

## CHAPTER 149

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**EDUCATION - UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES**

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**HOUSE BILL 05-1027**

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also SENATOR(S) Groff, Entz, Fitz-Gerald, Jones, Kester, Sandoval, Spence, Tapia, Taylor, Teck, and Tupa.

**AN ACT****CONCERNING COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.**

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

**SECTION 1.** Article 1 of title 23, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

**23-1-119.2. Commission directive - notice of college preparatory courses for high school students.** (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT A POLICY ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005, TO:

(a) OBTAIN, ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1 OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, FROM THE TEST ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE STANDARDIZED, CURRICULUM-BASED, ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-409 (1.5) (a), C.R.S., AND THE PRECOLLEGIATE EXAM THE NAMES AND MAILING ADDRESSES OF ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHO TAKE EITHER EXAM;

(b) BEGINNING IN THE SPRING OF 2006, SEND AN ANNUAL NOTICE CONCERNING COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES TO THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF EACH STUDENT WHO TAKES THE STANDARDIZED, CURRICULUM-BASED, ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-409 (1.5) (a), C.R.S., OR THE PRECOLLEGIATE EXAM. THE NOTICE SHALL BE SENT TO THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN PRIOR TO THE START OF A STUDENT'S TWELFTH-GRADE YEAR IF THE STUDENT TOOK THE STANDARDIZED, CURRICULUM-BASED, ACHIEVEMENT, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM, OR PRIOR TO THE START OF A STUDENT'S ELEVENTH-GRADE YEAR IF THE STUDENT TOOK THE PRECOLLEGIATE EXAM. AT A MINIMUM, THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE:

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

(I) A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES AN INADEQUATE SCORE IN MATHEMATICS, WRITING, OR READING, BASED ON THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION;

(II) INFORMATION REGARDING A STUDENT'S ABILITY TO TAKE BASIC, PRECOLLEGIATE SKILLS COURSES WHILE ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL; AND

(III) NOTICE THAT A STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MAY CONTACT THE SCHOOL IN WHICH THE STUDENT IS ENROLLED IF HE OR SHE DESIRES TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE STUDENT TO ADDRESS THE COURSE WORK NEEDED TO MEET THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION.

**SECTION 2.** 22-32-109 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

**22-32-109. Board of education - specific duties - repeal.** (1) In addition to any other duty required to be performed by law, each board of education shall have and perform the following specific duties:

(hh) TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A STUDENT ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF THE DISTRICT TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ACADEMIC REMEDIATION UPON THE REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

**SECTION 3.** 22-30.5-505 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

**22-30.5-505. State charter school institute - institute board - appointment - powers and duties - rules.** (3) The mission of the institute board shall be to foster high-quality public school choices offered through institute charter schools, including particularly schools for at-risk students. In discharging its duties pursuant to this part 5, the institute shall:

(I) PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A STUDENT ENROLLED IN AN INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR ACADEMIC REMEDIATION UPON THE REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

**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: May 24, 2005