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HOUSE BILL 18-1064

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A TRAINING PROGRAM TO PREVENT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
102 FOR PERSONS WHO WORK WITH YOUNG CHILDREN IN SOME
103 CAPACITY AS PART OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT.

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 directs the Colorado children's trust fund board to develop and administer a training program to prevent child sexual abuse (program) for early childhood providers and others who interact with young children.

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.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-3.5-105, **amend**
3 (1) introductory portion; and **add** (1)(f.5) as follows:

4 **19-3.5-105. Powers and duties of the board.** (1) The board ~~shall~~
5 ~~have~~ HAS the following powers and duties:

6 (f.5) TO EXPEND THE MONEY OF THE TRUST FUND FOR THE
7 DEVELOPMENT, PROMOTION, MAINTENANCE, AND MONITORING OF A
8 RESEARCH-BASED CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING MODEL TO
9 PREVENT AND REDUCE THE OCCURRENCE OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE. THE
10 TRAINING MODEL MUST BE AVAILABLE TO PERSONS WHO INTERACT WITH
11 YOUNG CHILDREN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PARENTS, CHILD CARE
12 PROVIDERS, LIBRARIANS, CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS, MEDICAL
13 PROFESSIONALS, FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS STAFF, AND OTHER
14 MANDATORY REPORTERS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.

15 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-3.5-107, **amend**
16 (1) as follows:

17 **19-3.5-107. Disbursement of grants from the trust fund.**

18 (1) Grants may be awarded to provide ~~moneys~~ MONEY for the start-up,
19 continuance, or expansion of primary or secondary prevention programs,
20 including pilot programs and home visitation programs, to provide
21 educational and public informational seminars, and to study and evaluate
22 primary and secondary prevention programs, pilot programs, and home
23 visitation programs. In addition, grants may be awarded for programs to
24 prevent and reduce the occurrence of prenatal drug exposure AND A
25 RESEARCH-BASED CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING MODEL TO
26 PREVENT AND REDUCE THE OCCURRENCE OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE.

1 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 26-6.5-107**
2 as follows:

3 **26-6.5-107. Voluntary child care credentialing system - rules.**

4 The state department shall develop and maintain a statewide voluntary
5 child care credentialing system that recognizes the training and
6 educational achievements of persons providing early childhood care and
7 education. The use of the voluntary child care credentialing system ~~shall~~
8 MUST include but need not be limited to the early childhood councils. The
9 voluntary child care credentialing system ~~shall be~~ IS a multi-tiered system
10 of graduated credentials that reflects the increased training, education,
11 knowledge, skills, and competencies of persons working in early
12 childhood care and education services in the various councils. THE
13 VOLUNTARY CHILD CARE CREDENTIALING SYSTEM MUST INCLUDE A
14 COMPONENT FOR THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF PERSONS WORKING IN
15 EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION CONCERNING THE PREVENTION
16 OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE. SUCH EDUCATION AND TRAINING INCLUDES
17 UNDERSTANDING HEALTHY CHILD DEVELOPMENT, CREATING SAFE
18 ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHILDREN, RECOGNIZING SIGNS OF ABUSE AND
19 PROBLEMATIC BEHAVIORS, AND RESPONSIBLE METHODS OF RESPONSE TO
20 DISCLOSURES OR CONCERNS OF ABUSE OR POTENTIAL ABUSE. The state
21 board shall promulgate such rules as are necessary for the statewide
22 implementation of the voluntary child care credentialing system.

23 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.