

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

February 23, 2023
Date

Committee on Education.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB23-1025 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 12 strike "APRIL 1." and substitute
2 "APRIL 1, EIGHTEEN MONTHS BEFORE THE CHARTER SCHOOL IS SET TO
3 OPEN."

4 Page 3, line 19, after the period insert: "AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION
5 22-2-117,".

6 Page 3, line 20, strike "THE" and substitute "THE".

7 Page 3, after line 27 insert:

8 **"SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-30.5-107.3
9 as follows:

10 **22-30.5-107.3. Optional charter school application timeline for**
11 **rural school districts.** (1) A SCHOOL DISTRICT DESIGNATED AS RURAL OR
12 SMALL RURAL BY THE DEPARTMENT MAY EITHER ACCEPT CHARTER
13 APPLICATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-30.5-107 OR, UPON NOTICE TO
14 THE DEPARTMENT AND THE PUBLIC THROUGH POSTING ON THE SCHOOL
15 DISTRICT'S WEBSITE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ACCEPT CHARTER
16 APPLICATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-30.5-107 WITH THE FOLLOWING
17 MODIFICATIONS:

18 (a) THE TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF A CHARTER APPLICATION IS FROM
19 JUNE 1 THROUGH AUGUST 1, OR THE FIRST WEEKDAY AFTER AUGUST 1, AS
20 LONG AS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS A METHOD TO RECEIVE PHYSICAL OR
21 ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS DURING THAT TIME;

22 (b) IF APPLICABLE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL NOTIFY
23 APPLICANTS THAT AN APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE NO LATER THAN
24 AUGUST 15 OR THE FIRST WEEKDAY AFTER AUGUST 15;

1 (c) REVIEW BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY
2 COMMITTEE, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 22-30.5-107 (1.5), IS PERMITTED
3 BUT NOT REQUIRED;

4 (d) THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD SHALL RULE BY RESOLUTION ON
5 THE APPLICATION NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15 OR THE FIRST WEEKDAY
6 AFTER OCTOBER 15; AND

7 (e) THE STATE BOARD SHALL HEAR APPEALS PURSUANT TO
8 SECTION 22-30.5-108 (3)(a) WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE A
9 NOTICE OF APPEAL IS FILED."

10 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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