

# An Act

SENATE BILL 26-173

BY SENATOR(S) Bridges and Bright, Frizell, Kipp, Kolker, Lindstedt, Marchman, Pelton R., Rodriguez, Coleman;  
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Lukens and Gilchrist, Bacon, Duran, English, Espenozza, Flanell, Keltie, Phillips, Rutinel, Rydin, Smith.

CONCERNING EXEMPTING TEACHER TRAINING IN CERTAIN FITNESS DISCIPLINES FROM REGULATION UNDER THE "PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION ACT OF 1981".

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-64-104, **amend** (1)(q); and **add** (1)(s) and (1)(t) as follows:

**23-64-104. Exemptions.**

(1) The following educational institutions and educational services are exempt from this article 64:

(q) Training of guides, trip leaders, and guide instructors by river outfitters licensed pursuant to section 33-32-104; ~~and~~

(s) PILATES TEACHER TRAINING COURSES, PROGRAMS, AND SCHOOLS;  
AND

(t) BARRE TEACHER TRAINING COURSES, PROGRAMS, AND SCHOOLS.

**SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless

approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.



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APPROVED on Thursday May 28th 2026 at 12:30pm  
(Date and Time)



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