

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

March 7, 2024
Date

Committee on Education.

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

HB24-1216 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 4, line 19, before "ALTERNATE" insert
2 "AVAILABLE".

- 3 Page 4, line 22, strike "PROVIDER" and substitute "PROVIDER, SO LONG AS
4 THE STUDENT IS ELIGIBLE FOR ENROLLMENT, AS DETERMINED BY THE
5 LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDER PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-33-104,".

- 6 Page 5, after line 11, insert:
7 "(d) A PLAN FOR GRADUATION DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH
8 THE JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENT, THE STUDENT'S FAMILY, CAREGIVER OR
9 ADVOCATE. THE PLAN MUST CONSIDER ALL PRIOR COURSEWORK
10 COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT. IN DEVELOPING THE PLAN, THE TEAM SHALL
11 MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ACCOUNT FOR ALL CREDITS EARNED BY THE
12 JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENT AND CLARIFY REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW THE
13 JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENT TO COMPLETE THE STUDENT'S HIGH SCHOOL
14 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.".

- 15 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

- 16 Page 6, line 23, strike "PROGRAMS;" and substitute "PROGRAMS THAT ARE
17 AVAILABLE WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES;".

- 18 Page 7, line 4, strike "**training**" and substitute "**guidance**".

- 19 Page 7, line 10, strike "MUST" and substitute "SHOULD".

- 20 Page 7, line 19, strike "FRONTIER" and substitute "SMALL".

- 1 Page 7, line 24, strike "COMPLETE THE TRAINING" and substitute "READ
2 AND UNDERSTAND THE GUIDANCE".
- 3 Page 7, line 25, strike "SECTION. THE" and substitute "SECTION UPON
4 DESIGNATION AS THE POINT-OF-CONTACT".
- 5 Page 7, strike lines 26 and 27.
- 6 Page 8, strike line 1.
- 7 Page 8, line 2, strike "TWO HOURS."
- 8 Page 8, line 3, strike "SERVICES," and substitute "SERVICES".
- 9 Page 8, strike line 4 and substitute "AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS ENROLLED
10 IN THE LOCAL EDUCATION".
- 11 Page 8, line 7, strike "A TRAINING" and substitute "GUIDANCE".
- 12 Page 8, line 16, strike "THE" and substitute "ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1,
13 2025, THE" and strike "THE TRAINING AND" and substitute "GUIDANCE AND
14 MAKE IT AVAILABLE TO LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS ONLINE AND IN
15 MODULES FOR EASE OF ACCESS."
- 16 Page 8, strike line 17.
- 17 Page 8, line 18, strike "BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2025."
- 18 Page 8, lines 19 and 20, strike "IS FULLY TRAINED" and substitute "HAS
19 COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE GUIDANCE DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO
20 THIS SUBSECTION (2)(b)".
- 21 Page 9, strike lines 10 through 27.
- 22 Page 10, strike lines 1 through 5 and substitute:
- 23 "(4) UPON NOTIFICATION OR REQUEST, A LOCAL EDUCATION
24 PROVIDER WILL WORK WITH THE TEAM OF PROFESSIONALS, INCLUDING THE
25 MULTI-TIERED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORTS AND APPROPRIATE INTERVENTION
26 TEAMS, FAMILIES, AND JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENTS, TO ENSURE A
27 PATHWAY TO GRADUATION THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH REQUIREMENTS SET
28 FORTH IN SECTIONS 22-2-106, 22-2-406, AND 22-32-109, INCLUDING
29 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES, ACCESS TO ALTERNATIVE

1 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING, AND MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHER
2 SUPPORTS AS AND IF APPROPRIATE AND AVAILABLE. THE TEAM SHALL
3 DEVELOP A PLAN TO GUIDE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE SUPPORTS."

4 Page 10, strike lines 13 through 27 and substitute:

5 **"22-108-105. Justice-engaged students interagency working**
6 **group - duties - recommendations - rules.** (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1,
7 2024, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONVENE AN INTERAGENCY WORKING
8 GROUP COMPRISED OF MEMBERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
9 AS APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER; THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
10 SERVICES, AS APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; THE DIVISION OF
11 YOUTH SERVICES, AS APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, AS
13 APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

14 (2) THE INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP SHALL, AT A MINIMUM,
15 REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
16 EDUCATION AND THE JOINT EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF
17 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2024,
18 REGARDING:

19 (a) CRITERIA AND A MECHANISM FOR IDENTIFYING AND
20 QUANTIFYING THE NUMBER OF JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENTS;

21 (b) INDICATORS OF AND CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO ACADEMIC
22 ATTAINMENT;

23 (c) DATA-SHARING AGREEMENTS AND REGULATORY AND
24 STATUTORY CHANGES REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS;

25 (d) ADDITIONAL FUNDING OR SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS REQUIRED
26 TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE PURSUANT TO THIS
27 SUBSECTION (2); AND

28 (e) ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE INTERAGENCY
29 WORKING GROUP FINDS RELEVANT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND OUTCOMES
30 FOR JUSTICE-ENGAGED STUDENTS AND WAYS THE STATE CAN SUPPORT
31 THIS POPULATION.

32 (3) THE INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP SHALL CONSULT WITH
33 LOCAL EDUCATION PROVIDERS TO DETERMINE WHAT DATA IS NEEDED BY
34 DECEMBER 31, 2024.

35 (4) ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2025, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
36 SHALL PROMULGATE ANY NECESSARY RULES OR REQUEST STATUTORY
37 CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE
38 INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP."

39 Page 11, line 3, strike "SECURE FACILITY," and substitute "FACILITY
40 OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,".

- 1 Page 11, strike lines 10 through 14 and substitute "TO ENSURE THAT
- 2 YOUTH IN CUSTODY HAVE ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
- 3 AND RECEIVE CREDITS FOR ANY WORK COMPLETED UPON THE YOUTH'S
- 4 RETURN TO THE TRADITIONAL EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT. THE PROCESS
- 5 AND".

- 6 Page 14, strike lines 15 through 27.

- 7 Page 15, strike lines 1 through 16.

- 8 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

- 9 Strike "TRAINING" and substitute "GUIDANCE" on: **Page 8**, lines 9, 23, and
- 10 27; and **Page 11**, line 16.

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