

HB23-1198

Teacher Externship Program for STEM Disciplines Rep. Titone

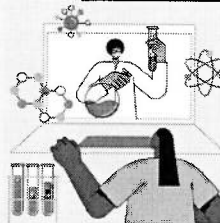
SUMMARY

The bill establishes a teacher externship program to encourage K-12 teachers to participate in experiential learning opportunities with employers outside of the school environment to gain knowledge and expand their curriculum in STEM.

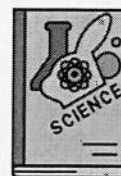
WHAT THIS BILL DOES

- 🍏 Creates **equal opportunities for teachers** to participate in work-based learning and improve classroom curriculums.
- 🍏 **Encourages students to grow interested in STEM-related jobs and internship opportunities.**
- 🍏 The department of labor and employment and school districts will select suitable employers.
- 🍏 Teachers may apply for **professional development credits for license renewal** and be **financially compensated** for time.

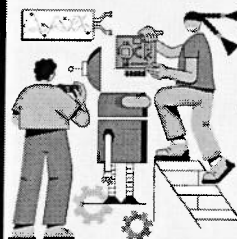
WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE YES



Externships give teachers a new perspective to **pair their curriculum with real-world experiences.**



Gives students **career options to consider** after graduating from high-schools.



Encourages school-to-work pipeline by creating relationships with local businesses and students.



Creates **meaningful connections** with local businesses for potential future partnerships.

SUPPORTING

- Colorado Education Association
- Boulder Chamber of Commerce
- Colorado Department of Education
- State Board of Education
- Colorado Bioscience Association
- American Association of University Women of Colorado
- Colorado Succeeds
- Colorado Technology Association
- Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce
- Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company

MONITORING

- Colorado Association of School Executives
- Colorado Early Colleges

AMENDING

- Colorado Charter Schools Initiative