

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

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Date

March 5, 2019

Committee on Education.

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

HB19-1203 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 4, after line 10 insert:

2 "(c) "RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT" MEANS A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN  
3 COLORADO THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CREATED IN SECTION  
4 24-1-115, DETERMINES IS RURAL, BASED ON THE GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF THE  
5 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE  
6 NEAREST LARGE, URBANIZED AREA."

7 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

8 Page 4, line 19, after "DEPARTMENT" insert "OF EDUCATION, CREATED IN  
9 SECTION 24-1-115,".

10 Page 5, line 4, after "(4)" insert "(a)", and strike the first "A" and  
11 substitute "EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (4)(b) OF THIS SECTION,  
12 A".

13 Page 5, after line 9 insert:

14 "(b) A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR RURAL SCHOOL  
15 DISTRICT AWARDED A GRANT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL FIRST  
16 MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO USE THE GRANT MONEY TO HIRE A SCHOOL  
17 NURSE FOR THE SELECTED SCHOOL OR SCHOOLS. IF A SMALL RURAL  
18 SCHOOL DISTRICT OR RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CAN DEMONSTRATE TO THE

1 DEPARTMENT THAT IT IS UNABLE TO FIND A SCHOOL NURSE TO FILL THE  
2 SCHOOL NURSE POSITION, THE SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR RURAL  
3 SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY USE THE GRANT MONEY TO CONTRACT WITH A  
4 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
5 25-1-506, A FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER AS DEFINED IN  
6 SECTION 25-3-101 (2)(a)(III)(A), OR OTHER SIMILAR COMMUNITY HEALTH  
7 CARE PROVIDER TO PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES TO THE SELECTED SCHOOL  
8 OR SCHOOLS. THE PERSON PROVIDING HEALTH SERVICES MUST MEET OR  
9 EXCEED THE ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF A SCHOOL  
10 NURSE."

11 Page 5, line 23, strike "DISTRICT;" and substitute "DISTRICT OR RURAL  
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT;"

13 Page 7, line 1, strike "DISTRICT;" and substitute "DISTRICT OR RURAL  
14 SCHOOL DISTRICT;"

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