

## HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY REPRESENTATIVE Lukens

1 Amend the Appropriations Committee Report, dated May 5, 2026, page  
2 1, strike line 1 and substitute:

3 "Amend reengrossed bill, page 3, line 26, strike "haven't" and substitute  
4 "have not".

5 Page 4, line 23, strike "and".

6 Page 4 of the bill, after line 23 insert:

7 "(m) Research demonstrates that high-quality early childhood  
8 education, including child care and preschool, produces significant  
9 long-term benefits, including improved school readiness, higher  
10 graduation rates, and greater lifetime earnings, and that every dollar  
11 invested in high-quality childhood education yields substantial returns to  
12 the state and its communities;

13 (n) Children who participate in high-quality, preschool and child  
14 care programs arrive in kindergarten better prepared to learn across  
15 language, math, and social-emotional domains, with the greatest benefits  
16 accruing to children from working families, rural communities, and  
17 multilingual households; and".

18 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.

19 Page 5 of the bill, strike lines 3 through 27."

20 Page 2 of the report, line 6, strike "2026-27"." and substitute "2026-27"  
21 and strike "EVERY" and substitute "EACH".

22 Page 2 of the report, line 7, strike "2026-27"." and substitute "2026-27"  
23 and strike "EVERY" and substitute "EACH".

24 Page 2 of the report, line 15, strike "TO FUND:"." and substitute "TO:".

25 Page 2 of the report, after line 15 insert:

26 "Page 11 of the bill, line 25, strike "INCREASING" and substitute  
27 "INCREASE".

28 Page 11 of the bill, line 26, strike "IMPROVING" and substitute  
29 "IMPROVE".

- 1 Page 2 of the report line 16, before "strike" insert "strike "LOWERING" and  
2 substitute "LOWER".
- 3 Page 2 of the report, after line 16 insert:
- 4 "Page 12 of the bill, line 1, strike "INCREASING" and substitute  
5 "INCREASE".".
- 6 Page 2 of the report, strike lines 19 and 20 and substitute:
- 7 "Page 12 of the bill, line 23, strike "22-54-103.7 (1)(i)." and substitute  
8 "22-54-104.7 (1)(f)".".
- 9 Page 2 of the report, after line 22 insert:
- 10 "Page 13 of the bill, lines 16 and 17, strike "JULY 1, 2027," and substitute  
11 "JULY 1, 2026,".
- 12 Page 13 of the bill, line 17, strike "AND" and substitute "BUT".".
- 13 Page 3 of the report, line 5, strike "EDUCATION" and substitute  
14 "EDUCATION, TO BE USED FOR SCHOOL SERVICES, DISABILITY SERVICES TO  
15 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, AND INCREASING ANNUAL CONTACT  
16 HOURS,".
- 17 Page 3 of the report, line 12, strike "and".
- 18 Page 3 of the report, strike line 13 and substitute ""THE", and strike  
19 "MAY" and substitute "SHALL APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER THE REMAINING  
20 MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT TO PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT COLORADO'S  
21 CHILDREN, PRIORITIZING CHILD CARE, FULL-DAY PRESCHOOL, AND OTHER  
22 PROGRAMS THAT PREPARE CHILDREN TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL.".
- 23 Page 13 of the bill, strike line 25."
- 24 Page 3 of the report, after line 16 insert:
- 25 "Page 14 of the bill, line 12, strike "CAP." and substitute "CAP, AS DEFINED  
26 IN SECTION 24-77-103.6 (6)(b)(I)".".
- 27 Page 14 of the bill, line 13, strike "(a)".".

- 1 Page 3 of the report, after line 22 insert:
- 2 "Page 15 of the bill, line 8, strike "SAME" and strike "AS".
- 3 Page 15 of the bill, line 18, strike "REVENUES" and substitute
- 4 "REVENUES,".
- 5 Page 16 of the bill, line 1, strike "(1)(a)" and substitute "(1)".
- 6 Page 3 of the report, line 27, strike "SAME".
- 7 Page 4 of the report, after line 3 insert:
- 8 "Page 18 of the bill, line 22, strike "24-77-301 (3)." and substitute
- 9 "24-77-301 (2)".".

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