

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Education.

HB26-1094 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-1-151 as
4 follows:

5 **22-1-151. Department guidance policies - review by local**
6 **education provider employees - definitions.**

7 (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
8 REQUIRES:

9 (a) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

10 (b) "GUIDANCE POLICY" MEANS A WRITTEN OR PUBLISHED
11 COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT THAT EXPLAINS OR INTERPRETS
12 EXISTING STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, RULE, OR POLICY AND DOES NOT
13 CREATE, MODIFY, OR EXPAND A LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER'S LEGAL
14 RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS, OR STANDARDS.

15 (c) "LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER" MEANS A SCHOOL DISTRICT, A
16 BOARD OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES CREATED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5 OF
17 THIS TITLE 22, A CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT
18 PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF THIS TITLE 22, AND A CHARTER
19 SCHOOL AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE
20 PURSUANT TO PART 5 OF ARTICLE 30.5 OF THIS TITLE 22.

21 (2) WHEN THE DEPARTMENT PROPOSES A NEW GUIDANCE POLICY
22 OR REVISIONS TO AN EXISTING GUIDANCE POLICY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
23 EMAIL THE PROPOSED GUIDANCE POLICY TO AT LEAST ONE EMPLOYEE OF
24 EACH LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER, AS DETERMINED BY THE LOCAL
25 EDUCATION PROVIDER.

26 (3) THE LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER EMPLOYEE WHO RECEIVED
27 THE PROPOSED GUIDANCE POLICY PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
28 SECTION MUST HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO THE
29 DEPARTMENT ON THE PROPOSED GUIDANCE POLICY AND SHALL SEND THE
30 DEPARTMENT AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION THE FEEDBACK NO
31 LATER THAN TWO WEEKS AFTER RECEIVING THE PROPOSED GUIDANCE
32 POLICY.

33 (4) THIS SECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE A LOCAL EDUCATION
34 PROVIDER TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON A PROPOSED GUIDANCE POLICY.

35 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
36 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
37 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
38 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a
39 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
40 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act

1 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
2 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
3 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
4 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor."

5 Page 1, strike lines 102 through 104 and substitute "**DEPARTMENT OF**
6 **EDUCATION.**".

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