A BILL FOR AN ACT

Concerning eligibility of kindergarten students funded through early childhood at-risk enhancement positions.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Early Childhood and School Readiness Legislative Commission. If a district chooses to use early childhood at-risk enhancement (ECARE) positions to enroll children in the district's full-day kindergarten program, children using the ECARE positions must satisfy at least one of the eligibility requirements of the Colorado
Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-28-104.3, add (5) as follows:

22-28-104.3. Early childhood at-risk enhancement (ECARE).

(5) IF A DISTRICT USES A PRESCHOOL PROGRAM POSITION TO ENROLL A CHILD IN A FULL DAY OF THE DISTRICT'S EXISTING FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM, THE CHILD MUST SATISFY AT LEAST ONE OF THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION 22-28-106 (1)(a)(II) TO (1)(a)(IV).

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.