

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Education.

HB25-1278 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 6, line 26, after "(2)(c)(IV)" insert "and (3)".

2 Page 7, line 1, strike "- **rules.**" and substitute "- **accountability work group - rules.**".

4 Page 8, after line 1 insert:

5 "(3) (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONVENE AN ACCOUNTABILITY
6 WORK GROUP TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO THE DEPARTMENT RELATED TO
7 STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY POLICIES AND DECISIONS AND TO
8 MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE STATE BOARD. THE COMMISSIONER
9 SHALL APPOINT, AT A MINIMUM, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO SERVE ON
10 THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP:

11 (I) FOUR MEMBERS WHO SERVE AS SUPERINTENDENTS WHO
12 REPRESENT DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE STATE, INCLUDING A
13 SUPERINTENDENT WHO REPRESENTS A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT;

14 (II) FIVE MEMBERS WHO SERVE AS SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT
15 LEADERS;

16 (III) ONE MEMBER WHO SERVES AS A CHARTER SCHOOL LEADER;
17 (IV) ONE MEMBER WHO WORKS FOR A BOARD OF COOPERATIVE
18 SERVICES;

19 (V) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION
20 SERVING SCHOOL EXECUTIVES;

21 (VI) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION
22 REPRESENTING LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS;

23 (VII) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE
24 ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING EDUCATORS;

25 (VIII) TWO MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT AN EDUCATION ADVOCACY
26 ORGANIZATION OR A CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATION; AND

27 (IX) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A PARENT OR WHO REPRESENTS AN
28 ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION.

29 (b) THE MEMBERS OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP SHALL
30 SERVE AT THE WILL OF THE COMMISSIONER AND SHALL NOT RECEIVE
31 COMPENSATION OR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES.

32 (c) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONVENE MEETINGS OF THE
33 ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP AS NECESSARY AND WITHIN EXISTING
34 APPROPRIATIONS.

35 (d) THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO
36 THE PUBLIC.".

37 Page 37, line 15, strike "PANEL" and substitute "PANEL, A COUNCIL THAT

1 FOCUSES ON RURAL EDUCATION, THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP
2 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-202 (3),".

3 Page 37, line 25, strike "PANEL" and substitute "PANEL, A COUNCIL THAT
4 FOCUSES ON RURAL EDUCATION, THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP
5 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-202 (3),".

6 Page 38, line 13, strike "NOVEMBER 1, 2026," and substitute "NOVEMBER
7 1, 2028,".

8 Page 38, line 12, after "SECTION 22-11-204 (4.5)." add "AS ONE PORTION
9 OF THE STUDY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER INCLUDING IN THE
10 COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS BEFORE GRADUATION SUB-INDICATOR
11 THE PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO GRADUATE WITH A STEM DIPLOMA
12 ENDORSEMENT, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-1009.3; A DIPLOMA
13 ENDORSEMENT IN BILITERACY, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-1009.5; OR
14 GRADUATING WITH A SEAL OF CLIMATE LITERACY DIPLOMA
15 ENDORSEMENT, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-7-1009.7.

16 Page 39, line 5, after "ON" insert "SHORTENING STATEWIDE ASSESSMENTS
17 AND".

18 Page 39, line 14, strike "TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL" and substitute
19 "ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-202 (3)".

20 Page 40, line 26, after "ASSESSMENTS." add "AS ONE PORTION OF THE
21 STUDY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF INCLUDING
22 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE WORKING TOWARD EXTENDED
23 EVIDENCE OUTCOMES AND WHO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION
24 IN THE GRADUATION STUDENT COUNT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-204
25 (4.5).".

26 Page 41, line 5, strike "STUDY," and substitute "STAKEHOLDER
27 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS,".

28 Page 41, line 6, strike "TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL" and substitute
29 "ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-202 (3)".

30 Page 41, lines 14 and 15, strike "TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL," and
31 substitute "ACCOUNTABILITY WORK GROUP DESCRIBED IN SECTION
32 22-11-202 (3),".

33 Page 42, line 6, strike "DATA." and substitute "DATA, INCLUDING DATA

1 MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE STATEWIDE
2 LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM CREATED IN SECTION 24-37.5-125 (2)(a).".

3 Page 42, strike line 8 and substitute "GATHER STAKEHOLDER INPUT ON
4 THE SPECIFIC DATA ELEMENTS AND VISUAL REPORTING FORMAT FOR THE
5 STATEWIDE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY DASHBOARD. THE DEPARTMENT
6 SHALL SUMMARIZE THE STAKEHOLDER INPUT, THE ESTIMATED COST FOR
7 INCORPORATING DATA ELEMENTS, AND REPORTING FORMATS WITH THE
8 STATE BOARD INTO A REPORT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT THE
9 REPORT TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES,
11 AND THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE
12 APPROPRIATIONS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CREATE A STATEWIDE
13 EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY DASHBOARD. ON THE".

14 Strike "PANEL" and substitute "PANEL, THE ACCOUNTABILITY WORK
15 GROUP DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-11-202 (3)," on: **Page 38**, lines 9 and
16 19; **Page 39**, line 3; and **Page 40**, lines 1, 13, and 23.

17 Strike "NOVEMBER 1, 2026," and substitute "NOVEMBER 1, 2027," on:
18 **Page 38**, lines 3 and 24; **Page 39**, line 22; **Page 40**, lines 7, 17, and 27;
19 and **Page 41**, lines 9 and 18.

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