

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

February 9, 2023
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

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

SB23-004 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, lines 4 and 5, strike "**school mental health**
2 **professionals**" and substitute "**school-based therapists**".
- 3 Page 2, lines 15 and 16, strike "MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS" and
4 substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPISTS".
- 5 Page 2, line 18, strike "MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS" and substitute
6 "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPISTS".
- 7 Page 2, line 20, strike "MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS" and substitute
8 "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPISTS".
- 9 Page 2, line 23, and page 3, line 1, strike "MENTAL HEALTH
10 PROFESSIONALS" and substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPISTS".
- 11 Page 3, line 1, strike "CRIMINAL" and substitute "FINGERPRINT-BASED
12 CRIMINAL HISTORY".
- 13 Page 3, line 7, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL"" and
14 substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST"".
- 15 Page 3, after line 19 insert:
16 "(b) "SCHOOL" MEANS A SCHOOL OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT, A
17 CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO PART
18 1 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF THIS TITLE 22, A CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY
19 THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE PURSUANT TO PART 5 OF ARTICLE
20 30.5 OF THIS TITLE 22, OR THE COLORADO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE

- 1 BLIND."
- 2 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.
- 3 Page 3, lines 21 and 22, strike "LAW BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE A LOCAL
4 COLLEGE DISTRICT." and substitute "LAW."
- 5 Page 3, line 23, strike "INSTITUTE AND" and substitute "INSTITUTE,".
- 6 Page 3, line 24, strike "SCHOOL." and substitute "SCHOOL, AND SCHOOLS
7 OPERATED BY THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES."
- 8 Page 3, line 26, after "A", insert "SCHOOL OR A".
- 9 Page 3, line 27, and page 4, line 1, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH
10 PROFESSIONAL." and substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST TO WORK IN
11 COORDINATION WITH LICENSED SPECIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS AT THE
12 SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT COORDINATING MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS
13 FOR STUDENTS."
- 14 Page 4, lines 1 and 2, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL"
15 and substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST".
- 16 Page 4, lines 3 and 4, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL"
17 and substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST".
- 18 Page 4, line 6, after "THE", insert "SCHOOL OR A".
- 19 Page 4, line 7, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL" and
20 substitute "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST".
- 21 Page 4, line 9, strike "MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL" and substitute
22 "SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST".
- 23 Page 4, after line 10 insert:
24 "(5) IF AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST PROVIDES SERVICES
25 TO A STUDENT RELATED TO THE STUDENT'S INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION
26 PROGRAM, AS DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 20 OF THIS
27 TITLE 22, THE ELIGIBLE SCHOOL-BASED THERAPIST MUST HAVE
28 QUALIFICATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE STUDENT'S INDIVIDUALIZED
29 EDUCATION PROGRAM."
- 30 Page 1, lines 101 and 102, strike "SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH

1 **PROFESSIONALS."** and substitute "**SCHOOL-BASED THERAPISTS."**

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