATE

1 EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESIGNED FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES  
2 KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND  
3 ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED  
4 NOT BE LIMITED TO:

5 (I) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:

6 (A) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

7 (B) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING  
8 AND CONTACT; AND

9 (C) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR  
10 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

11 (II) STRATEGIES TO:

12 (A) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;

13 (B) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND

14 (C) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS;

15 (d) PUBLICIZE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC  
16 SCHOOLS THE AVAILABILITY OF THE TRAINING AND RESOURCES FOR  
17 SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS AND THE AGE-APPROPRIATE EDUCATION  
18 MATERIALS FOR CHILDREN; AND

19 (e) MAKE THE TRAINING AND RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL  
20 AND PARENTS AND THE AGE-APPROPRIATE EDUCATION MATERIALS FOR  
21 CHILDREN AVAILABLE ON THE CENTER'S WEB SITE.

22 (2) THE APPOINTED PERSON SHALL SEEK TO WORK WITH  
23 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN CREATING AND  
24 COLLECTING THE MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND CURRICULA REGARDING  
25 AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.  
26 THE APPOINTED PERSON MAY CREATE AND COLLECT MATERIALS,  
27 CURRICULA, AND OTHER RESOURCES REGARDING OTHER FORMS OF CHILD

1 MALTREATMENT AND MAKE THE MATERIALS, CURRICULA, AND RESOURCES  
2 AVAILABLE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS.

3 (3) THE PERSON APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS  
4 SECTION SHALL SOLICIT AND ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE CENTER GIFTS,  
5 GRANTS, AND DONATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION, AS PROVIDED IN  
6 SECTION 24-33.5-1807 (2). MONEYS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS  
7 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO  
8 SHALL CREDIT THE MONEYS TO THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER  
9 CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-33.5-1807. ANY MONEYS RECEIVED  
10 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3) ARE IN ADDITION TO APPROPRIATIONS  
11 OF STATE MONEYS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION, AND IMPLEMENTING THIS  
12 SECTION IS NOT CONDITIONAL OR DEPENDENT ON THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS,  
13 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS.

14 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES  
15 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER  
16 EMPLOYEES OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

17 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-109.1, **add**  
18 (2.5) as follows:

19 **22-32-109.1. Board of education - specific powers and duties**  
20 **- safe school plan - conduct and discipline code - safe school reporting**  
21 **requirements - school response framework - school resource officers**  
22 **- definitions. (2.5) (a) Safe school plan - child sexual abuse and**  
23 **assault prevention plan.** EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED, AS  
24 PART OF ITS SAFE SCHOOL PLAN, TO ADOPT A CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND  
25 ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO  
26 INCLUDE IN THE PLAN DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE, AGE-APPROPRIATE  
27 CURRICULA FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE REGARDING

1 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE  
2 CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

3 (I) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:

4 (A) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

5 (B) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING  
6 AND CONTACT; AND

7 (C) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR  
8 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

9 (II) STRATEGIES TO:

10 (A) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;

11 (B) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND

12 (C) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.

13 (b) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE  
14 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN PROFESSIONAL  
15 DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN PREVENTING,  
16 IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.  
17 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING TRAINING IN  
18 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
19 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE  
20 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S., AND  
21 DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL  
22 PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT  
23 AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

24 (c) A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ENCOURAGED TO USE CURRICULA AND  
25 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND OTHER  
26 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER  
27 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.

1 (d) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2.5), "SCHOOL PERSONNEL"  
2 INCLUDES TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS,  
3 AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A PUBLIC SCHOOL.

4 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-30.5-120 as  
5 follows:

6 **22-30.5-120. Charter schools - child sexual abuse and assault**  
7 **plan.** (1) EACH CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO ADOPT A CHILD  
8 SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH CHARTER SCHOOL  
9 IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE PLAN DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE,  
10 AGE-APPROPRIATE CURRICULA FOR EACH GRADE LEVEL THAT THE  
11 CHARTER SCHOOL SERVES REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT  
12 AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED  
13 NOT BE LIMITED TO:

14 (a) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:

15 (I) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

16 (II) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING  
17 AND CONTACT; AND

18 (III) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR  
19 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

20 (b) STRATEGIES TO:

21 (I) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;

22 (II) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND

23 (III) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.

24 (2) EACH CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE  
25 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN PROFESSIONAL  
26 DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN PREVENTING,  
27 IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING TRAINING IN  
2 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
3 AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE  
4 SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111, C.R.S., AND  
5 DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF SCHOOL  
6 PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT  
7 AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

8 (3) A CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO USE CURRICULA AND  
9 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING, AND OTHER  
10 RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER  
11 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.

12 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES  
13 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER  
14 EMPLOYEES OF A CHARTER SCHOOL.

15 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 22-30.5-527** as  
16 follows:

17 **22-30.5-527. Institute charter schools - child sexual abuse and**  
18 **assault plan.** (1) EACH INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO  
19 ADOPT A CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN. EACH  
20 INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO INCLUDE IN THE PLAN  
21 DELIVERY OF A COMPREHENSIVE, AGE-APPROPRIATE CURRICULA FOR EACH  
22 GRADE LEVEL THAT THE INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL SERVES REGARDING  
23 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. THE  
24 CURRICULA MAY ADDRESS, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

25 (a) THE SKILLS TO RECOGNIZE:

26 (I) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT;

27 (II) BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS AND UNWANTED FORMS OF TOUCHING  
28 AND CONTACT; AND



1 (III) BEHAVIORS THAT AN OFFENDER USES TO GROOM OR  
2 DESENSITIZE A VICTIM; AND

3 (b) STRATEGIES TO:

4 (I) PROMOTE DISCLOSURE;

5 (II) REDUCE SELF-BLAME; AND

6 (III) MOBILIZE BYSTANDERS.

7 (2) EACH INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO  
8 INCLUDE IN THE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT PREVENTION PLAN  
9 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS IN  
10 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
11 AND ASSAULT. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MAY INCLUDE PROVIDING  
12 TRAINING IN PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD  
13 SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, INCLUDING USING THE CHILD ABUSE  
14 REPORTING HOTLINE SYSTEM CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-5-111,  
15 C.R.S. AND DISTRIBUTING RESOURCES TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF  
16 SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND PARENTS REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND  
17 ASSAULT AND PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT.

18 (3) AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO USE  
19 CURRICULA AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS, TRAINING,  
20 AND OTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE  
21 CENTER PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-1809, C.R.S.

22 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL PERSONNEL" INCLUDES  
23 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, AND OTHER  
24 EMPLOYEES OF AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL.

25 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-110, **amend**

26 (3) (b) introductory portion as follows:

27 **22-60.5-110. Renewal of licenses.** (3) (b) A professional licensee  
28 shall complete such ongoing professional development within the period

1 of time for which such professional license is valid. Such professional  
2 development may include, but need not be limited to, in-service education  
3 programs, including programs concerning juvenile mental health issues  
4 and the awareness and prevention of youth suicide AND TRAINING IN  
5 PREVENTING, IDENTIFYING, AND RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
6 AND ASSAULT; college or university credit from an accepted institution of  
7 higher education or a community, technical, or junior college; educational  
8 travel that meets the requirements specified in paragraph (d) of this  
9 subsection (3); involvement in school reform; internships; and ongoing  
10 professional development training and experiences. The state board of  
11 education, by rule, may establish minimum criteria for professional  
12 development; except that such criteria shall not:

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