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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING REQUIRING LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO RECOGNIZE** 

102 ACADEMIC CREDITS EARNED BY STUDENTS IN THE CUSTODY OF

103 THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES.

#### **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 <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

Under current law, when a student in out-of-home placement transfers from one school to another school, the sending school must certify to the receiving school or school district the course work that the student has fully or partially completed while enrolled at the school. The receiving school or school district must accept the student's certified



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course work and the course work certified by previous schools in which the student was enrolled, as reflected in the student's records, as if it had been completed at the receiving school. The receiving school or school district must apply all of the student's certified course work toward completion of the student's requirements for graduating from the grade level in which the student is enrolled at the receiving school or school district or for graduation from the receiving school or school district if the student is enrolled in twelfth grade.

The bill requires receiving schools and school districts to follow the same procedures for a student who transfers to a school or school district from a division of youth services placement.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-138, amend 3 (5); and add (1)(b.5) as follows: 4 22-32-138. Out-of-home placement students - transfer 5 procedures - absences - exemptions. (1) As used in this section, unless 6 the context otherwise requires: 7 (b.5) "DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES PLACEMENT" MEANS A 8 SECURE FACILITY OR CONTRACT COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM OF 9 THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN 10 SERVICES. 11 (5) When a student in out-of-home placement transfers from one 12 school to another school OR FROM A DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES 13 PLACEMENT TO A SCHOOL, the sending school OR DIVISION OF YOUTH 14 SERVICES PLACEMENT shall certify to the receiving school or school 15 district the course work that the student has fully or partially completed 16 while enrolled. at the school. The receiving school or school district shall 17 accept the student's certified course work and the course work certified 18 by previous schools AND DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES PLACEMENTS in 19 which the student was enrolled, as reflected in the student's records, FOR

1 COMPARABLE COURSE CREDIT, as if it had been completed at the receiving 2 school. The receiving school or school district shall apply all of the 3 student's certified course work toward completion of the student's 4 requirements for graduating from the grade level in which the student is 5 enrolled at the receiving school or school district or for graduation from 6 the receiving school or school district if the student is enrolled in twelfth 7 grade. The receiving school or school district may award elective credit 8 for any portion of the student's certified course work that is not aligned 9 with the curriculum CORE ACADEMIC COURSE DESCRIPTIONS of the 10 receiving school or school district.

11 SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 12 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 13 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 14 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a 15 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 16 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 17 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 18 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 19 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 20 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.