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SENATE BILL 20-027

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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(None),

Senate Committees

State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS FOR ALL SCHOOLS IN EACH**
102 **SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

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 directs each district school board to issue a request for proposal for a district-wide school safety assessment. Each district shall select and contract with a school safety expert for an evaluation of each public school in the district. The expert shall report its evaluation and recommendations to the board, and the board shall vote on each recommendation. The board shall present the approved recommendations

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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to the state board of education, which shall vote on the recommendations and provide funding to the district to cover the costs of the approved recommendations. The state board of education shall report to the legislature's education committees on the recommendations it receives, approves, and funds.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-32-110.8 as
3 follows:

4 **22-32-110.8. Board of education - specific powers - school**
5 **security plans - report - repeal.** (1) EACH BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
6 ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR A SAFETY SPECIALIST TO EVALUATE
7 AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE SAFETY OF EACH PUBLIC
8 SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT. THE BOARD SHALL SELECT AND CONTRACT
9 WITH A SAFETY SPECIALIST WHO HAS SECURITY TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE
10 WITH SECURING FACILITIES FOR A SAFETY EVALUATION OF THE DISTRICT'S
11 SCHOOLS BY JANUARY 2, 2021.

12 (2) THE SAFETY SPECIALIST SHALL PRESENT ITS EVALUATION AND
13 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD BY JUNE 30, 2021. THE BOARD SHALL
14 VOTE ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS INDIVIDUALLY AND SHALL PRESENT THE
15 APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN A
16 WRITTEN REPORT BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2021.

17 (3) BY DECEMBER 31, 2021, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
18 SHALL REVIEW EACH DISTRICT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND EITHER APPROVE
19 OR REJECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS INDIVIDUALLY. FOR THE APPROVED
20 RECOMMENDATIONS, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE
21 FUNDING TO EACH DISTRICT SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE
22 APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS. THE DISTRICT SHALL USE THE FUNDING
23 ONLY TO IMPLEMENT THE APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS AND SHALL

1 RETURN ANY UNEXPENDED FUNDS TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

2 (4) BY MARCH 1, 2022, THE STATE BOARD SHALL PREPARE A
3 REPORT FOR THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF
4 REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES,
5 REGARDING THE RECOMMENDATIONS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
6 (2) OF THIS SECTION AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED AND
7 PROVIDED FUNDING PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.

8 (5) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022.

9 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
10 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
11 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
12 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a
13 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
14 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
15 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
16 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
17 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
18 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.