

## CHAPTER 56

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**EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS**


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## SENATE BILL 13-153

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## AN ACT

**CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE INTERAGENCY FARM-TO-SCHOOL COORDINATION TASK FORCE.**

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal** (3) (z.5) (II) as follows:

**2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

(z.5) December 31, 2013:

(II) ~~The interagency farm-to-school coordination task force created in section 22-82.6-104, C.R.S.;~~

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.6-104, **amend** (2) (a), (3) (a), (3) (d), and (4); and **add** (3) (f) as follows:

**22-82.6-104. Interagency farm-to-school coordination task force - creation - repeal.** (2) (a) The task force consists of ~~thirteen~~ FIFTEEN members as follows:

- (I) The commissioner of education or the commissioner's designee;
- (II) The commissioner of agriculture or the commissioner's designee;
- (III) The executive director of the department of public health and environment

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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.*

or the executive director's designee;

(IV) The executive director of the Colorado commission on higher education or the executive director's designee, FROM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COLORADO UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND EXTENSIONS;

(V) The following five members as selected by the member serving pursuant to subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (a):

(A) ~~Four~~ THREE representatives of school food service directors; ~~and~~

(B) A representative of ~~parent~~ LOCAL NONPROFIT COMMUNITY organizations engaged in farm to school or local food systems; and

(C) A PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER OR PRINCIPAL;

(VI) The following ~~four~~ FIVE members as selected by the member serving pursuant to subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (a):

(A) A representative of fruit and vegetable organizations;

(B) A representative of cattle ranching organizations;

(C) A representative of the western dairy association; ~~and~~

(D) A representative of a food distribution association; AND

(E) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A FARM, ORCHARD, OR RANCH IN COLORADO THAT SELLS PRODUCE, FRUIT, OR ANIMAL PRODUCTS TO AT LEAST ONE COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOL, SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES;

(VII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES MANAGEMENT FROM AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SELECTED BY THE MEMBER SERVING PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a); AND

(VIII) ANY NUMBER OF NONVOTING EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS AS DESIGNATED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE TASK FORCE.

(3) The task force shall study, develop, and recommend policies and methods to best implement a farm-to-school program, including:

(a) ~~Creating~~ ADVISING farm-to-school program pilots or expanding food focus education program pilots;

(d) Advising school districts on methods by which a school district may improve facilities to allow for the purchase and use of minimally processed and fresh and locally produced foods in school meals; ~~and~~

(f) EXPLORING VARIOUS STATEWIDE DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS TO TRACK FARM-TO-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

(4) The task force shall report its progress, findings, and recommendations to the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate, the senate agriculture and natural resources committee, and the house agriculture, livestock, and natural resources committee, or any successor committees, on or before February 1, ~~2013~~ 2015, AND EVERY FEBRUARY 1 EVERY TWO YEARS THEREAFTER.

**SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-82.6-104, **repeal** (5).

**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: March 22, 2013