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A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 101 CONCERNING SUPPORTING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS' INTEREST IN 102 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION THROUGH THE TEACHER CADET
- 103 PROGRAM.

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>.)

Early Childhood and School Readiness Legislative Commission. The bill clarifies that high school students who are interested in early childhood education may participate in the teacher cadet program. 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 23-76-105 as
follows:

4 23-76-105. Teacher cadet program. On or before July 1, 2017, 5 the department of higher education shall establish teacher cadet programs 6 in identified rural schools and school districts. Money may be provided 7 to local school districts, charter schools, or the charter school institute, 8 any of which may contract with a board of cooperative services, to 9 identify and support high school students who are interested in pursuing 10 teaching careers in rural Colorado, and INCLUDING EARLY CHILDHOOD 11 EDUCATION. TEACHER CADET PROGRAMS ARE ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY 12 students, including students with disabilities, who reflect the geographic, 13 racial, and ethnic diversity of the state. The department of higher 14 education and the department of education shall evaluate the effectiveness of the teacher cadet program every five years. 15

16 SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 17 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 18 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 19 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a 20 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 21 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 22 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 23 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 24 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 25 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.