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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING MODIFICATION OF THE SCHOOL SECURITY  
102 DISBURSEMENT PROGRAM.

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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>.)*

The bill modifies the definition for an "eligible nonprofit organization" that may receive a disbursement from the school security disbursement program. The modified definition requires that the nonprofit be based in Colorado and provide school safety incident response, violence prevention, and behavioral health training and expertise at no cost to local education providers, law enforcement agencies, and other

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

first responders from Colorado. The bill requires the department of public safety to disburse all grant money awarded pursuant to the disbursement program for use in the upcoming school year no later than August 1 of that same calendar year.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1810,  
3 **amend** (1)(c) introductory portion, (1)(c)(I), (1)(c)(III), (1)(c)(IV), and  
4 (2)(b); and **add** (1)(c)(V) as follows:

5 **24-33.5-1810. School security disbursement program - created**  
6 **- rules - definitions - repeal.**

7 (1) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

8 (c) "Eligible nonprofit organization" means a COLORADO-BASED  
9 nonprofit organization that is exempt from taxation under section 501  
10 (c)(3) of the federal "Internal Revenue Code of 1986", as amended, that  
11 applies to work with specific local education providers or first responders,  
12 and that:

13 (I) Has experience providing training for school safety incident  
14 response, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH;

15 (III) Has experience working with school districts, school  
16 personnel, and students on issues related to school safety incident  
17 response, ~~and~~ VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH;

18 (IV) Identifies in its application local education providers, LOCAL  
19 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, or OTHER LOCAL first responders that will  
20 participate in school safety incident response training or programs; AND

21 (V) COMMITS IN ITS APPLICATION TO PROVIDING ITS TRAINING TO  
22 ALL LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,  
23 AND OTHER LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS AT NO CHARGE.

1           (2) (b) Subject to available appropriations, the department shall  
2 disburse money to applicants as provided in subsection (5) of this section  
3 from money credited to the school security disbursement cash fund,  
4 created in section 24-33.5-1811. It is the intent of the general assembly  
5 that the department distribute the money credited to the school security  
6 disbursement cash fund as quickly as practicable based on the receipt of  
7 qualifying applications. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DISBURSE ALL GRANT  
8 MONEY AWARDED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FOR USE IN THE UPCOMING  
9 SCHOOL YEAR NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1 OF THAT CALENDAR YEAR.

10           **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
11 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
12 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
13 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a  
14 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
15 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
16 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
17 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
18 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
19 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.