

CHAPTER 204

**EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**SENATE BILL 12-160**

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**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN PUBLIC EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-7-303, **amend** (2) (a) (I), (2) (a) (II), (2) (a) (III), (2) (a) (IV), (2) (a) (XI), and (2) (c); and **repeal** (2) (a) (VI) and (2) (a) (XII) as follows:

**22-7-303. Colorado state advisory council for parent involvement in education - created - membership.** (2) The council shall consist of the following members:

(a) The following members appointed by the state board:

(I) Five persons who are parents of children enrolled in a publicly funded preschool program, in any of grades ~~one~~ KINDERGARTEN through twelve, or in a state-supported institution of higher education, WHO REFLECT STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED IN THE STATE; AND TWO OF WHOM ARE MEMBERS OF A SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE OR A SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE;

(II) A representative from each of the ~~parent information and resource centers in the state that are recognized by and receiving funding from the office of innovation and improvement in the federal department of education~~ TWO STATE-BASED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT SPECIALIZE IN PROMOTING THE INVOLVEMENT OF PARENTS OF TRADITIONALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS;

(III) A representative from ~~each of the parent training and information centers in~~

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

~~the state that are recognized by and receiving funding from the office of special education and rehabilitative services in the federal department of education~~ A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT SPECIALIZES IN PROMOTING THE INVOLVEMENT OF PARENTS OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES;

(IV) A representative from ~~each of two~~ A nonprofit ~~organizations~~ ORGANIZATION that ~~partner~~ PARTNERS with funding providers, state agencies, and service providers to assist organizations in providing services to improve the health and well-being of families and children;

(VI) ~~A representative of an organization that represents parents and students who advocate in the areas of equality and justice in education, racial justice for youth, and immigrant rights;~~

(XI) A representative of a statewide organization that represents career and college guidance counselors; AND

~~(XII) A representative of a statewide organization that represents career and technical education teachers; and~~

(c) Two persons appointed by the executive director of the department of higher education; ~~as follows:~~ AND

~~(f) One person with expertise in implementing an approved educator preparation program, as defined in section 23-1-121 (1) (a), C.R.S., at an institution of higher education in this state; and~~

~~(H) One person with expertise in the secondary-to-higher-education transition programs operated within the state; and~~

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-7-302, **add** (11) as follows:

**22-7-302. Definitions.** As used in this part 3, unless the context otherwise requires:

(11) "STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED IN THE STATE" MEANS STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT EACH CONSTITUTE AT LEAST TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION OF STUDENTS IN THE STATE, WHICH STUDENT POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE STUDENT POPULATIONS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-301 (3).

**SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-103, **add** (34.3) and (34.5) as follows:

**22-11-103. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(34.3) "STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN THE SCHOOL" MEANS STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT EACH CONSTITUTE AT LEAST TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION OF STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL, WHICH STUDENT POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE STUDENT

POPULATIONS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-301 (3).

(34.5) "STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REPRESENTED WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT" MEANS STUDENT POPULATIONS THAT EACH CONSTITUTE AT LEAST TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION OF STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHICH STUDENT POPULATIONS MAY INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE STUDENT POPULATIONS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-301 (3).

**SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 24, 2012