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**HOUSE BILL 19-1110**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**House Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING IMPLEMENTING MEDIA LITERACY IN ELEMENTARY AND**  
102 **SECONDARY EDUCATION.**

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**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://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill creates the media literacy advisory committee (committee) within the department of education (department). The committee is responsible for studying media literacy and creating a report for the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate regarding the committee's findings and recommendations for implementing media literacy in elementary and secondary education.

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

The bill requires the department to implement media literacy in elementary and secondary education standards based upon the committee's report.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 22-2-145 as  
3 follows:

4 **22-2-145. Media literacy - committee - report - strategic plan**  
5 **- definition - repeal.** (1) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE  
6 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES, "MEDIA LITERACY" MEANS THE:

7 (a) ABILITY TO ACCESS, ANALYZE, EVALUATE, CREATE, AND ACT  
8 THROUGH THE VARIOUS FORMS OF MEDIA;

9 (b) ABILITY TO ANALYZE THE RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION,  
10 CLAIMS, AND SOURCES PRESENTED IN THE VARIOUS FORMS OF MEDIA; AND

11 (c) PRACTICE OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP, INCLUDING NORMS OF  
12 APPROPRIATE AND RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR AND DISCOURSE WHEN  
13 ENGAGING WITH MEDIA, AND THE PREVENTION OF CYBERBULLYING.

14 (2) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE  
15 MEDIA LITERACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS  
16 THE "COMMITTEE". THE COMMITTEE SHALL CREATE A REPORT CONTAINING  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS AND BEST PRACTICES FOR IMPLEMENTING MEDIA  
18 LITERACY INTO ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.

19 (a) THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION SHALL APPOINT THE  
20 FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE:

21 (I) ONE MEMBER WHO IS AN ACADEMIC EXPERT IN MEDIA  
22 LITERACY;

23 (II) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A TEACHER IN A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
24 OR A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-7-1211

1 (4), AND HOLDS AN INITIAL OR PROFESSIONAL TEACHER'S LICENSE  
2 PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 60.5 OF TITLE 22;

3 (III) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A TEACHER IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT  
4 IS NOT A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
5 AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-7-1211 (4), AND HOLDS AN INITIAL OR  
6 PROFESSIONAL TEACHER'S LICENSE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 60.5 OF TITLE  
7 22;

8 (IV) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A LIBRARIAN AND IS A MEMBER OF A  
9 PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIBRARIANS;

10 (V) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR IN A RURAL  
11 SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS DEFINED IN  
12 SECTION 22-7-1211 (4), AND IS A MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL  
13 ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS;

14 (VI) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR IN A SCHOOL  
15 DISTRICT THAT IS NOT A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A SMALL SCHOOL  
16 DISTRICT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 22-7-1211 (4), AND IS A MEMBER OF A  
17 PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS;

18 (VII) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A  
19 STUDENT WHO ATTENDS A PUBLIC SCHOOL AND IS A MEMBER OF A PARENT  
20 ORGANIZATION;

21 (VIII) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A STUDENT IN A RURAL SCHOOL  
22 DISTRICT OR A SMALL RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION  
23 22-7-1211 (4); AND

24 (IX) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A STUDENT IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT  
25 IS NOT A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OR A SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS  
26 DEFINED IN SECTION 22-7-1211 (4).

27 (b) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO

1 SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE:

2 (I) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION  
3 SPECIALIZING IN MEDIA LITERACY;

4 (II) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION  
5 SPECIALIZING IN JOURNALISM;

6 (III) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A PROFESSIONAL PRINT JOURNALIST AND  
7 IS A MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JOURNALISTS; AND

8 (IV) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A PROFESSIONAL BROADCAST  
9 JOURNALIST AND IS A MEMBER OF A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
10 BROADCASTERS.

11 (c) THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION AND THE GOVERNOR SHALL  
12 MAKE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE NO LATER THAN JULY 15,  
13 2019, AND THE COMMITTEE SHALL CONVENE NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER  
14 1, 2019.

15 (3) THE REPORT CREATED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION  
16 MUST INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:

17 (a) RECOMMENDED REVISIONS TO STATE EDUCATION STANDARDS  
18 FOR READING, WRITING, AND CIVICS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-7-1005  
19 (2)(a), TO IMPLEMENT MEDIA LITERACY IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
20 EDUCATION;

21 (b) BEST PRACTICES AND MODELS FOR INSTRUCTION IN MEDIA  
22 LITERACY;

23 (c) RECOMMENDED MATERIALS AND RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS TO  
24 ADOPT FOR MEDIA LITERACY INSTRUCTION;

25 (d) RECOMMENDED LEGISLATION OR RULES TO IMPLEMENT MEDIA  
26 LITERACY IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION;

27 (e) BEST PRACTICES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DEVELOP POLICIES

1 AND PROCEDURES REGARDING MEDIA LITERACY;

2 (f) STRATEGIES TO SUPPORT SCHOOL DISTRICTS IMPLEMENTING  
3 THE BEST PRACTICES AND RECOMMENDATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE  
4 COMMITTEE; AND

5 (g) RECOMMENDED OPPORTUNITIES TO RECOGNIZE STUDENTS AND  
6 TEACHERS WHO DEMONSTRATE EXCELLENCE IN MEDIA LITERACY.

7 (4) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2020, THE COMMITTEE SHALL  
8 SUBMIT THE WRITTEN REPORT OF ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
9 DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION TO THE  
10 EDUCATION COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE  
11 SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

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13 (5) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

14 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
15 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
16 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.