

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB25-1257 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-3-304.5, **amend**
4 (1)(a) as follows:

5 **19-3-304.5. Emergency possession of certain abandoned**
6 **children - definition.** (1) If a parent voluntarily delivers a child to a
7 firefighter, as defined in section 18-3-201 (1.5), or a staff member who
8 engages in the admission, care, or treatment of patients at a hospital or
9 community clinic emergency center, as defined in subsection (9) of this
10 section, when the firefighter is at a fire station or the staff member is at
11 a hospital or community clinic emergency center, as defined in subsection
12 (9) of this section, the firefighter or staff member of the hospital or
13 community clinic emergency center shall, without a court order, take
14 temporary physical custody of the child if:

15 (a) The child is ~~seventy-two hours~~ THIRTY DAYS old or younger;
16 and

17 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-6-401, **amend**
18 (9)(a) as follows:

19 **18-6-401. Child abuse - definition.** (9) (a) If a parent is charged
20 with permitting a child to be unreasonably placed in a situation that poses
21 a threat of injury to the child's life or health, pursuant to subsection (1)(a)
22 of this section, and the child was ~~seventy-two hours~~ THIRTY DAYS old or
23 younger at the time of the alleged offense, it is an affirmative defense to
24 the charge that the parent safely, reasonably, and knowingly handed the
25 child over to a firefighter, as defined in section 18-3-201 (1.5), or to a
26 staff member who engages in the admission, care, or treatment of patients
27 at a hospital or community clinic emergency center, as defined in
28 subsection (9)(b) of this section, when the firefighter is at a fire station,
29 or the staff member is at a hospital or community clinic emergency center,
30 as defined in subsection (9)(b) of this section.

31 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-1-128, **amend**
32 (6)(j) as follows:

33 **22-1-128. Comprehensive human sexuality education -**
34 **legislative declaration - definitions - guidelines and content**
35 **standards.** (6) Human sexuality instruction is not required. However, if
36 a school district, board of cooperative services, charter school, or institute
37 charter school offers human sexuality instruction, the instruction must be
38 comprehensive and meet the comprehensive human sexuality education
39 content requirements. These requirements must:

1 (j) Provide age-appropriate information concerning sections
2 18-6-401 (9) and 19-3-304.5, or any successor laws, referred to generally
3 as "safe haven laws", relating to the safe abandonment of a child to a
4 firefighter at a fire station or to a staff member at a hospital or a
5 community clinic emergency center within the first ~~seventy-two hours~~
6 THIRTY DAYS of the child's life.

7 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-25-103, **amend**
8 (3)(n) as follows:

9 **22-25-103. Definitions.** As used in this article 25, unless the
10 context otherwise requires:

11 (3) "Comprehensive health education" means a planned,
12 sequential health program of learning experiences in preschool,
13 kindergarten, and grades one through twelve that must include, but is not
14 limited to, the following topics:

15 (n) If not included in other curricula or programs provided to
16 students, age-appropriate information concerning sections 18-6-401 (9)
17 and 19-3-304.5, or any successor laws, referred to generally as "safe
18 haven laws", relating to the safe abandonment of a child to a firefighter
19 at a fire station, or to a staff member at a hospital or a community clinic
20 emergency center, within the first ~~seventy-two hours~~ THIRTY DAYS of the
21 child's life.

22 **SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
23 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
24 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
25 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
26 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
27 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
28 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
29 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
30 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor."

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