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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING INFORMATION RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE**
102 **COURSES OFFERED IN SCHOOLS.**

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>.)

The bill requires a school district, charter school, or board of cooperative services that operates a secondary school to annually report to the department of education (department) the computer science courses offered in the school and additional information regarding those courses.

The department shall also report information concerning the number and percentage of students taking computer science courses, with

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data disaggregated by student group, as well as information concerning the number and qualifications of computer science instructors.

The department shall annually post the information online for public access. The bill prohibits the posting online of any personally identifying information relating to students.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-127.5, **add** (5)
3 as follows:

4 **22-2-127.5. Computer science courses and programs -**
5 **resource bank - report.** (5) (a) (I) BEGINNING WITH THE 2019-20
6 ACADEMIC YEAR, A SCHOOL DISTRICT, CHARTER SCHOOL, OR BOARD OF
7 COOPERATIVE SERVICES THAT OPERATES A SCHOOL THAT SERVES ANY OF
8 GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE
9 DEPARTMENT, NO LATER THAN APRIL 30 OF EACH YEAR, THE TOTAL
10 NUMBER AND COURSE NAMES OF COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES OFFERED
11 TO STUDENTS DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR, THE COURSE CODES, AND A
12 DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSES. IN ADDITION, THE ANNUAL REPORT TO THE
13 DEPARTMENT MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DATA, IF AVAILABLE:

14 (A) THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO ENROLLED
15 IN A COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE, DISAGGREGATED BY STUDENT GROUP,
16 INCLUDING GENDER, RACE AND ETHNICITY, SPECIAL EDUCATION STATUS,
17 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER STATUS, AND FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE
18 MEAL ELIGIBILITY; AND

19 (B) THE NUMBER OF COMPUTER SCIENCE INSTRUCTORS AT EACH
20 SCHOOL, DISAGGREGATED BY GENDER, CERTIFICATION, IF APPLICABLE,
21 AND TERMINAL DEGREE.

22 (II) TO REDUCE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN, THE ANNUAL REPORT
23 TO THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY BE MADE IN

1 CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER REQUIRED REPORTING TO THE DEPARTMENT.

2 (b) (I) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2020, AND ON OR BEFORE EACH
3 JUNE 30 THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST ONLINE FOR PUBLIC
4 ACCESS A LIST OF COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE CODES AND COURSE NAMES
5 OFFERED BY EACH SCHOOL AND SORTED BY SCHOOL NAME AND ACADEMIC
6 YEAR, A COURSE DESCRIPTION FOR EACH COURSE LISTED, A STATEMENT OF
7 WHETHER THE COURSE ALIGNS WITH HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER SCIENCE
8 ACADEMIC STANDARDS, AND THE STUDENT AND INSTRUCTOR DATA
9 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (5)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION.

10 (II) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT REPORT DATA FOR ANY STUDENT
11 GROUP THAT IS SMALLER THAN THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS
12 NECESSARY TO PROTECT STUDENT PRIVACY, OR ANY PERSONALLY
13 IDENTIFYING STUDENT INFORMATION, AS DETERMINED BY THE
14 DEPARTMENT.

15 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
16 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
17 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
18 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a
19 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
20 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
21 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
22 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
23 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
24 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.