

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 11, 2024
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB24-054 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 14, after "Association" insert "and the
2 American Academy of Pediatrics".

3 Page 3, after line 9 insert:

4 "(d) The 2023 American Academy of Pediatrics obesity guidelines
5 recommend that comprehensive, evidence-based obesity treatment for
6 youth should include timely initiation of intensive behavioral or lifestyle
7 therapy, anti-obesity medications, and bariatric surgery, and that these
8 treatment options are safe and effective. Eight out of ten adolescents with
9 obesity will continue to have obesity as adults. Treatment significantly
10 improves an individual's health and quality of life and has the potential to
11 significantly reduce health-care costs by preventing the development and
12 progression of obesity-related complications, including diabetes."

13 Page 5, strike line 23 and substitute "MANAGEMENT."

14 Page 6, lines 2 and 3, strike "CHANGES, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY," and
15 substitute "CHANGES, INCLUDING THE USE OF MEDICAL NUTRITION
16 THERAPY; PHYSICAL ACTIVITY;"

17 Page 6, line 5, strike "VIRTUAL," and substitute "VIRTUALLY THROUGH
18 TELEHEALTH," and after "OR" insert "IN".

19 Page 7, lines 18 and 19, strike "CHANGES, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY," and
20 substitute "CHANGES, INCLUDING THE USE OF MEDICAL NUTRITION
21 THERAPY; PHYSICAL ACTIVITY;"

- 1 Page 7, line 21, strike "VIRTUAL," and substitute "VIRTUALLY THROUGH
- 2 TELEHEALTH," and after "OR" insert "IN".

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