

**NOTE: This bill has been prepared for the signature of the appropriate legislative officers and the Governor. To determine whether the Governor has signed the bill or taken other action on it, please consult the legislative status sheet, the legislative history, or the Session Laws.**

2001



HOUSE BILL 01-1041

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Young, Miller, Boyd, Coleman, Jahn, Mace, Romanoff, Tapia, and Williams S.;  
also SENATOR(S) Anderson, Lamborn, Linkhart, Reeves, Taylor, Windels, Dyer (Durango), Evans, Matsunaka, and Tupa.

CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
IN PROVIDING OVERSIGHT OF THE COLORADO PRESCHOOL PROGRAM.

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

**SECTION 1.** 22-28-107, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended  
BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

**22-28-107. Eligibility of school districts for participation in state preschool program.** (4) (a) UPON THE REQUEST OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-28-103 (3), SHALL PROVIDE, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE RESOURCES, SUCH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS PRESCHOOL PROGRAM AND FOR ONGOING TRAINING OF PERSONNEL FOR THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF SUCH PROGRAM.

(b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ANNUALLY SELECT A REASONABLE

---

*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statute; dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT HAVE IMPLEMENTED PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THIS PART 1 AND SHALL CONDUCT ON-SITE VISITS TO DETERMINE WHETHER:

(I) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S SCREENING PROCESS AND THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN A PRESCHOOL PROGRAM COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE STATE LAW;

(II) THE DISTRICT PRESCHOOL PROGRAM COUNCIL ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-28-105 COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE STATE LAW; AND

(III) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S QUALITY ASSURANCE ACTIVITIES, EVALUATION EFFORTS, AND FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES REGARDING THE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE STATE LAW.

**SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

---

Doug Dean  
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE  
OF REPRESENTATIVES

---

Stan Matsunaka  
PRESIDENT OF  
THE SENATE

---

Judith Rodrigue  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE  
OF REPRESENTATIVES

---

Karen Goldman  
SECRETARY OF  
THE SENATE

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

---

Bill Owens  
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF COLORADO