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HOUSE BILL 20-1011

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE "HELPING OTHERS MANAGE  
102 EARLY (HOME) CHILDHOOD ACT".

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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/>.)*

**Early Childhood and School Readiness Legislative Commission.** The bill creates the "Helping Others Manage Early (HOME) Childhood Act" (HOME Act). The HOME Act consists of 3 components:

- ! A public awareness campaign (campaign), implemented by a third-party entity contracted by the department of human

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.



1 (3) "EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL" MEANS AN EARLY CHILDHOOD  
2 COUNCIL IDENTIFIED OR ESTABLISHED LOCALLY IN COMMUNITIES  
3 THROUGHOUT THE STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-6.5-103 OR  
4 26-6.5-106.

5 (4) "HOME ACT" MEANS THE "HELPING OTHERS MANAGE EARLY  
6 (HOME) CHILDHOOD ACT" ESTABLISHED IN THIS PART 4.

7 **26-6.5-403. Public awareness campaign - timeline.** (1) THE  
8 DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT  
9 FOLLOWING A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS TO PROVIDE A  
10 STATEWIDE PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN CONCERNING THE IMPORTANCE  
11 OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. THE CAMPAIGN MUST BE IMPLEMENTED  
12 IN EACH COUNTY AND TARGET FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, FAMILIES  
13 WHO PROVIDE HOME-BASED EDUCATION TO THEIR CHILDREN, AND THE  
14 DIVERSE NETWORK OF EARLY CHILDHOOD CAREGIVERS IN THE STATE TO  
15 ENSURE THAT SUCH PEOPLE WHO ARE CONNECTED WITH EARLY  
16 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ARE AWARE OF:

17 (a) WHAT IS EXPECTED FROM EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION;

18 (b) WHAT A CHILD IS EXPECTED TO KNOW BY THE TIME THE CHILD  
19 REACHES KINDERGARTEN; AND

20 (c) WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE STATE RELATED TO  
21 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.

22 (2) (a) IN ORDER TO MEET THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE  
23 DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ON OR BEFORE  
24 AUGUST 1, 2020. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL AWARD THE CONTRACT ON OR  
25 BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, TO AN APPROPRIATE THIRD-PARTY ENTITY  
26 WITH THE CAPACITY TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE  
27 CAMPAIGN.

1 (b) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2021, THE ENTITY AWARDED THE  
2 CONTRACT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION SHALL  
3 DEVELOP AND SUBMIT ITS PLAN FOR THE CAMPAIGN TO THE DEPARTMENT  
4 FOR APPROVAL. THE CONTRACT ENTITY SHALL WORK COLLABORATIVELY  
5 WITH EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS AS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE. THE  
6 DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK COLLABORATIVELY WITH THE CONTRACT  
7 ENTITY TO APPROVE THE PLAN AND HAVE IT READY FOR IMPLEMENTATION  
8 ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2021.

9 (c) AFTER THE CONTRACT ENTITY'S CAMPAIGN PLAN HAS BEEN  
10 APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2)(b) OF THIS  
11 SECTION, THE CONTRACT ENTITY WILL BEGIN THE IMPLEMENTATION  
12 PROCESS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTIES OF THE STATE. THE CAMPAIGN  
13 MUST BE FULLY IN PLACE NO LATER THAN THE BEGINNING OF THE 2021-22  
14 ACADEMIC YEAR.

15 **26-6.5-404. Workshops - skills and licensure requirements -**  
16 **child care availability.** (1) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH  
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS,  
18 SHALL DEVELOP A SERIES OF MULTICOUNTY WORKSHOPS FOR EARLY  
19 CHILDHOOD PROVIDERS. THE PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOPS IS TO PROVIDE  
20 EARLY CHILDHOOD PROVIDERS WITH:

21 (a) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE NECESSARY SKILLS TO  
22 ADEQUATELY PERFORM THEIR JOBS; AND

23 (b) INFORMATION CONCERNING CAREER PATHWAYS, AS WELL AS  
24 LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES, FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD  
25 PROVIDERS.

26 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOST THE MULTICOUNTY WORKSHOPS  
27 THROUGHOUT THE 2021-22 ACADEMIC YEAR.

1 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE ADEQUATE CHILD CARE FOR  
2 WORKSHOP ATTENDEES TO ALLOW FOR MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE.

3 **26-6.5-405. Regional workshops - creating an early child care**  
4 **center or preschool - quality - child care availability.** (1) THE  
5 DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS,  
6 SHALL DEVELOP A SERIES OF REGIONAL WORKSHOPS THAT INSTRUCT  
7 PARTICIPANTS ON:

8 (a) HOW TO START AN EARLY CHILD CARE CENTER OR PRESCHOOL;

9 (b) THE ELEMENTS OF THE COLORADO SHINES QUALITY RATING  
10 AND IMPROVEMENT SYSTEM, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 26-6.5-106, AND  
11 WAYS TO IMPROVE QUALITY; AND

12 (c) LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR CHILD CARE  
13 CENTERS AND PRESCHOOLS.

14 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOST THE REGIONAL WORKSHOPS  
15 FROM MAY THROUGH AUGUST OF 2022.

16 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE ADEQUATE CHILD CARE FOR  
17 WORKSHOP ATTENDEES TO ALLOW FOR MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE.

18 **26-6.5-406. Repeal of part.** THIS PART 4 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE  
19 SEPTEMBER 1, 2023. BEFORE THE REPEAL, THIS PART 4 IS SCHEDULED FOR  
20 REVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-34-104.

21 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **add**  
22 (24)(a)(XIII) as follows:

23 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**  
24 **and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative**  
25 **declaration - repeal.** (24) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both,  
26 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2023:

27 (XIII) THE "HELPING OTHERS MANAGE EARLY (HOME)

1 CHILDHOOD ACT" CREATED IN PART 4 OF ARTICLE 6.5 OF TITLE 26.

2           **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
3 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.