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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE "PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL
102	EDUCATION ACT OF 1981", AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,
103	IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE
104	2023 SUNSET REVIEW BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY
105	AGENCIES.

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>)

Sunset Process - House Education Committee. The bill implements the recommendations of the department of regulatory



agencies (department), as contained in the department's 2023 sunset review and report of the "Private Occupational Education Act of 1981" by:

- Continuing the regulation of private occupational schools and their agents;
 - Continuing the functions of the private occupational school division and the private occupational school board (board) for 11 years, until September 1, 2035; and
- Requiring the board to grant prior approval when a private occupational school changes ownership.
- 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, repeal 3 (25)(a)(X); and **add** (36) as follows: 4 24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies 5 and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative 6 declaration - repeal. (25) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both, 7 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2024: 8 (X) The regulation of private occupational schools and their 9 agents under article 64 of title 23, including the functions of the private 10 occupational school division created in section 23-64-105, and the private 11 occupational school board created in section 23-64-107; 12 (36) (a) THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES, FUNCTIONS, OR BOTH, ARE 13 SCHEDULED FOR REPEAL ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2035: 14 (I) THE REGULATION OF PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS AND 15 THEIR AGENTS UNDER ARTICLE 64 OF TITLE 23, INCLUDING THE FUNCTIONS 16 OF THE PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOL DIVISION CREATED IN SECTION 17 23-64-105, AND THE PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD CREATED IN 18 SECTION 23-64-107. 19 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (36) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 20 2037.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 23-64-133 as
 follows:

23-64-133. Repeal of article - review of functions. This article
64 is repealed, effective September 1, 2024 SEPTEMBER 1, 2035. Prior to
the repeal, the department of regulatory agencies shall review the
regulation of private occupational schools and their agents under this
article 64, including the functions of the division and the board, in
accordance with section 24-34-104.

9 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-64-116, amend
10 (1) as follows:

11 23-64-116. Application for change of ownership - definition. 12 (1) In the event of a change of ownership of a school, the seller, prior to 13 the effective date of the change of ownership, shall notify the board in 14 writing, and the buyer, prior to or within thirty days after the change of 15 ownership, shall make application APPLY for approval of the change of 16 ownership upon forms to be provided and in a manner prescribed by the 17 board. In the event of a THE BUYER'S OR SELLER'S failure to do so COMPLY 18 WITH THIS SUBSECTION (1), the school's certificate of approval shall be IS 19 suspended by operation of law until the application has been received and 20 approved by the board as provided in this section. THE CHANGE OF 21 OWNERSHIP MUST NOT OCCUR UNLESS THE BOARD GIVES PRIOR APPROVAL. 22 SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 23 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 24 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except 25 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V 26 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this 27 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take

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- 1 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
- 2 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 3 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.