

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 17, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1028 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend the Education Committee Report, dated February 5, 2026, page
- 2 1, strike lines 1 through 23.

- 3 Page 2 of the report, strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute:

- 4 "Amend printed bill, page 3, line 13, strike "(1)(a.7)" and substitute
- 5 "(1)(b.3)".

- 6 Page 3, strike lines 18 through 21.

- 7 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

- 8 Page 3, after line 26 insert:

- 9 (b.3) "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MEANS A STATE
- 10 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 23-18-102
- 11 (10), AND A LOCAL DISTRICT COLLEGE."

- 12 Page 4, strike lines 20 through 22 and substitute:

- 13 "(D) MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR REDESIGNATION AS DESCRIBED
- 14 IN THE COLORADO STANDARDIZED REDESIGNATION PROCEDURES FOR
- 15 MULTILINGUAL LEARNERS; AND"

- 16 Page 5, strike line 27.

- 17 Page 6, strike lines 1 and 2, and substitute:

1 "(II) MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR REDESIGNATION AS DESCRIBED
2 IN THE COLORADO STANDARDIZED REDESIGNATION PROCEDURES FOR
3 MULTILINGUAL LEARNERS; AND".

4 Page 6, line 25, strike "ENTITY." and substitute "ENTITY OR OTHER LOCAL
5 EDUCATION PROVIDER THAT OFFERS THE ENDORSEMENT THE STUDENT IS
6 SEEKING."

7 Page 6, strike lines 26 and 27.

8 Page 7, strike lines 1 through 5 and substitute:

9 "(b) PRIOR TO SEEKING A DIPLOMA ENDORSEMENT OF BILITERACY
10 OR BILINGUALISM FROM AN APPROVED ENTITY OR OTHER LOCAL
11 EDUCATION PROVIDER, A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MUST FIRST SEEK THE
12 ENDORSEMENT FROM THEIR OWN LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER. IF THE
13 STUDENT'S LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER DOES NOT OFFER THE
14 ENDORSEMENT AND CHOOSES NOT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO OFFER
15 THE ENDORSEMENT, THE STUDENT'S LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER MAY
16 ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER
17 OR APPROVED ENTITY THAT OFFERS A DIPLOMA ENDORSEMENT OF
18 BILITERACY OR BILINGUALISM, WHICHEVER ENDORSEMENT THE STUDENT
19 IS SEEKING."

20 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

21 Page 7, line 7, strike "APPROVED ENTITY" and substitute "STATE
22 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR OTHER LOCAL EDUCATION
23 PROVIDER".

24 Page 7, line 10, strike "AN APPROVED ENTITY" and substitute "A STATE
25 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR OTHER LOCAL EDUCATION
26 PROVIDER".

27 Page 7, line 12, strike "APPROVED ENTITY" and substitute "STATE
28 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OR OTHER LOCAL EDUCATION
29 PROVIDER".

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