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**SENATE BILL 06-046**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE STUDY OF AN EDUCATION SYSTEM RANGING FROM**  
102 **PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION, AND, IN**  
103 **CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING A LEGISLATIVE**  
104 **OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL COUNCIL, AND MAKING**  
105 **AN APPROPRIATION.**

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**Bill Summary**

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

**Interim Committee on School Finance.** Finds and declares the importance and necessity of a legislative oversight committee to work with a special council to study education issues associated with

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pre-kindergarten through higher education. Creates a legislative oversight committee ("committee") to oversee the work of the special council ("P-16 council"). Specifies membership and identifies duties of the committee.

Creates the P-16 council for continued examination of an integrated system of education from pre-kindergarten through higher education. Specifies membership and identifies duties of the P-16 council, including issues to be studied.

Creates a P-16 cash fund.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 22, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended by  
3 THE ADDITION OF A NEW ARTICLE to read:

4 **ARTICLE 88**

5 **P-16 Education Study**

6 **22-88-101. Legislative declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL  
7 ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS THAT:

8 (a) NO SINGLE FACTOR IS MORE CRITICAL TO COLORADO'S  
9 ECONOMIC VITALITY AND DEVELOPMENT THAN THE EDUCATION OF ITS  
10 CITIZENS;

11 (b) A PERSON'S EDUCATION LEVEL IS A DEMONSTRATED INDICATOR  
12 OF THE PERSON'S FUTURE INCOME. THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS  
13 REPORTS THAT A POSTSECONDARY DEGREE IS THE MAIN SOURCE OF  
14 PREPARATION FOR FORTY-NINE OF THE FIFTY HIGHEST-PAYING  
15 OCCUPATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY.

16 (c) SKILL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH EDUCATION PROVIDES A  
17 QUALIFIED AND PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE, AND A POOL OF  
18 WELL-EDUCATED WORKERS IS THE PRIMARY FACTOR IN ATTRACTING AND  
19 RETAINING HIGH-SKILL, HIGH-WAGE INDUSTRIES;

20 (d) AN EDUCATED, WELL-PAID POPULATION SUPPORTS HIGHER

1 STATE AND LOCAL TAX BASES, SPENDS MONEY THROUGHOUT THE STATE,  
2 AND CONTRIBUTES TO A SUPERIOR QUALITY OF LIFE IN COMMUNITIES  
3 ACROSS THE STATE;

4 (e) BY MODERNIZING AND INVESTING IN AN EDUCATION SYSTEM  
5 DESIGNED TO MEET THE CHALLENGES THAT CONFRONT THE STATE,  
6 COLORADO CAN BETTER ATTRACT EMPLOYERS, BRING NEW WEALTH INTO  
7 THE STATE, BENEFIT INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES, AND ENHANCE THE  
8 QUALITY OF LIFE STATEWIDE; AND

9 (f) COLORADO MUST DEVELOP THE VISION AND CONVICTION TO  
10 BUILD AND SUSTAIN A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION SYSTEM THAT PRODUCES  
11 GRADUATES WHO RANK WITH THE WORLD'S BEST IF COLORADO IS TO  
12 PROSPER IN THE FUTURE.

13 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS THAT:

14 (a) TO FOSTER A UNIFIED FOCUS ON RAISING STUDENT  
15 ACHIEVEMENT AND TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO REACH  
16 THEIR HIGHEST POTENTIAL, COLORADO SHOULD ESTABLISH A LEGISLATIVE  
17 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND A SPECIAL COUNCIL TO STUDY THE CREATION  
18 AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED, SEAMLESS SYSTEM OF  
19 EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM EARLY CHILDHOOD THROUGH HIGHER  
20 EDUCATION, REFERRED TO AS A "P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM";

21 (b) A P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM THAT IS ALIGNED AT EVERY  
22 CRITICAL TRANSITION POINT BUILDS ON THE EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS  
23 CURRENTLY IN PLACE AND ALLOWS A STUDENT TO MOVE THROUGH  
24 PROGRESSIVELY MORE COMPLEX MATERIALS AT THE STUDENT'S NATURAL  
25 PACE RATHER THAN ACCORDING TO AGE OR SEAT TIME;

26 (c) A P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM WITH CLEAR EXPECTATIONS,  
27 ALIGNED CURRICULA, AND STRONG SUPPORT SERVICES LEADS TO BETTER

1 ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND REDUCED NEEDS FOR REMEDIATION AT ALL  
2 GRADE LEVELS;

3 (d) A FULLY FUNCTIONING P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM EXPANDS  
4 ACCESS TO EARLY LEARNING FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE  
5 AND IMPROVES THEIR READINESS FOR KINDERGARTEN; FOSTERS GREATER  
6 COLLABORATION AMONG EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS AT ALL GRADE  
7 LEVELS; ALIGNS STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM ACROSS GRADE LEVELS;  
8 PROMOTES WIDESPREAD PARENT, COMMUNITY, AND STUDENT  
9 UNDERSTANDING OF GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS; SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCES  
10 THE AMOUNT OF POSTSECONDARY REMEDIAL WORK REQUIRED; AND  
11 LOWERS DROPOUT RATES IN SECONDARY AND POSTSECONDARY SCHOOLS;  
12 AND

13 (e) THE BENEFITS OF A P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM WILL LEAD TO  
14 HIGHER EDUCATION LEVELS FOR COLORADO CITIZENS FROM ALL INCOME  
15 AND ETHNIC GROUPS. HIGHER EDUCATION LEVELS, IN TURN, ARE  
16 ASSOCIATED WITH GREATER EMPLOYMENT STABILITY AND CIVIC  
17 ENGAGEMENT, AS WELL AS DECREASES IN PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND CRIME  
18 RATES.

19 (3) THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, THE  
20 COLORADO STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND THE EARLY CHILDHOOD  
21 SCHOOL READINESS COMMISSION HAVE ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS  
22 INDICATING THAT COOPERATION AMONG EDUCATORS AND  
23 ADMINISTRATORS AT ALL TRANSITION POINTS IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM  
24 IS CRUCIAL TO ENSURE PROPER PREPARATION OF STUDENTS FOR HIGHER  
25 EDUCATION AND A FULFILLING CAREER IN THE FUTURE. EXPERTS IN  
26 HIGHER EDUCATION, KINDERGARTEN-THROUGH-TWELFTH-GRADE  
27 EDUCATION, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREE UPON THE NEED TO

1 CREATE AN INTEGRATED, SEAMLESS P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM.

2 (4) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT IT IS  
3 NECESSARY TO CREATE A LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND A  
4 SPECIAL COUNCIL, KNOWN AS THE P-16 COUNCIL, CHARGED WITH  
5 STUDYING THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED  
6 SYSTEM OF EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH  
7 HIGHER EDUCATION.

8 **22-88-102. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE  
9 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

10 (1) "COMMITTEE" MEANS THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT  
11 COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-88-103.

12 (2) "P-16 COUNCIL" MEANS THE COUNCIL ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
13 TO SECTION 22-88-104 TO STUDY THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF  
14 AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM  
15 PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION.

16 **22-88-103. Legislative oversight committee - creation - duties.**

17 (1)(a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
18 TO STUDY THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED  
19 SYSTEM OF EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH  
20 HIGHER EDUCATION.

21 (b) THE COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF SIX MEMBERS. THE  
22 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE, THE  
23 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE MINORITY LEADER  
24 OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS OF THE  
25 COMMITTEE, AS FOLLOWS:

26 (I) THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL APPOINT TWO SENATORS  
27 TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE, AND THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE

1 SHALL APPOINT ONE SENATOR TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE;

2 (II) THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL  
3 APPOINT TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE, AND THE  
4 MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL APPOINT  
5 ONE REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE.

6 (c) THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL SELECT THE FIRST CHAIR  
7 OF THE COMMITTEE, AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
8 REPRESENTATIVES SHALL SELECT THE FIRST VICE-CHAIR. THE CHAIR AND  
9 VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL ALTERNATE ANNUALLY  
10 THEREAFTER BETWEEN THE TWO HOUSES. THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF  
11 THE COMMITTEE MAY ESTABLISH SUCH ORGANIZATIONAL AND  
12 PROCEDURAL RULES AS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE  
13 COMMITTEE.

14 (d) A VACANCY OCCURRING IN A COMMITTEE POSITION APPOINTED  
15 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE FILLED  
16 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY THE APPROPRIATE APPOINTING AUTHORITY. IN  
17 ADDITION, AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY REMOVE AND REPLACE AN  
18 APPOINTMENT MADE TO THE P-16 COUNCIL PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (b)  
19 OF THIS SUBSECTION (1).

20 (e) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 2-2-307,  
21 C.R.S., THE COMMITTEE MAY RECEIVE PAYMENT OF PER DIEM AND  
22 REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES AUTHORIZED  
23 PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION AND ANY OTHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT COSTS  
24 ASSOCIATED WITH THE DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE SET FORTH IN THIS  
25 ARTICLE ONLY FROM MONEYS APPROPRIATED FROM THE P-16 CASH FUND  
26 CREATED IN SECTION 22-88-106.

27 (II) THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

1 AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES MAY  
2 SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE AS THEY DEEM  
3 APPROPRIATE, WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS. IF STAFF ASSISTANCE  
4 IS NOT AVAILABLE WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS, THEN THE DIRECTOR  
5 OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
6 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES MAY SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE  
7 TO THE TASK FORCE ONLY IF MONEYS ARE CREDITED TO THE P-16 CASH  
8 FUND CREATED IN SECTION 22-88-106 IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO FUND  
9 STAFF ASSISTANCE.

10 (2) (a) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2006, THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET  
11 AT LEAST ONCE. BEGINNING IN 2006 AND CONTINUING EACH YEAR  
12 THEREAFTER, THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST THREE TIMES EACH  
13 YEAR AND AT SUCH OTHER TIMES AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY.

14 (b) THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT  
15 OF THE P-16 COUNCIL. THE COMMITTEE SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE  
16 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 15, 2007, AND ON OR  
17 BEFORE EACH JANUARY 15 THEREAFTER. THE ANNUAL REPORT SHALL  
18 SUMMARIZE ISSUES CONCERNING A P-16 EDUCATION SYSTEM THAT HAVE  
19 BEEN CONSIDERED AND ANY RECOMMENDED LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS. IN  
20 ADDITION, THE COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES  
21 THAT SHALL BE TREATED AS BILLS RECOMMENDED BY AN INTERIM  
22 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE FOR PURPOSES OF ANY INTRODUCTION  
23 DEADLINES OR BILL LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THE JOINT RULES OF THE  
24 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

25 **22-88-104. P-16 council - creation - membership - duties -**  
26 **repeal.** (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A P-16 COUNCIL TO STUDY  
27 THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF

1 EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGHER  
2 EDUCATION. THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF NO MORE THAN  
3 TWENTY-NINE MEMBERS FROM HIGHER EDUCATION,  
4 KINDERGARTEN-THROUGH-TWELFTH-GRADE EDUCATION, THE EARLY  
5 CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY, THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, AND  
6 THE PUBLIC AT LARGE, APPOINTED AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS  
7 SUBSECTION (1).

8 (b) THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL  
9 APPOINT MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

10 (I) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE STATE BOARD OF  
11 EDUCATION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

12 (II) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE;

13 (III) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE LIEUTENANT  
14 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE;

15 (IV) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE COLORADO COMMISSION  
16 ON HIGHER EDUCATION;

17 (V) FIVE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS, SELECTED  
18 FROM RURAL AND URBAN DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE;

19 (VI) TWO MEMBERS WHO ARE TEACHERS OR PRINCIPALS IN  
20 COLORADO;

21 (VII) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A LICENSED MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH  
22 SCHOOL COUNSELOR IN COLORADO;

23 (VIII) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS COLORADO CHARTER  
24 SCHOOLS;

25 (IX) FIVE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT HIGHER EDUCATION IN  
26 COLORADO, INCLUDING ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A RESEARCH  
27 INSTITUTION, ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATE COLLEGE,      ONE

1 REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, AND AT LEAST  
2 TWO FACULTY MEMBERS FROM A RESEARCH INSTITUTION, STATE COLLEGE,  
3 OR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM;

4 (X) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION  
5 OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS;

6 (XI) THREE MEMBERS FROM ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TO  
7 IMPROVE EARLY CHILDHOOD SCHOOL READINESS, INCLUDING ONE  
8 REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE EARLY CHILDHOOD AND SCHOOL READINESS  
9 COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 26-6-304, C.R.S.;

10 (XII) THREE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
11 INTERESTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE; ==

12 (XIII) TWO MEMBERS WHO ARE PARENTS, INCLUDING ONE  
13 REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE PARENTS' ORGANIZATION; AND

14 (XIV) TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY  
15 THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR.

16 (c) A VACANCY OCCURRING IN A POSITION APPOINTED BY THE  
17 CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (b)  
18 OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE FILLED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY THE  
19 CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
20 LIMITATIONS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1). IN  
21 ADDITION, THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE MAY REMOVE  
22 AND REPLACE ANY APPOINTMENT TO THE P-16 COUNCIL MADE PURSUANT  
23 TO PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1).

24 (d) IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE P-16 COUNCIL, THE CHAIR  
25 AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL ENSURE THAT THE  
26 MEMBERSHIP OF THE P-16 COUNCIL REFLECTS THE ETHNIC, CULTURAL,  
27 AND GENDER DIVERSITY OF THE STATE AND INCLUDES REPRESENTATION

1 OF ALL AREAS OF THE STATE.

2 (2) THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDYING THE  
3 CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF  
4 EDUCATION STRETCHING FROM PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGHER  
5 EDUCATION. IN ADDITION TO CREATING A STATEWIDE P-16 VISION FOR  
6 EDUCATION IN COLORADO, THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL SPECIFICALLY  
7 CONSIDER, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING ISSUES:

8 (a) STRATEGIES FOR CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP AMONG  
9 SOCIOECONOMIC GROUPS;

10 (b) RAISING ACADEMIC STANDARDS;

11 (c) ALIGNING KINDERGARTEN-THROUGH-TWELFTH-GRADE  
12 CURRICULUM WITH HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS;

13 (d) IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY;

14 (e) STRATEGIES TO HELP STUDENT TRANSITIONS FROM ONE LEVEL  
15 OF LEARNING TO THE NEXT; ==

16 (f) STRATEGIES TO INCREASE, IMPROVE, AND PROMOTE SCHOOL  
17 READINESS PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE;

18 (g) STUDYING THE IMPORTANCE AND FEASIBILITY OF  
19 COORDINATING STUDENT DATA ACROSS ALL LEVELS OF EDUCATION, AND  
20 MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT ANY PROPOSALS FOR SUCH  
21 DATA COORDINATION; AND

22 (h) ANY OTHER ISSUES CONCERNING EDUCATION FROM  
23 PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE, AS WELL  
24 AS POST-GRADUATE WORK, THAT ARISE DURING THE COURSE OF THE P-16  
25 COUNCIL'S WORK.

26 (3) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2007, AND ON OR BEFORE EACH  
27 AUGUST 1 THEREAFTER, THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL ORALLY PROVIDE

1 GUIDANCE AND MAKE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE  
2 COMMITTEE FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT OF REPORTS AND LEGISLATIVE  
3 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MODIFICATION OF THE EARLY CHILDHOOD,  
4 KINDERGARTEN-THROUGH-TWELFTH-GRADE, AND HIGHER EDUCATION  
5 SYSTEMS IN COLORADO. IN ADDITION, THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL:

6 (a) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2006, AND ON OR BEFORE EACH  
7 AUGUST 1 THEREAFTER, SELECT A CHAIR AND A VICE-CHAIR FROM AMONG  
8 ITS MEMBERS;

9 (b) MEET AT LEAST SIX TIMES EACH YEAR FROM THE DATE OF THE  
10 FIRST MEETING, OR MORE OFTEN AS DIRECTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE  
11 COMMITTEE;

12 (c) COMMUNICATE WITH AND OBTAIN INPUT FROM GROUPS  
13 THROUGHOUT THE STATE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN  
14 SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION;

15 (d) CREATE SUBCOMMITTEES AS NEEDED TO CARRY OUT THE  
16 DUTIES OF THE P-16 COUNCIL. THE SUBCOMMITTEES MAY CONSIST, IN  
17 PART, OF PERSONS WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE P-16 COUNCIL. SUCH  
18 PERSONS MAY VOTE ON ISSUES BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE BUT SHALL  
19 NOT BE ENTITLED TO VOTE AT MEETINGS OF THE P-16 COUNCIL.

20 (e) SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON OR BEFORE  
21 OCTOBER 1, 2006, AND ON OR BEFORE EACH OCTOBER 1 THEREAFTER,  
22 THAT, AT A MINIMUM, SPECIFIES:

23 (I) ISSUES TO BE STUDIED IN UPCOMING P-16 COUNCIL MEETINGS  
24 AND A PRIORITIZATION OF THOSE ISSUES;

25 (II) FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ISSUES OF  
26 PRIOR CONSIDERATION BY THE P-16 COUNCIL;

27 (III) LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS OF THE P-16 COUNCIL THAT

1 IDENTIFY THE POLICY ISSUES INVOLVED, THE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR  
2 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHANGES, AND THE FUNDING SOURCES  
3 REQUIRED FOR IMPLEMENTATION.

4 (4) MEMBERS OF THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL SERVE WITHOUT  
5 COMPENSATION, BUT THEY MAY RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL  
6 AND NECESSARY EXPENSES FOR DIRECT OR INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED  
7 WITH THE DUTIES OF THE P-16 COUNCIL AS SET FORTH IN THIS ARTICLE.  
8 SUCH REIMBURSEMENT SHALL COME ONLY FROM AVAILABLE MONEYS  
9 APPROPRIATED FROM THE P-16 CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION  
10 22-88-106.

11 (5) (a) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010.

12 (b) PRIOR TO SAID REPEAL, THE P-16 COUNCIL SHALL BE REVIEWED  
13 AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

14 **22-88-105. Committee funding - staff support.** (1) THE  
15 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE  
16 P-16 COUNCIL, IS AUTHORIZED TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND CONTRIBUTIONS,  
17 GRANTS, SERVICES, AND IN-KIND DONATIONS FROM ANY PUBLIC OR  
18 PRIVATE ENTITY FOR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH  
19 THE DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE P-16 COUNCIL SET FORTH IN THIS  
20 ARTICLE.

21 (2) THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
22 THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES, THE  
23 COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
24 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY SUPPLY STAFF ASSISTANCE TO  
25 THE COMMITTEE AND THE P-16 COUNCIL AS THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE  
26 WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS. IF STAFF ASSISTANCE IS NOT  
27 AVAILABLE FROM A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY WITHIN EXISTING

1 APPROPRIATIONS, THEN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT  
2 OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, THE  
3 DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND THE  
4 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES MAY SUPPLY  
5 STAFF ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE AND THE P-16 COUNCIL ONLY IF  
6 MONEYS ARE CREDITED TO THE P-16 CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION  
7 22-88-106 IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO FUND STAFF ASSISTANCE. THE  
8 COMMITTEE AND THE P-16 COUNCIL MAY ALSO ACCEPT STAFF SUPPORT  
9 FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

10 **22-88-106. P-16 cash fund.** (1) ALL PRIVATE AND PUBLIC FUNDS  
11 RECEIVED THROUGH GRANTS, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND DONATIONS  
12 PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE  
13 TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE SAME TO THE P-16 CASH FUND,  
14 WHICH FUND IS HEREBY CREATED AND REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS  
15 THE "FUND". THE MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL  
16 APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE DIRECT AND  
17 INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS  
18 ARTICLE. ALL MONEYS IN THE FUND NOT EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
19 THIS ARTICLE MAY BE INVESTED BY THE STATE TREASURER AS PROVIDED  
20 BY LAW. ALL INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE INVESTMENT  
21 AND DEPOSIT OF MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.  
22 ANY UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEYS REMAINING IN THE  
23 FUND AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND  
24 SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR  
25 ANOTHER FUND.

26 (2) COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AS PROVIDED IN  
27 SECTIONS 22-88-103 (1) (e) (I), 22-88-104 (4), AND 22-88-105 (2) FOR

1 MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND P-16 COUNCIL, AND FOR STAFF  
2 ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE AND THE P-16 COUNCIL PROVIDED BY THE  
3 DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND THE DIRECTOR  
4 OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES SHALL BE APPROVED BY  
5 THE CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND PAID BY VOUCHERS AND  
6 WARRANTS DRAWN AS PROVIDED BY LAW FROM MONEYS APPROPRIATED  
7 FOR SUCH PURPOSE AND ALLOCATED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM  
8 THE FUND.

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

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

14 (w) July 1, 2010:

15 (V) THE P-16 COUNCIL CREATED IN SECTION 22-88-104, C.R.S.

16 SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) In addition to any other  
17 appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the  
18 general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the legislative department, for  
19 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, the sum of six thousand seven  
20 hundred nineteen dollars (\$6,719) and 0.1 FTE, or so much thereof as  
21 may be necessary, for the implementation of this act.

22 (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby  
23 appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise  
24 appropriated, to the legislative department, for the fiscal year beginning  
25 July 1, 2006, the sum of twenty thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars  
26 (\$20,156) and 0.4 FTE, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the  
27 implementation of this act.

1           **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
3 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.