

CHAPTER 108

**EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**HOUSE BILL 93-1265**

BY REPRESENTATIVES Greenwood, Hagedorn, R. Hernandez, and Pierson;  
also SENATORS Schaffer, Ruddick, Meiklejohn, R. Powers, Norton, and Tebedo.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING THE EXCLUSION OF PUPILS WHO ARE EXPELLED FROM THE CALCULATION OF DROPOUT RATES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 22-2-114.1 (3) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., is amended to read:

**22-2-114.1. Dropout rates - collection of data on grades seven through twelve and development of plans.** (3) (a) For the purposes of this section, a "dropout" means a person who leaves school for any reason, except EXPULSION OR death, before completion of a high school diploma or its equivalent and who does not transfer to another public or private school or enroll in an approved home study program.

**SECTION 2.** 22-33-105, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

**22-33-105. Suspension, expulsion, and denial of admission.** (2.5) EACHBOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS EXPELLED FROM SCHOOLS WITHIN THE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-4-903, C.R.S. ANY PUPIL WHO IS EXPELLED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN CALCULATING THE DROPOUT RATE FOR THE SCHOOL FROM WHICH SUCH STUDENT IS EXPELLED OR IN CALCULATING THE DROPOUT RATE FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH SUCH PUPIL WAS ENROLLED PRIOR TO BEING EXPELLED.

**SECTION 3.** 25-4-903 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1989 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

**25-4-903. Exceptions from immunization.** (1) A student who transfers into a school may enter school provisionally and shall have sixty days in which to submit a certificate of immunization. Any student for whom a certificate of immunization is not submitted within sixty days shall be suspended or expelled from school until a certificate of immunization is provided. ANY STUDENT EXPELLED PURSUANT TO THIS PART 9 SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN CALCULATING THE DROPOUT RATE FOR THE SCHOOL FROM WHICH SUCH STUDENT WAS EXPELLED OR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH SUCH STUDENT WAS ENROLLED PRIOR TO BEING EXPELLED. SUCH STUDENT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NUMBER OF EXPELLED STUDENTS PREPARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-33-105, C.R.S.

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

Approved: April 12, 1993