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SENATE BILL 06-046

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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Senate Committees

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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.**

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

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.*

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.

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.