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SENATE BILL 22-069

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING _____ THE USE OF STUDENT ACADEMIC MEASURES IN**
102 **EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF LICENSED PERSONNEL FOR**
103 **THE 2021-22 AND 2022-23 SCHOOL YEARS.**

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>.)

When disruptions in the delivery of instruction due to a disaster emergency occur during a school year, the bill prohibits a school district or board of cooperative services from considering student growth measures or other student performance measures in evaluating the performance of licensed educators until the disruptions have ceased for

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2 consecutive school years and a baseline for student growth and performance can be reestablished. The bill makes an exception to allow the school district or board of cooperative services to use the measures in a school year in which there are disruptions in the delivery of instruction due to a disaster emergency, after consulting with the school district's or board's advisory personnel performance evaluation council.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
3 finds that:

4 (a) The significant and repeated disruptions in the delivery of
5 instruction caused by the COVID-19 pandemic have caused and continue
6 to cause a high level of student learning loss;

7 (b) Educators have risen to the challenge of overcoming the
8 effects of these disruptions, working harder and longer and with more
9 creativity than was ever before required of them; and

10 (c) Despite the extraordinary efforts of educators, student
11 performance on assessments has likely declined because of the continued
12 disruptions, but these declines are not related to the effectiveness of
13 educators' performance and should not negatively impact the evaluation
14 of their performance.

15 (2) The general assembly therefore finds that, to preserve
16 confidence in the integrity of the licensed personnel performance
17 evaluation system, it is necessary to prohibit the use of student academic
18 growth measures and other student performance measures as factors in
19 evaluating licensed personnel performance until the disruptions in the
20 delivery of instruction have ceased for a sufficient number of school years
21 in order to reestablish a valid baseline for student academic growth and
22 performance and begin measuring student academic growth and

1 performance against that baseline.

2 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-9-106, amend (9)
3 as follows:

4 22-9-106. Local boards of education - duties - performance
5 evaluation system - compliance - rules - repeal.

6 (9) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this article 9 or any provision
7 of state board rule that implements this article 9 to the contrary:

8 (I) For the 2020-21 school year, evaluation ratings for licensed
9 personnel must not include consideration of student academic growth
10 measures or other student performance measures; AND

11 (II) FOR THE 2021-22 AND 2022-23 SCHOOL YEARS, EVALUATION
12 RATINGS FOR LICENSED PERSONNEL MUST NOT INCLUDE MEASURES OF
13 STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH DERIVED FROM THE COLORADO GROWTH
14 MODEL CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-202 OR CONSIDERATION OF
15 THE PERFORMANCE PLAN TYPE IMPLEMENTED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
16 A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-208 OR
17 BY A SCHOOL PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-11-210, INCLUDING
18 CONSIDERATION OF PERFORMANCE OR STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH
19 WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, OR
20 SCHOOL.

21 (b) This subsection (9) is repealed, effective July 1, 2022 JULY 1,
22 2024. _____

23 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.