

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

April 10, 2023  
Date

Committee on Education.

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

SB23-258 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 13, after "**requirements**" insert "**-**  
2 **advisory committee**".

3 Page 13, after line 23 insert:

4 "(8) (a) THERE IS CREATED AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE  
5 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE INPUT ON  
6 RELEVANT TOPICS RELATED TO EDUCATOR PREPARATION AND EDUCATOR  
7 QUALITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

8 (I) REVIEWING AND PROVIDING FEEDBACK ON THE AUTHORIZATION  
9 AND REAUTHORIZATION PROCESS FOR NEW EDUCATOR PREPARATION  
10 PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS ADDED ENDORSEMENT AREAS IN  
11 ALREADY-APPROVED PROGRAMS;

12 (II) PARTICIPATING IN STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING  
13 NEW OR REVISED EDUCATOR PREPARATION STANDARDS;

14 (III) IDENTIFYING WAYS TO STREAMLINE APPLICATIONS FOR  
15 PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION, REAUTHORIZATION, AND ADDED  
16 ENDORSEMENT AREAS;

17 (IV) IDENTIFYING STRATEGIES TO BETTER INTERSECT AND  
18 SUPPORT COLORADO SCHOOLS IN A SCHOOL'S EDUCATOR PIPELINE  
19 DEVELOPMENT; AND

20 (V) ARTICULATING WAYS TO INCREASE THE EDUCATOR TALENT  
21 PIPELINE THAT MEETS COLORADO'S HIRING NEEDS, ESPECIALLY AMONG  
22 UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES.

23 (b) THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING  
24 SEVEN MEMBERS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF  
25 EDUCATION IN CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
26 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION THROUGH APPLICATIONS DEVELOPED

1 BY THE DEPARTMENT:  
2 (I) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICT;  
3 (II) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT;  
4 (III) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A TRADITIONAL EDUCATOR  
5 PREPARATION PROGRAM;  
6 (IV) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATOR  
7 PREPARATION PROGRAM;  
8 (V) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A RECENT GRADUATE FROM A  
9 COLORADO EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM THAT IS CURRENTLY  
10 TEACHING IN A COLORADO SCHOOL;  
11 (VI) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT; AND  
12 (VII) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
13 EDUCATION.  
14 (c) THE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL SELECT  
15 THE CHAIR.  
16 (d) THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AS OFTEN AS  
17 NECESSARY TO PROVIDE INPUT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND  
18 THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (8). THE DEPARTMENT  
19 SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO ALLOW MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN  
20 THE MEETINGS REMOTELY."

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