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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING REVIEWING THE DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**
102 **IMPOSED ON PRESCHOOL-THROUGH-TWELFTH-GRADE PUBLIC**
103 **EDUCATION PROVIDERS.**

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://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)

The bill directs the department of education (department) to contract with an entity to review the statutory and regulatory data reporting requirements and implementation of the department's data reporting system. The department must work with members of the education data advisory committee (EDAC) in selecting and working with

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

the entity. The department must submit the final report to the EDAC, the state board of education, and the education committees of the general assembly by January 31, 2016, and must post the report on the department's web site.

Under current law, the education data advisory committee (EDAC) within the department consists of at least 5 volunteer school districts, 2 volunteer boards of cooperative services, and a volunteer charter school. Under the bill, at least 2 of the volunteer school district members of the EDAC must be rural school districts that enroll fewer than 1,000 students.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-2-310 as
3 follows:

4 **22-2-310. Data reporting requirements - study - report -**
5 **repeal.** (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONTRACT WITH AN ENTITY TO
6 REVIEW THE EXISTING STATE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY DATA
7 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THERE ARE DATA
8 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS THAT SHOULD BE REPEALED BECAUSE THEY DO
9 NOT PROVIDE NECESSARY DATA OR BECAUSE THE BURDEN ON SCHOOL
10 DISTRICTS, BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, AND CHARTER SCHOOLS
11 OF COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS IS OUTWEIGHED BY THE VALUE
12 OF THE DATA REPORTED. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT THE
13 ENTITY THAT IT CONTRACTS WITH FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IS NOT
14 AFFILIATED IN ANY MANNER WITH AN ENTITY THAT COLLECTS OR
15 PROCESSES DATA OF ANY TYPE FOR THE DEPARTMENT, A SCHOOL DISTRICT,
16 THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, OR A CHARTER SCHOOL. IN
17 ADDITION TO RECOMMENDING REQUIREMENTS THAT CAN BE ELIMINATED,
18 THE CONTRACT ENTITY AT A MINIMUM SHALL:

19 (a) RECOMMEND REPORTS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED BIENNIALY
20 OR LESS OFTEN;

1 (b) REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DEPARTMENT'S DATA
2 REPORTING SYSTEM;

3 (c) RECOMMEND MEASURES TO LESSEN THE DIFFICULTIES AND
4 BURDENS OF IMPLEMENTING THE DATA REPORTING SYSTEM FOR SCHOOL
5 DISTRICTS;

6 (d) RECOMMEND GUIDELINES AND MEASURES FOR PROTECTING
7 STUDENT PRIVACY AS IT RELATES TO THE DATA THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
8 BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, AND CHARTER SCHOOLS REPORT AND
9 THE DEPARTMENT MAINTAINS;

10 (e) RECOMMEND SECURITY PROTOCOLS THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
11 BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND THE
12 DEPARTMENT SHOULD FOLLOW IN SUBMITTING AND MANAGING DATA;

13 (f) RECOMMEND GUIDELINES FOR RETAINING DATA, INCLUDING
14 THE LENGTH OF TIME FOR WHICH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, BOARDS OF
15 COOPERATIVE SERVICES, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY
16 RETAIN DATA; AND

17 (g) RECOMMEND THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF DATA COLLECTION TO
18 GUIDE DECISIONS REGARDING WHETHER TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
19 BOARDS OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES, AND CHARTER SCHOOLS TO COLLECT
20 DATA.

21 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM
22 THE EDAC, AT LEAST TWO OF WHOM ARE FROM SMALL RURAL SCHOOL
23 DISTRICTS, TO:

24 (a) WRITE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AN ENTITY TO
25 COMPLETE THE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS DESCRIBED IN
26 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION;

27 (b) REVIEW THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED AND SELECT AN ENTITY

1 WITH WHICH TO CONTRACT;

2 (c) REVIEW PROGRESS REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE ENTITY AND
3 PROVIDE INPUT ON THE WORK; AND

4 (d) REVIEW THE FINAL REPORT.

5 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT THE FINAL REPORT TO THE
6 EDAC, THE STATE BOARD, AND THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE
7 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
8 COMMITTEES, NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 31, 2016. THE DEPARTMENT
9 SHALL ALSO MAKE THE FINAL REPORT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC
10 THROUGH ITS WEB SITE.

11 (4) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016.

12 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-303, **add** (6.5)
13 as follows:

14 **22-2-303. Definitions.** As used in this part 3, unless the context
15 otherwise requires:

16 (6.5) "SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT" MEANS A SCHOOL
17 DISTRICT THAT IS RURAL, BASED ON THE GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF THE SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT AND THE DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE NEAREST
19 LARGE, URBANIZED AREA, AND ENROLLS FEWER THAN ONE THOUSAND
20 STUDENTS.

21 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-2-304, **amend** (1)
22 as follows:

23 **22-2-304. Education data advisory committee - creation -**
24 **duties - repeal.** (1) The state board shall designate at least five volunteer
25 school districts and two volunteer boards of cooperative services and a
26 volunteer charter school, that are representative of the state as to pupil
27 size and population, to send representatives to form a voluntary

1 committee, to be known as the education data advisory committee. AT
2 LEAST TWO OF THE VOLUNTEER SCHOOL DISTRICTS MUST BE SMALL RURAL
3 SCHOOL DISTRICTS. The EDAC shall work with the department to review
4 school district data reporting requirements and make recommendations
5 as provided in this section.

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