NOTE: This bill has been prepared for the signatures of the appropriate legislative officers and the Governor. To determine whether the Governor has signed the bill or taken other action on it, please consult the legislative status sheet, the legislative history, or the Session Laws.

SENATE BILL 13-217

BY SENATOR(S) Hudak, Giron, Jahn, Kerr, Newell, Schwartz, Tochtrop, Todd;

also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Pettersen, Fields, Ginal, Hamner, Hullinghorst, Labuda, Lebsock, Lee, Moreno, Rosenthal, Singer, Tyler, Vigil, Young.

CONCERNING AUTHORIZING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CAMPUSES IN ESTABLISHING THE CRITERIA FOR ACCREDITATION CATEGORIES FOR EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE STATE CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-11-207, **amend** (2) (f) and (2) (g); and **add** (2) (h) as follows:

**22-11-207.** Accreditation categories - criteria - rules. (2) The state board shall promulgate rules establishing objective, measurable criteria that the department shall apply in determining the appropriate accreditation category for each school district and the institute, placing the greatest emphasis on attainment of the performance indicators. At a minimum, the rules shall take into consideration:

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(f) The progress a school district or the institute makes in improving its performance and in moving closer to meeting the statewide targets and its own targets; <del>and</del>

(g) The school district's or the institute's compliance with the other requirements specified in the accreditation contract. THE PERFORMANCE OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OR INSTITUTE'S ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CAMPUSES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE UNIQUE PURPOSES OF THE CAMPUSES AND THE UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES OF AND CHALLENGES POSED BY STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE CAMPUSES; AND

(h) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OR THE INSTITUTE'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE ACCREDITATION CONTRACT.

**SECTION 2.** Appropriation. In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the department of education, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, the sum of \$17,580 and 0.2 FTE, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for accountability and improvement planning activities related to the implementation of this act.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

John P. Morse PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE Mark Ferrandino SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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APPROVED

John W. Hickenlooper GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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