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BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 694)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to health-related matters, including
2 health-related professions, nutrition, medication, and
3 education, and including applicability provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I

CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS — NUTRITION AND METABOLIC HEALTH

Section 1. Section 148.3, Code 2026, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A requiring a licensee practicing family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, endocrinology, gastroenterology, cardiology, oncology, rheumatology, neurology, nephrology, dermatology, pulmonology, surgery, immunology, hematology, obstetrics, or gynecology to complete a minimum of one hour of continuing education on nutrition and metabolic health every four years as a condition of license renewal.

Sec. 2. Section 148C.3, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

c. Hours of continuing medical education necessary to become or remain licensed. The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A requiring a licensee practicing family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, endocrinology, gastroenterology, cardiology, oncology, rheumatology, neurology, nephrology, dermatology, pulmonology, surgery, immunology, hematology, obstetrics, or gynecology to complete a minimum of one hour of continuing education on nutrition and metabolic health every four years as a condition of license renewal.

DIVISION II

MEDICAL SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENT — NUTRITION

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 148.15 Medical school graduation requirement — nutrition.

Beginning July 1, 2028, a medical school or college of osteopathic medicine and surgery in this state shall require as a condition of graduation that each student complete at least forty hours of coursework on nutrition and metabolic health.

DIVISION III

1 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM — SUMMER ELECTRONIC
2 BENEFITS TRANSFER FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM

3 Sec. 4. Section 234.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
4 following new subsection:

5 NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. *“Summer electronic benefits transfer*
6 *for children program”* or *“summer EBT program”* means the summer
7 electronic benefits transfer for children program established
8 in 42 U.S.C. §1762.

9 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 234.12B Supplemental nutrition
10 assistance program — summer electronic benefits transfer for
11 children program.

12 The department shall continuously request that the United
13 States department of agriculture, food and nutrition service,
14 provide approval, for purposes of state administration of the
15 supplemental food and nutrition program and the summer EBT
16 program, if the state participates in the summer EBT program,
17 for a modification to the list of eligible foods in 7 C.F.R.
18 §271.2 to only include foods that are eligible as of January
19 1, 2026. The department may seek approval for additional
20 foods to be excluded based on healthy food standards if the
21 state provides all authorized SNAP retailers with a list of
22 ineligible foods identified by universal product code, and
23 instructions for point-of-sale compliance. The department
24 shall implement each modification upon receipt of approval.

25 DIVISION IV

26 IVERMECTIN — OVER-THE-COUNTER AVAILABILITY

27 Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 126.24 Ivermectin — prescription drug
28 order not required.

29 1. A pharmacist or pharmacy may distribute ivermectin for
30 human consumption as an over-the-counter medicine.

31 2. A pharmacist or pharmacy shall not be subject to
32 professional discipline or civil or criminal penalties for the
33 distribution of ivermectin pursuant to this section.

34 DIVISION V

35 SCHOOL FOODS AND BEVERAGES

1 Sec. 7. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
2 by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *0t.* Be subject to and comply with the
4 requirements of section 283A.6 relating to the preparation
5 of meals provided to students, and prohibited ingredients in
6 meals provided to students, in the same manner as a school
7 district, if the charter school provides a breakfast or lunch
8 program through the national school lunch program or the school
9 breakfast program administered by the food and nutrition
10 service of the United States department of agriculture.

11 Sec. 8. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
12 by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. *v.* Be subject to and comply with the
14 requirements of section 283A.6 relating to the preparation of
15 meals provided to students, and prohibited ingredients in meals
16 provided to students, in the same manner as a school district,
17 if the charter school or innovation zone school provides a
18 breakfast or lunch program.

19 Sec. 9. NEW SECTION. **283A.6 School district breakfast and**
20 **lunch programs — food and beverages provided to students —**
21 **prohibited ingredients.**

22 1. *a.* A school district shall not serve a meal to students
23 as part of the school district's breakfast or lunch program
24 that contains any of the following ingredients:

- 25 (1) Blue dye 1.
- 26 (2) Blue dye 2.
- 27 (3) Green dye 3.
- 28 (4) Potassium bromate.
- 29 (5) Propylparaben.
- 30 (6) Red dye 40.
- 31 (7) Yellow dye 5.
- 32 (8) Yellow dye 6.

33 *b.* Paragraph "a" does not apply to food and beverages
34 received as part of a direct delivery from the foods in schools
35 program of the United States department of agriculture.

1 2. An employee or contracted vendor of a school district
2 shall not provide any food or beverages that contain an
3 ingredient described in subsection 1 to a student enrolled in
4 the school district during the school day.

5 3. A school district shall not permit the sale to students
6 of any foods or beverages that contain an ingredient described
7 in subsection 1 on the school campus, as school campus is
8 defined in 7 C.F.R. §210.11 as of January 1, 2026, unless the
9 sale takes place outside of the school day, as school day is
10 defined in 7 C.F.R. §210.11 as of January 1, 2026.

11 Sec. 10. Section 283A.10, Code 2026, is amended to read as
12 follows:

13 **283A.10 School breakfast or lunch in nonpublic schools.**

14 The authorities in charge of nonpublic schools may operate
15 or provide for the operation of school breakfast or lunch
16 programs in schools under their jurisdiction and may use funds
17 appropriated to them by the general assembly, gifts, funds
18 received from sale of school breakfasts or lunches under such
19 programs, and any other funds available to the nonpublic
20 school. However, school breakfast or lunch programs shall not
21 be required in nonpublic schools. The department of education
22 shall direct the disbursement of state funds to nonpublic
23 schools for school breakfast or lunch programs in the same
24 manner as state funds are disbursed to public schools. If
25 a nonpublic school receives state funds for the operation of
26 a school breakfast or lunch program, meals served under the
27 program shall be nutritionally adequate meals, as defined in
28 section 283A.1, and shall comply with the requirements of
29 section 283A.6.

30 Sec. 11. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act applies
31 to school years beginning on or after July 1, 2027.

32 DIVISION VI

33 EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

34 Sec. 12. Section 256.11, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
35 to read as follows:

1 2. a. The kindergarten program shall include experiences
2 designed to develop healthy emotional and social habits and
3 growth in the language arts and communication skills, as well
4 as a capacity for the completion of individual tasks, and
5 protect and increase physical well-being with attention given
6 to experiences relating to the development of life skills and,
7 subject to [section 279.80](#), age-appropriate and research-based
8 human growth and development. The kindergarten program shall
9 also include instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes
10 all of the following:

11 (1) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,
12 vegetables, and fruit.

13 (2) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,
14 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

15 (3) The role that animal-based protein, dairy, vegetables,
16 and fruit play in a balanced diet.

17 b. A kindergarten teacher shall be licensed to teach in
18 kindergarten.

19 c. An accredited nonpublic school must meet the requirements
20 of [this subsection](#) only if the nonpublic school offers a
21 kindergarten program; provided, however, that [section 279.80](#)
22 shall not apply to a nonpublic school.

23 Sec. 13. Section 256.11, subsection 3, paragraph a,
24 subparagraph (5), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

25 (5) Health. The health curriculum shall include the all of
26 the following:

27 (a) The characteristics of communicable diseases.

28 (b) Instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes all of
29 the following:

30 (i) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,
31 vegetables, and fruit.

32 (ii) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,
33 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

34 (iii) The role that animal-based protein, dairy,
35 vegetables, and fruit play in a balanced diet.

1 Sec. 14. Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph a,
2 subparagraphs (5) and (7), Code 2026, are amended to read as
3 follows:

4 (5) Health. The health curriculum shall include
5 ~~age-appropriate~~ all of the following:

6 (a) Age-appropriate and research-based information
7 regarding the characteristics of sexually transmitted diseases.

8 (b) Instruction related to nutrition that emphasizes all of
9 the following:

10 (i) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,
11 vegetables, and fruit.

12 (ii) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,
13 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

14 (iii) The role that animal-based protein, dairy,
15 vegetables, and fruit play in a balanced diet.

16 (7) Career instruction, exploration, and development, which
17 shall include career investigation, career connections, and
18 career intentions. Career exploration and development shall
19 be designed so that students are appropriately prepared to
20 create an individualized career and academic plan pursuant to
21 section 279.61, incorporate foundational career and technical
22 education concepts aligned with the six career and technical
23 education service areas as defined in subsection 5, paragraph
24 "h", incorporate relevant twenty-first century skills to
25 facilitate career readiness, and introduce students to career
26 opportunities within the local community and across this state.
27 This subparagraph shall not apply to the teaching of career
28 exploration and development in nonpublic schools.

29 Sec. 15. Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
30 2026, is amended to read as follows:

31 b. Computer science instruction incorporating the standards
32 established under [section 256.7, subsection 26](#), paragraph "a",
33 subparagraph (4), shall be offered in at least one grade level
34 commencing with the school year beginning July 1, 2023. ~~Career~~
35 ~~exploration and development shall be designed so that students~~

~~1 are appropriately prepared to create an individual career
2 and academic plan pursuant to [section 279.61](#), incorporate
3 foundational career and technical education concepts aligned
4 with the six career and technical education service areas as
5 defined in [subsection 5](#), paragraph "h", incorporate relevant
6 twenty-first century skills to facilitate career readiness, and
7 introduce students to career opportunities within the local
8 community and across this state.~~

9 Sec. 16. Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph h,
10 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), Code 2026, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 (a) Agriculture, food, and natural resources, which
13 shall include instruction relating to food production and the
14 benefits of local sourcing.

15 Sec. 17. Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph j,
16 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

17 (1) One unit of health education which may include
18 personal health; food and nutrition; environmental health;
19 safety and survival skills; consumer health; family life;
20 age-appropriate and research-based human growth and development
21 that incorporates the standards established under section
22 279.50, subsection 3, paragraph "b"; substance use disorder
23 and nonuse; emotional and social health; health resources;
24 cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and prevention and control
25 of disease, including age-appropriate and research-based
26 information regarding sexually transmitted diseases. The one
27 unit of health education shall include instruction related to
28 nutrition that emphasizes all of the following:

29 (a) The importance of animal-based protein, dairy,
30 vegetables, and fruit.

31 (b) The nutritional benefits of animal-based protein,
32 dairy, vegetables, and fruit.

33 (c) The role that animal-based protein, dairy, vegetables,
34 and fruit play in a balanced diet.

35 Sec. 18. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph h, Code

1 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraphs:

2 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (01) The educational standards
3 established in section 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4, and
4 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1),
5 related to instruction on nutrition.

6 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (3) The educational standards
7 established in section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "h",
8 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), related to
9 instruction relating to food production and the benefits of
10 local sourcing.

11 Sec. 19. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
12 by adding the following new paragraphs:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Op.* Be subject to and comply with the
14 requirements of section 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4, and
15 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1),
16 related to instruction on nutrition in the same manner as a
17 school district.

18 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with the
19 requirements of section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph
20 "h", subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), related to
21 instruction relating to food production and the benefits of
22 local sourcing in the same manner as a school district.

23 Sec. 20. NEW SECTION. **283A.14 Application for waiver —**
24 **updated nutritional guidelines — joint committee.**

25 1. The general assembly finds and declares all of the
26 following:

27 *a.* The nutritional needs and cultural preferences of
28 the students in Iowa might be better served by localizing
29 nutritional standards.

30 *b.* Unique regional food sources, including corn, pork, and
31 dairy, are not adequately addressed by federal guidelines.

32 *c.* Flexibility in nutritional standards can enhance the
33 ability of schools to provide meals that are both nutritious
34 and appealing to students, which may increase student
35 participation in school breakfast and lunch programs.

1 2. Within ninety days after the effective date of this Act,
2 the department of education shall apply for a waiver under the
3 provisions of the federal National School Lunch Act of 1966, 42
4 U.S.C. §1751 et seq., and the federal Child Nutrition Act of
5 1966, 42 U.S.C. §1771 et seq., to request all of the following:

6 *a.* An exemption from sodium limits, whole grain
7 requirements, and fruit and vegetable variety stipulations in
8 school breakfast and lunch programs.

9 *b.* Permission to substitute or modify federal requirements
10 with state-specific nutritional guidelines that align with
11 Iowa's dietary recommendations or cultural food practices.

12 3. If the waiver applied for by the department of
13 education under subsection 2 is granted, the department of
14 education shall adopt updated guidelines for what constitutes
15 a nutritionally adequate meal. The department shall consult
16 with the department of agriculture and land stewardship,
17 experts in nutrition, educators, parents, local farmers, and
18 other stakeholders during the process of adopting updated
19 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.
20 The guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate
21 meal may reflect local preferences, regional food sources,
22 including corn, pork, and dairy, and cultural considerations.
23 The guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate
24 meal must satisfy all of the following requirements:

25 *a.* Be at least as stringent in promoting health and
26 preventing chronic diseases as the federal guidelines.

27 *b.* Maintain a commitment to nutritional health and student
28 well-being.

29 *c.* Prioritize the following food groups, in the order
30 listed:

31 (1) Animal-based protein, including but not limited to
32 beef, pork, poultry, fish, and eggs.

33 (2) Dairy products, including but not limited to milk,
34 cheese, and yogurt.

35 (3) Vegetables, including but not limited to local and

1 seasonal produce.

2 (4) Fresh fruit or dried or frozen fruit when fresh fruit is
3 not seasonally available.

4 4. If the waiver applied for by the department of education
5 under subsection 2 is granted, the department of education
6 and the department of agriculture and land stewardship shall
7 establish a joint committee to do all of the following:

8 a. Oversee the implementation of the guidelines for what
9 constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

10 b. Review the outcomes associated with the guidelines for
11 what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

12 c. Study the nutritional science associated with the
13 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal
14 and seek feedback from schools, parents, and agricultural
15 stakeholders related to the guidelines.

16 d. Provide recommendations to the department of education
17 related to changes that may need to be made to the guidelines
18 for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal.

19 5. If the waiver applied for by the department of
20 education under subsection 2 is granted, the department of
21 education shall submit to the general assembly an annual
22 report, beginning on or before the first June 30 after
23 the implementation of the new guidelines, which describes
24 the impact of the guidelines related to what constitutes a
25 nutritionally adequate meal, including information related
26 to school breakfast and lunch program participation, student
27 health outcomes, feedback from school districts, progress
28 in implementing the guidelines, challenges associated with
29 implementing the guidelines, and recommendations for further
30 enhancement of the guidelines.

31 6. If the waiver applied for by the department of education
32 under subsection 2 is granted, the department of education
33 shall conduct an evaluation to assess the effectiveness of the
34 guidelines for what constitutes a nutritionally adequate meal
35 compared to the comparable federal standards within five years

1 after the effective date of the waiver.

2 Sec. 21. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following, being deemed of
3 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment:

4 The section of this division of this Act enacting section
5 283A.14.

6 Sec. 22. APPLICABILITY. The following apply to school years
7 beginning on or after July 1, 2027:

8 1. The section of this division of this Act amending section
9 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4.

10 2. The section of this division of this Act amending
11 section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "h", subparagraph (1),
12 subparagraph division (a).

13 3. The section of this division of this Act amending section
14 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph "j", subparagraph (1).

15 4. The section of this division of this Act amending section
16 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph "h".

17 5. The section of this division of this Act amending section
18 256F.4, subsection 2.

19 DIVISION VII

20 STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS

21 Sec. 23. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
22 by adding the following new paragraph:

23 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with
24 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to student
25 instructional technology standards in the same manner as a
26 school district.

27 Sec. 24. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
28 by adding the following new paragraph:

29 NEW PARAGRAPH. *w.* Be subject to and comply with
30 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to student
31 instructional technology standards in the same manner as a
32 school district.

33 Sec. 25. NEW SECTION. **279.89 Student instructional**
34 **technology standards.**

35 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise

1 requires:

2 *a.* "Digital instruction" means lessons, assignments,
3 assessments, or instructional activities delivered through
4 instructional technology.

5 *b.* "Instructional technology" means a laptop, tablet,
6 computer, smart device, software platform, or other similar
7 device or platform used for student learning.

8 *c.* "One-to-one digital device program" means a program
9 through which a school district provides or assigns a digital
10 device to each student for instructional use.

11 2. *a.* For students enrolled in grades kindergarten through
12 five, digital instruction shall not exceed sixty minutes per
13 school day.

14 *b.* The following uses shall not count toward the daily
15 limit:

16 (1) Use required pursuant to an individualized education
17 program or a plan developed pursuant to section 504 of the
18 federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

19 (2) Assistive or adaptive technology necessary to provide a
20 student access to instruction.

21 (3) Teacher-directed demonstrations using a projector,
22 smartboard, or similar display device when students are not
23 individually operating a digital device.

24 (4) State assessments and progress monitoring that requires
25 the use of a one-to-one digital device.

26 (5) Dedicated computer science and technology curriculum.

27 3. *a.* The board of directors of each school district shall
28 adopt a written technology use policy applicable to grades
29 kindergarten through five.

30 *b.* The policy shall include all of the following:

31 (1) The district's daily digital instruction limits.

32 (2) A list of digital platforms and applications used for
33 instruction.

34 (3) Notice of a parent's or guardian's right to request
35 additional reductions in the parent's or guardian's child's

1 digital instruction.

2 (4) A statement that instructional technology shall
3 support, and not supplant, foundational learning.

4 (5) A prohibition on the use of digital devices during
5 recess.

6 c. The policy shall be published on each elementary school's
7 internet site.

8 4. a. Prior to adopting or renewing a one-to-one digital
9 device program for any grade level, the board of directors of a
10 school district shall complete a technology adoption checklist
11 that documents consideration of all of the following:

12 (1) The instructional purpose of the device.

13 (2) Age appropriateness of the device and associated
14 software.

15 (3) Content-filtering limitations and the district's
16 capacity to mitigate those limitations.

17 (4) Whether student data is collected, stored, or shared,
18 and the nature of such data practices.

19 b. The checklist shall be retained by the board and made
20 available to the department of education upon request for audit
21 or compliance purposes.

22 c. Each school district shall make publicly available on the
23 district's internet site a list of one-to-one digital device
24 programs in use, and information regarding opt-out options for
25 parents who decline participation in digital instruction.

26 5. This section shall not apply to students enrolled in an
27 online learning program operating pursuant to section 256.43.

28 DIVISION VIII

29 PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT

30 Sec. 26. NEW SECTION. 147M.1 Psychology interjurisdictional
31 compact.

32 The psychology interjurisdictional compact is enacted into
33 law and entered into by this state with all states legally
34 joining in the compact in the form substantially as follows:

35 1. *Article I — Purpose.*

1 *a.* The party states find that:

2 (1) States license psychologists, in order to protect
3 the public through verification of education, training,
4 and experience, and ensure accountability for professional
5 practice.

6 (2) This compact is intended to regulate the day-to-day
7 practice of telepsychology, in which psychological services are
8 provided using telecommunication technologies, by psychologists
9 across state boundaries in the performance of their
10 psychological practice as assigned by an appropriate authority.

11 (3) This compact is intended to regulate the temporary
12 in-person, face-to-face practice of psychology by psychologists
13 across state boundaries for thirty days within a calendar year
14 in the performance of their psychological practice as assigned
15 by an appropriate authority.

16 (4) This compact is intended to authorize state psychology
17 regulatory authorities to afford legal recognition, in a manner
18 consistent with the terms of the compact, to psychologists
19 licensed in another state.

20 (5) This compact recognizes that states have a vested
21 interest in protecting the public's health and safety through
22 their licensing and regulation of psychologists and that such
23 state regulation will best protect public health and safety.

24 (6) This compact does not apply when a psychologist is
25 licensed in both the home and receiving states.

26 (7) This compact does not apply to permanent in-person,
27 face-to-face practice, but it does allow for authorization of
28 temporary psychological practice.

29 *b.* Consistent with these principles, this compact is
30 designed to achieve the following purposes and objectives:

31 (1) Increase public access to professional psychological
32 services by allowing for telepsychological practice across
33 state lines as well as temporary in-person, face-to-face
34 services into a state in which the psychologist is not licensed
35 to practice psychology.

1 (2) Enhance the states' ability to protect the public's
2 health and safety, especially client-patient safety.

3 (3) Encourage the cooperation of compact states in the areas
4 of psychology licensure and regulation.

5 (4) Facilitate the exchange of information between compact
6 states regarding psychologist licensure, adverse actions, and
7 disciplinary history.

8 (5) Promote compliance with the laws governing
9 psychological practice in each compact state.

10 (6) Invest all compact states with the authority to
11 hold licensed psychologists accountable through the mutual
12 recognition of compact state licenses.

13 2. *Article II — Definitions.*

14 a. "Adverse action" means any action taken by a state
15 psychology regulatory authority which finds a violation
16 of a statute or regulation that is identified by the state
17 psychology regulatory authority as discipline and is a matter
18 of public record.

19 b. "Association of state and provincial psychology boards"
20 means the recognized membership organization composed of state
21 and provincial psychology regulatory authorities responsible
22 for the licensure and registration of psychologists throughout
23 the United States and Canada.

24 c. "Authority to practice interjurisdictional telepsychology"
25 means a licensed psychologist's authority to practice
26 telepsychology, within the limits authorized under this
27 compact, in another compact state.

28 d. "Bylaws" means those bylaws established by the psychology
29 interjurisdictional compact commission pursuant to article
30 X for its governance, or for directing and controlling its
31 actions and conduct.

32 e. "Client-patient" means the recipient of psychological
33 services, whether psychological services are delivered in the
34 context of health care, corporate, supervision, or consulting
35 services.

1 *f.* "Commissioner" means the voting representative appointed
2 by each state psychology regulatory authority pursuant to
3 article X.

4 *g.* "Compact state" means a state, the District of Columbia,
5 or United States territory that has enacted this compact
6 legislation and which has not withdrawn pursuant to article
7 XIII, or been terminated pursuant to article XII.

8 *h.* "Confidentiality" means the principle that data or
9 information is not made available or disclosed to unauthorized
10 persons or processes.

11 *i.* "Coordinated licensure information system" or "coordinated
12 database" means an integrated process for collecting, storing,
13 and sharing information on psychologists' licensure and
14 enforcement activities related to psychology licensure laws,
15 which is administered by the recognized membership organization
16 composed of state and provincial psychology regulatory
17 authorities.

18 *j.* "Day" means any part of a day in which psychological work
19 is performed.

20 *k.* "Distant state" means the compact state where a
21 psychologist is physically present, not through the use
22 of telecommunications technologies, to provide temporary
23 in-person, face-to-face psychological services.

24 *l.* "E.Passport" means a certificate issued by the
25 association of state and provincial psychology boards
26 that promotes the standardization in the criteria of
27 interjurisdictional telepsychology practice and facilitates the
28 process for licensed psychologists to provide telepsychological
29 services across state lines.

30 *m.* "Executive board" means a group of directors elected or
31 appointed to act on behalf of, and within the powers granted to
32 them by, the commission.

33 *n.* "Home state" means a compact state where a psychologist
34 is licensed to practice psychology. If the psychologist is
35 licensed in more than one compact state and is practicing

1 under the authorization to practice interjurisdictional
2 telepsychology, the home state is the compact state where the
3 psychologist is physically present when the telepsychological
4 services are delivered. If the psychologist is licensed
5 in more than one compact state and is practicing under the
6 temporary authorization to practice, the home state is any
7 compact state where the psychologist is licensed.

8 *o.* "*Identity history summary*" means a summary of information
9 retained by the federal bureau of investigation (FBI), or other
10 designee with similar authority, in connection with arrests
11 and, in some instances, federal employment, naturalization, or
12 military service.

13 *p.* "*In-person, face-to-face*" means interactions in which the
14 psychologist and the client-patient are in the same physical
15 space and which does not include interactions that may occur
16 through the use of telecommunication technologies.

17 *q.* "*Interjurisdictional practice certificate*" or "*IPC*"
18 means a certificate issued by the association of state and
19 provincial psychology boards that grants temporary authority
20 to practice based on notification to the state psychology
21 regulatory authority of intention to practice temporarily, and
22 verification of one's qualifications for such practice.

23 *r.* "*License*" means authorization by a state psychology
24 regulatory authority to engage in the independent practice of
25 psychology, which would be unlawful without the authorization.

26 *s.* "*Noncompact state*" means any state which is not at the
27 time a compact state.

28 *t.* "*Psychologist*" means an individual licensed for the
29 independent practice of psychology.

30 *u.* "*Psychology interjurisdictional compact commission*" or
31 "*commission*" means the national administration of which all
32 compact states are members.

33 *v.* "*Receiving state*" means a compact state where the
34 client-patient is physically located when the telepsychological
35 services are delivered.

1 *w.* "Rule" means a written statement by the psychology
2 interjurisdictional compact commission promulgated pursuant
3 to article XI that is of general applicability, implements,
4 interprets, or prescribes a policy or provision of this
5 compact, or an organizational, procedural, or practice
6 requirement of the commission and has the force and effect of
7 statutory law in a compact state, and includes the amendment,
8 repeal, or suspension of an existing rule.

9 *x.* "Significant investigatory information" means any of the
10 following:

11 (1) Investigative information that a state psychology
12 regulatory authority, after a preliminary inquiry that includes
13 notification and an opportunity to respond if required by state
14 law, has reason to believe, if proven true, would indicate more
15 than a violation of state statute or ethics code that would be
16 considered more substantial than a minor infraction.

17 (2) Investigative information that indicates that the
18 psychologist represents an immediate threat to public health
19 and safety regardless of whether the psychologist has been
20 notified or had an opportunity to respond.

21 *y.* "State" means a state, commonwealth, territory, or
22 possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia.

23 *z.* "State psychology regulatory authority" means the board,
24 office, or other agency with the legislative mandate to license
25 and regulate the practice of psychology.

26 *aa.* "Telepsychology" means the provision of psychological
27 services using telecommunication technologies.

28 *ab.* "Temporary authorization to practice" means a licensed
29 psychologist's authority to conduct temporary in-person,
30 face-to-face practice, within the limits authorized under this
31 compact, in another compact state.

32 *ac.* "Temporary in-person, face-to-face practice" means where
33 a psychologist is physically present, not through the use
34 of telecommunications technologies, in the distant state to
35 provide for the practice of psychology for thirty days within a

1 calendar year and based on notification to the distant state.

2 3. *Article III — Home state licensure.*

3 a. The home state shall be a compact state where a
4 psychologist is licensed to practice psychology.

5 b. A psychologist may hold one or more compact state
6 licenses at a time. If the psychologist is licensed in more
7 than one compact state, the home state is the compact state
8 where the psychologist is physically present when the services
9 are delivered as authorized by the authority to practice
10 interjurisdictional telepsychology under the terms of this
11 compact.

12 c. Any compact state may require a psychologist not
13 previously licensed in a compact state to obtain and retain
14 a license to be authorized to practice in the compact state
15 under circumstances not authorized by the authority to practice
16 interjurisdictional telepsychology under the terms of this
17 compact.

18 d. Any compact state may require a psychologist to obtain
19 and retain a license to be authorized to practice in a
20 compact state under circumstances not authorized by temporary
21 authorization to practice under the terms of this compact.

22 e. A home state's license authorizes a psychologist to
23 practice in a receiving state under the authority to practice
24 interjurisdictional telepsychology only if the compact state
25 meets all of the following requirements:

26 (1) Currently requires the psychologist to hold an active
27 E.Passport.

28 (2) Has a mechanism in place for receiving and investigating
29 complaints about licensed individuals.

30 (3) Notifies the commission, in compliance with the terms
31 herein, of any adverse action or significant investigatory
32 information regarding a licensed individual.

33 (4) Requires an identity history summary of all applicants
34 at initial licensure, including the use of the results of
35 fingerprints or other biometric data checks compliant with the

1 requirements of the federal bureau of investigation (FBI), or
2 other designee with similar authority, no later than ten years
3 after activation of the this compact.

4 (5) Complies with the bylaws and rules of the commission.

5 *f.* A home state's license grants temporary authorization
6 to practice to a psychologist in a distant state only if the
7 compact state meets all of the following requirements:

8 (1) Currently requires the psychologist to hold an active
9 IPC.

10 (2) Has a mechanism in place for receiving and investigating
11 complaints about licensed individuals.

12 (3) Notifies the commission, in compliance with the terms
13 herein, of any adverse action or significant investigatory
14 information regarding a licensed individual.

15 (4) Requires an identity history summary of all applicants
16 at initial licensure, including the use of the results of
17 fingerprints or other biometric data checks compliant with the
18 requirements of the federal bureau of investigation (FBI), or
19 other designee with similar authority, no later than ten years
20 after activation of this compact.

21 (5) Complies with the bylaws and rules of the commission.

22 4. *Article IV — Compact privilege to practice*
23 *telepsychology.*

24 *a.* Compact states shall recognize the right of a
25 psychologist, licensed in a compact state in conformance with
26 article III, to practice telepsychology in receiving states in
27 which the psychologist is not licensed, under the authority to
28 practice interjurisdictional telepsychology as provided in this
29 compact.

30 *b.* To exercise the authority to practice interjurisdictional
31 telepsychology under the terms and provisions of this compact,
32 a psychologist licensed to practice in a compact state shall
33 meet all of the following requirements:

34 (1) Hold a graduate degree in psychology from an institution
35 of higher education that was either of the following, at the

1 time the degree was awarded:

2 (a) Regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized
3 by the United States department of education to grant graduate
4 degrees, or authorized by provincial statute or royal charter
5 to grant doctoral degrees.

6 (b) A foreign college or university deemed to be equivalent
7 to subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), by a foreign
8 credential evaluation service that is a member of the national
9 association of credential evaluation services or by a
10 recognized foreign credential evaluation service.

11 (2) Hold a graduate degree in psychology that meets all of
12 the following criteria:

13 (a) The program, wherever it may be administratively
14 housed, must be clearly identified and labeled as a
15 psychology program. Such a program must specify in pertinent
16 institutional catalogues and brochures its intent to educate
17 and train professional psychologists.

18 (b) The psychology program must stand as a recognizable,
19 coherent, organizational entity within the institution.

20 (c) There must be a clear authority and primary
21 responsibility for the core and specialty areas whether or not
22 the program cuts across administrative lines.

23 (d) The program must consist of an integrated, organized
24 sequence of study.

25 (e) There must be an identifiable psychology
26 faculty sufficient in size and breadth to carry out its
27 responsibilities.

28 (f) The designated director of the program must be a
29 psychologist and a member of the core faculty.

30 (g) The program must have an identifiable body of students
31 who are matriculated in that program for a degree.

32 (h) The program must include supervised practicum,
33 internship, or field training appropriate to the practice of
34 psychology.

35 (i) The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three

1 academic years of full-time graduate study for doctoral degrees
2 and a minimum of one academic year of full-time graduate study
3 for master's degrees.

4 (j) The program includes an acceptable residency as defined
5 by the rules of the commission.

6 (3) Possess a current, full, and unrestricted license to
7 practice psychology in a home state which is a compact state.

8 (4) Have no history of adverse action that violates the
9 rules of the commission.

10 (5) Have no criminal record history reported on an identity
11 history summary that violates the rules of the commission.

12 (6) Possess a current, active E.Passport.

13 (7) Provide attestations in regard to areas of intended
14 practice, conformity with standards of practice, competence in
15 telepsychology technology; criminal background; and knowledge
16 and adherence to legal requirements in the home and receiving
17 states, and provide a release of information to allow for
18 primary source verification in a manner specified by the
19 commission.

20 (8) Meet other criteria as defined by the rules of the
21 commission.

22 *c.* The home state maintains authority over the license of
23 any psychologist practicing into a receiving state under the
24 authority to practice interjurisdictional telepsychology.

25 *d.* A psychologist practicing into a receiving state under
26 the authority to practice interjurisdictional telepsychology
27 shall be subject to the receiving state's scope of practice.
28 A receiving state may, in accordance with that state's due
29 process law, limit or revoke a psychologist's authority to
30 practice interjurisdictional telepsychology in the receiving
31 state and may take any other necessary actions under the
32 receiving state's applicable law to protect the health and
33 safety of the receiving state's citizens. If a receiving state
34 takes action, the state shall promptly notify the home state
35 and the commission.

1 e. If a psychologist's license in any home state or another
2 compact state, or any authority to practice interjurisdictional
3 telepsychology in any receiving state, is restricted,
4 suspended, or otherwise limited, the E.Passport shall be
5 revoked and the psychologist shall not be eligible to practice
6 telepsychology in a compact state under the authority to
7 practice interjurisdictional telepsychology.

8 5. *Article V — Compact temporary authorization to practice.*

9 a. Compact states shall also recognize the right of a
10 psychologist, licensed in a compact state in conformance with
11 article III, to practice temporarily in distant states in which
12 the psychologist is not licensed, as provided in this compact.

13 b. To exercise the temporary authorization to practice
14 under the terms and provisions of this compact, a psychologist
15 licensed to practice in a compact state shall meet all of the
16 following requirements:

17 (1) Hold a graduate degree in psychology from an institution
18 of higher education that was either of the following, at the
19 time the degree was awarded:

20 (a) Regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized
21 by the United States department of education to grant graduate
22 degrees, or authorized by provincial statute or royal charter
23 to grant doctoral degrees.

24 (b) A foreign college or university deemed to be equivalent
25 to subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (a), by a foreign
26 credential evaluation service that is a member of the national
27 association of credential evaluation services or by a
28 recognized foreign credential evaluation service.

29 (2) Hold a graduate degree in psychology that meets all of
30 the following criteria:

31 (a) The program, wherever it may be administratively
32 housed, must be clearly identified and labeled as a
33 psychology program. Such a program must specify in pertinent
34 institutional catalogues and brochures its intent to educate
35 and train professional psychologists.

1 (b) The psychology program must stand as a recognizable,
2 coherent, organizational entity within the institution.

3 (c) There must be a clear authority and primary
4 responsibility for the core and specialty areas whether or not
5 the program cuts across administrative lines.

6 (d) The program must consist of an integrated, organized
7 sequence of study.

8 (e) There must be an identifiable psychology
9 faculty sufficient in size and breadth to carry out its
10 responsibilities.

11 (f) The designated director of the program must be a
12 psychologist and a member of the core faculty.

13 (g) The program must have an identifiable body of students
14 who are matriculated in that program for a degree.

15 (h) The program must include supervised practicum,
16 internship, or field training appropriate to the practice of
17 psychology.

18 (i) The curriculum shall encompass a minimum of three
19 academic years of full-time graduate study for doctoral degrees
20 and a minimum of one academic year of full-time graduate study
21 for master's degrees.

22 (j) The program includes an acceptable residency as defined
23 by the rules of the commission.

24 (3) Possess a current, full, and unrestricted license to
25 practice psychology in a home state which is a compact state.

26 (4) Have no history of adverse action that violates the
27 rules of the commission.

28 (5) Have no criminal record history that violates the rules
29 of the commission.

30 (6) Possess a current, active IPC.

31 (7) Provide attestations in regard to areas of intended
32 practice and work experience and provide a release of
33 information to allow for primary source verification in a
34 manner specified by the commission.

35 (8) Meet other criteria as defined by the rules of the

1 commission.

2 *c.* A psychologist practicing into a distant state under the
3 temporary authorization to practice shall practice within the
4 scope of practice authorized by the distant state.

5 *d.* A psychologist practicing into a distant state under the
6 temporary authorization to practice shall be subject to the
7 distant state's authority and law. A distant state may, in
8 accordance with that state's due process law, limit or revoke
9 a psychologist's temporary authorization to practice in the
10 distant state and may take any other necessary actions under
11 the distant state's applicable law to protect the health and
12 safety of the distant state's citizens. If a distant state
13 takes action, the state shall promptly notify the home state
14 and the commission.

15 *e.* If a psychologist's license in any home state, another
16 compact state, or any temporary authorization to practice in
17 any distant state, is restricted, suspended, or otherwise
18 limited, the IPC shall be revoked and the psychologist shall
19 not be eligible to practice in a compact state under the
20 temporary authorization to practice.

21 6. *Article VI — Conditions of telepsychology practice in a*
22 *receiving state.* A psychologist may practice in a receiving
23 state under the authority to practice interjurisdictional
24 telepsychology only in the performance of the scope of
25 practice for psychology as assigned by an appropriate state
26 psychology regulatory authority, as defined in the rules of the
27 commission, and under the following circumstances:

28 *a.* The psychologist initiates a client-patient contact
29 in a home state via telecommunications technologies with a
30 client-patient in a receiving state.

31 *b.* Other conditions regarding telepsychology as determined
32 by rules promulgated by the commission.

33 7. *Article VII — Adverse actions.*

34 *a.* A home state shall have the power to impose adverse
35 action against a psychologist's license issued by the home

1 state. A distant state shall have the power to take adverse
2 action on a psychologist's temporary authorization to practice
3 within that distant state.

4 *b.* A receiving state may take adverse action on a
5 psychologist's authority to practice interjurisdictional
6 telepsychology within that receiving state. A home state may
7 take adverse action against a psychologist based on an adverse
8 action taken by a distant state regarding temporary in-person,
9 face-to-face practice.

10 *c.* If a home state takes adverse action against a
11 psychologist's license, that psychologist's authority to
12 practice interjurisdictional telepsychology is terminated and
13 the E.Passport is revoked. Furthermore, that psychologist's
14 temporary authorization to practice is terminated and the IPC
15 is revoked.

16 (1) All home state disciplinary orders which impose adverse
17 action shall be reported to the commission in accordance with
18 the rules promulgated by the commission. A compact state shall
19 report adverse actions in accordance with the rules of the
20 commission.

21 (2) In the event discipline is reported on a psychologist,
22 the psychologist shall not be eligible for telepsychology or
23 temporary in-person, face-to-face practice in accordance with
24 the rules of the commission.

25 (3) Other actions may be imposed as determined by the rules
26 promulgated by the commission.

27 *d.* A home state's psychology regulatory authority shall
28 investigate and take appropriate action with respect to
29 reported inappropriate conduct engaged in by a licensee which
30 occurred in a receiving state as it would if such conduct had
31 occurred by a licensee within the home state. In such cases,
32 the home state's law shall control in determining any adverse
33 action against a psychologist's license.

34 *e.* A distant state's psychology regulatory authority
35 shall investigate and take appropriate action with respect to

1 reported inappropriate conduct engaged in by a psychologist
2 practicing under temporary authorization to practice which
3 occurred in that distant state as it would if such conduct
4 had occurred by a licensee within the home state. In such
5 cases, the distant state's law shall control in determining any
6 adverse action against a psychologist's temporary authorization
7 to practice.

8 *f.* Nothing in this compact shall override a compact state's
9 decision that a psychologist's participation in an alternative
10 program may be used in lieu of adverse action and that such
11 participation shall remain nonpublic if required by the compact
12 state's law. Compact states shall require psychologists who
13 enter any alternative programs to not provide telepsychology
14 services under the authority to practice interjurisdictional
15 telepsychology or provide temporary psychological services
16 under the temporary authorization to practice in any other
17 compact state during the term of the alternative program.

18 *g.* No other judicial or administrative remedies shall
19 be available to a psychologist in the event a compact state
20 imposes an adverse action pursuant to paragraph "c".

21 8. *Article VIII — Additional authorities invested in a*
22 *compact state's psychology regulatory authority.* In addition
23 to any other powers granted under state law, a compact state's
24 psychology regulatory authority shall have the authority under
25 this compact to do all of the following:

26 *a.* Issue subpoenas, for both hearings and investigations,
27 which require the attendance and testimony of witnesses and
28 the production of evidence. Subpoenas issued by a compact
29 state's psychology regulatory authority for the attendance
30 and testimony of witnesses or the production of evidence from
31 another compact state shall be enforced in the latter state by
32 any court of competent jurisdiction, according to that court's
33 practice and procedure in considering subpoenas issued in its
34 own proceedings. The issuing state psychology regulatory
35 authority shall pay any witness fees, travel expenses, mileage,

1 and other fees required by the service statutes of the state
2 where the witnesses or evidence are located.

3 **b.** Issue cease and desist or injunctive relief
4 orders to revoke a psychologist's authority to practice
5 interjurisdictional telepsychology or temporary authorization
6 to practice.

7 **c.** During the course of any investigation, a psychologist
8 may not change the psychologist's home state licensure. A
9 home state psychology regulatory authority is authorized to
10 complete any pending investigations of a psychologist and
11 to take any actions appropriate under its law. The home
12 state psychology regulatory authority shall promptly report
13 the conclusions of such investigations to the commission.
14 Once an investigation has been completed, and pending the
15 outcome of said investigation, the psychologist may change the
16 psychologist's home state licensure. The commission shall
17 promptly notify the new home state of any such decisions as
18 provided in the rules of the commission. All information
19 provided to the commission or distributed by compact states
20 pursuant to the psychologist shall be confidential, filed under
21 seal, and used for investigatory or disciplinary matters.
22 The commission may create additional rules for mandated or
23 discretionary sharing of information by compact states.

24 **9. Article IX — Coordinated licensure information system.**

25 **a.** The commission shall provide for the development and
26 maintenance of a coordinated licensure information system and
27 reporting system containing licensure and disciplinary action
28 information on all psychologists individuals to whom this
29 compact is applicable in all compact states as defined by the
30 rules of the commission.

31 **b.** Notwithstanding any other provision of state law to the
32 contrary, a compact state shall submit a uniform data set to
33 the coordinated database on all licensees as required by the
34 rules of the commission, including all of the following:

35 (1) Identifying information.

- 1 (2) Licensure data.
- 2 (3) Significant investigatory information.
- 3 (4) Adverse actions against a psychologist's license.
- 4 (5) An indicator that a psychologist's authority to
5 practice interjurisdictional telepsychology or temporary
6 authorization to practice is revoked.
- 7 (6) Nonconfidential information related to alternative
8 program participation information.
- 9 (7) Any denial of application for licensure, and the reasons
10 for such denial.
- 11 (8) Other information which may facilitate the
12 administration of this compact, as determined by the rules of
13 the commission.
- 14 *c.* The coordinated database administrator shall promptly
15 notify all compact states of any adverse action taken against,
16 or significant investigative information on, any licensee in a
17 compact state.
- 18 *d.* Compact states reporting information to the coordinated
19 database may designate information that may not be shared with
20 the public without the express permission of the compact state
21 reporting the information.
- 22 *e.* Any information submitted to the coordinated database
23 that is subsequently required to be expunged by the law of the
24 compact state reporting the information shall be removed from
25 the coordinated database.
- 26 10. *Article X — Establishment of the psychology*
27 *interjurisdictional compact commission.*
- 28 *a.* The compact states hereby create and establish a joint
29 public agency known as the psychology interjurisdictional
30 compact commission.
- 31 (1) The commission is a body politic and an instrumentality
32 of the compact states.
- 33 (2) Venue is proper and judicial proceedings by or against
34 the commission shall be brought solely and exclusively in a
35 court of competent jurisdiction where the principal office of

1 the commission is located. The commission may waive venue and
2 jurisdictional defenses to the extent it adopts or consents to
3 participate in alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

4 (3) Nothing in this compact shall be construed to be a
5 waiver of sovereign immunity.

6 *b. Membership, voting, and meetings.*

7 (1) The commission shall consist of one voting
8 representative appointed by each compact state who shall serve
9 as that state's commissioner. The state psychology regulatory
10 authority shall appoint its delegate. This delegate shall be
11 empowered to act on behalf of the compact state. This delegate
12 shall be limited to one of the following:

13 (a) The executive director, executive secretary, or similar
14 executive.

15 (b) A current member of the state psychology regulatory
16 authority of a compact state.

17 (c) A designee empowered with the appropriate delegate
18 authority to act on behalf of the compact state.

19 (2) Any commissioner may be removed or suspended from office
20 as provided by the law of the state from which the commissioner
21 is appointed. Any vacancy occurring in the commission shall
22 be filled in accordance with the laws of the compact state in
23 which the vacancy exists.

24 (3) Each commissioner shall be entitled to one vote with
25 regard to the promulgation of rules and creation of bylaws
26 and shall otherwise have an opportunity to participate in
27 the business and affairs of the commission. A commissioner
28 shall vote in person or by such other means as provided
29 in the bylaws. The bylaws may provide for commissioners'
30 participation in meetings by telephone or other means of
31 communication.

32 (4) The commission shall meet at least once during each
33 calendar year. Additional meetings shall be held as set forth
34 in the bylaws.

35 (5) All meetings shall be open to the public, and public

1 notice of meetings shall be given in the same manner as
2 required under the rulemaking provisions in article XI.

3 (6) The commission may convene in a closed, nonpublic
4 meeting if the commission must discuss any of the following:

5 (a) Noncompliance of a compact state with its obligations
6 under this compact.

7 (b) The employment, compensation, discipline, or other
8 personnel matters, practices, or procedures related to specific
9 employees or other matters related to the commission's internal
10 personnel practices and procedures.

11 (c) Current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated
12 litigation against the commission.

13 (d) Negotiation of contracts for the purchase or sale of
14 goods, services, or real estate.

15 (e) Accusation against any person of a crime or formal
16 censure of any person.

17 (f) Disclosure of trade secrets or commercial or financial
18 information which is privileged or confidential.

19 (g) Disclosure of information of a personal nature where
20 disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of
21 personal privacy.

22 (h) Disclosure of investigatory records compiled for law
23 enforcement purposes.

24 (i) Disclosure of information related to any investigatory
25 reports prepared by or on behalf of or for use of the
26 commission or other committee charged with responsibility for
27 investigation or determination of compliance issues pursuant
28 to the compact.

29 (j) Matters specifically exempted from disclosure by
30 federal and state statute.

31 (7) If a meeting, or portion of a meeting, is closed
32 pursuant to subparagraph (6), the commission's legal counsel or
33 designee shall certify that the meeting may be closed and shall
34 reference each relevant exempting provision. The commission
35 shall keep minutes which fully and clearly describe all matters

1 discussed in a meeting and shall provide a full and accurate
2 summary of actions taken, of any person participating in the
3 meeting, and the reasons therefore, including a description of
4 the views expressed. All documents considered in connection
5 with an action shall be identified in such minutes. All
6 minutes and documents of a closed meeting shall remain under
7 seal, subject to release only by a majority vote of the
8 commission or order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

9 c. The commission shall, by a majority vote of the
10 commissioners, prescribe bylaws or rules to govern its conduct
11 as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes
12 and exercise the powers of this compact, including but not
13 limited to or providing for all of the following:

14 (1) Establishing the fiscal year of the commission.

15 (2) Providing reasonable standards and procedures for all
16 of the following:

17 (a) The establishment and meetings of other committees.

18 (b) Governing any general or specific delegation of any
19 authority or function of the commission.

20 (3) Providing reasonable procedures for calling and
21 conducting meetings of the commission, ensuring reasonable
22 advance notice of all meetings and providing an opportunity
23 for attendance of such meetings by interested parties,
24 with enumerated exceptions designed to protect the public's
25 interest, the privacy of individuals of such proceedings,
26 and proprietary information, including trade secrets. The
27 commission may meet in closed session only after a majority
28 of the commissioners vote to close a meeting to the public in
29 whole or in part. As soon as practicable, the commission shall
30 make public a copy of the vote to close the meeting revealing
31 the vote of each commissioner with no proxy votes allowed.

32 (4) Establishing the titles, duties, and authority and
33 reasonable procedures for the election of the officers of the
34 commission.

35 (5) Providing reasonable standards and procedures for the

1 establishment of the personnel policies and programs of the
2 commission. Notwithstanding any civil service or other similar
3 law of any compact state, the bylaws shall exclusively govern
4 the personnel policies and programs of the commission.

5 (6) Promulgating a code of ethics to address permissible and
6 prohibited activities of commission members and employees.

7 (7) Providing a mechanism for concluding the operations of
8 the commission and the equitable disposition of any surplus
9 funds that may exist after the termination of the compact after
10 the payment or reserving of all of its debts and obligations.

11 (8) The commission shall publish its bylaws in a convenient
12 form and file a copy thereof and a copy of any amendment
13 thereto, with the appropriate agency or officer in each of the
14 compact states.

15 (9) The commission shall maintain its financial records in
16 accordance with the bylaws.

17 (10) The commission shall meet and take such actions as are
18 consistent with the provisions of this compact and the bylaws.

19 *d.* The commission shall have all of the following powers:

20 (1) The authority to promulgate uniform rules to facilitate
21 and coordinate implementation and administration of this
22 compact. The rules shall have the force and effect of law and
23 shall be binding in all compact states.

24 (2) To bring and prosecute legal proceedings or actions in
25 the name of the commission, provided that the standing of any
26 state psychology regulatory authority or other regulatory body
27 responsible for psychology licensure to sue or be sued under
28 applicable law shall not be affected.

29 (3) To purchase and maintain insurance and bonds.

30 (4) To borrow, accept, or contract for services of
31 personnel, including but not limited to employees of a compact
32 state.

33 (5) To hire employees, elect or appoint officers, fix
34 compensation, define duties, grant such individuals appropriate
35 authority to carry out the purposes of the compact, and to

1 establish the commission's personnel policies and programs
2 relating to conflicts of interest, qualifications of personnel,
3 and other related personnel matters.

4 (6) To accept any and all appropriate donations and grants
5 of money, equipment, supplies, materials and services, and to
6 receive, utilize, and dispose of the same; provided that at all
7 times the commission shall strive to avoid any appearance of
8 impropriety or conflict of interest.

9 (7) To lease, purchase, accept appropriate gifts or
10 donations of, or otherwise to own, hold, improve, or use,
11 any property, real, personal, or mixed; provided that at all
12 times the commission shall strive to avoid any appearance of
13 impropriety.

14 (8) To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange,
15 abandon, or otherwise dispose of any property real, personal,
16 or mixed.

17 (9) To establish a budget and make expenditures.

18 (10) To borrow money.

19 (11) To appoint committees, including advisory committees
20 comprised of members, state regulators, state legislators or
21 their representatives, and consumer representatives, and such
22 other interested persons as may be designated in this compact
23 and the bylaws.

24 (12) To provide and receive information from, and to
25 cooperate with, law enforcement agencies.

26 (13) To adopt and use an official seal.

27 (14) To perform such other functions as may be necessary or
28 appropriate to achieve the purposes of this compact consistent
29 with the state regulation of psychology licensure, temporary
30 in-person, face-to-face practice, and telepsychology practice.

31 e. The executive board.

32 (1) The elected officers shall serve as the executive board,
33 which shall have the power to act on behalf of the commission
34 according to the terms of this compact.

35 (2) The executive board shall be comprised of the following

1 six members:

2 (a) Five voting members who are elected from the current
3 membership of the commission by the commission.

4 (b) One ex officio, nonvoting member from the recognized
5 membership organization composed of state and provincial
6 psychology regulatory authorities.

7 (3) The ex officio member must have served as staff or
8 member on a state psychology regulatory authority and shall be
9 selected by its respective organization.

10 (4) The commission may remove any member of the executive
11 board as provided in the bylaws.

12 (5) The executive board shall meet at least annually.

13 (6) The executive board shall have all of the following
14 duties and responsibilities:

15 (a) Recommend to the entire commission changes to the rules
16 or bylaws, changes to this compact legislation, fees paid by
17 compact states such as annual dues, and any other applicable
18 fees.

19 (b) Ensure compact administration services are
20 appropriately provided, contractual or otherwise.

21 (c) Prepare and recommend the budget.

22 (d) Maintain financial records on behalf of the commission.

23 (e) Monitor compact compliance of member states and provide
24 compliance reports to the commission.

25 (f) Establish additional committees as necessary.

26 (g) Other duties as provided in the rules or bylaws.

27 f. Financing of the commission.

28 (1) The commission shall pay, or provide for the payment of,
29 the reasonable expenses of its establishment, organization, and
30 ongoing activities.

31 (2) The commission may accept any and all appropriate
32 revenue sources, donations and grants of money, equipment,
33 supplies, materials, and services.

34 (3) The commission may levy on and collect an annual
35 assessment from each compact state or impose fees on other

1 parties to cover the cost of the operations and activities of
2 the commission and its staff which must be in a total amount
3 sufficient to cover its annual budget as approved each year
4 for which revenue is not provided by other sources. The
5 aggregate annual assessment amount shall be allocated based
6 upon a formula to be determined by the commission which shall
7 promulgate a rule binding upon all compact states.

8 (4) The commission shall not incur obligations of any kind
9 prior to securing the funds adequate to meet the same; nor
10 shall the commission pledge the credit of any of the compact
11 states, except by and with the authority of the compact state.

12 (5) The commission shall keep accurate accounts of all
13 receipts and disbursements. The receipts and disbursements of
14 the commission shall be subject to the audit and accounting
15 procedures established under its bylaws. However, all receipts
16 and disbursements of funds handled by the commission shall be
17 audited yearly by a certified or licensed public accountant and
18 the report of the audit shall be included in and become part of
19 the annual report of the commission.

20 *g.* Qualified immunity, defense, and indemnification.

21 (1) The members, officers, executive director, employees,
22 and representatives of the commission shall be immune from suit
23 and liability, either personally or in their official capacity,
24 for any claim for damage to or loss of property or personal
25 injury or other civil liability caused by or arising out of any
26 actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred, or
27 that the person against whom the claim is made had a reasonable
28 basis for believing occurred within the scope of commission
29 employment, duties, or responsibilities; provided that nothing
30 in this subparagraph shall be construed to protect any such
31 person from suit or liability for any damage, loss, injury,
32 or liability caused by the intentional or willful or wanton
33 misconduct of that person.

34 (2) The commission shall defend any member, officer,
35 executive director, employee, or representative of the

1 commission in any civil action seeking to impose liability
2 arising out of any actual or alleged act, error, or omission
3 that occurred within the scope of commission employment,
4 duties, or responsibilities, or that the person against
5 whom the claim is made had a reasonable basis for believing
6 occurred within the scope of commission employment, duties, or
7 responsibilities; provided that nothing in this subparagraph
8 shall be construed to prohibit that person from retaining the
9 person's own counsel; and provided further, that the actual
10 or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from that
11 person's intentional or willful or wanton misconduct.

12 (3) The commission shall indemnify and hold harmless
13 any member, officer, executive director, employee, or
14 representative of the commission for the amount of any
15 settlement or judgment obtained against that person arising
16 out of any actual or alleged act, error, or omission that
17 occurred within the scope of commission employment, duties,
18 or responsibilities, or that such person had a reasonable
19 basis for believing occurred within the scope of commission
20 employment, duties, or responsibilities, provided that the
21 actual or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from
22 the intentional or willful or wanton misconduct of that person.

23 11. *Article XI — Rulemaking.*

24 a. The commission shall exercise its rulemaking powers
25 pursuant to the criteria set forth in this article XI and the
26 rules adopted under this article XI. Rules and amendments
27 shall become binding as of the date specified in each rule or
28 amendment.

29 b. If a majority of the legislatures of the compact states
30 rejects a rule, by enactment of a statute or resolution in the
31 same manner used to adopt this compact, then such rule shall
32 have no further force and effect in any compact state.

33 c. Rules or amendments to the rules shall be adopted at a
34 regular or special meeting of the commission.

35 d. Prior to promulgation and adoption of a final rule or

1 rules by the commission, and at least sixty days in advance
2 of the meeting at which the rule will be considered and voted
3 upon, the commission shall file a notice of proposed rulemaking
4 on both of the following:

5 (1) On the internet site of the commission.

6 (2) On the internet site of each compact state's psychology
7 regulatory authority or the publication in which each state
8 would otherwise publish proposed rules.

9 e. The notice of proposed rulemaking shall include all of
10 the following:

11 (1) The proposed time, date, and location of the meeting in
12 which the rule will be considered and voted upon.

13 (2) The text of the proposed rule or amendment and the
14 reason for the proposed rule.

15 (3) A request for comments on the proposed rule from any
16 interested person.

17 (4) The manner in which interested persons may submit notice
18 to the commission of their intention to attend the public
19 hearing and any written comments.

20 f. Prior to adoption of a proposed rule, the commission
21 shall allow persons to submit written data, facts, opinions,
22 and arguments, which shall be made available to the public.

23 g. The commission shall grant an opportunity for a public
24 hearing before it adopts a rule or amendment if a hearing is
25 requested by any of the following:

26 (1) At least twenty-five persons who submit comments
27 independently of each other.

28 (2) A governmental subdivision or agency.

29 (3) A duly appointed person in an association that has at
30 least twenty-five members.

31 h. If a hearing is held on the proposed rule or amendment,
32 the commission shall publish the place, time, and date of the
33 scheduled public hearing.

34 (1) All persons wishing to be heard at the hearing shall
35 notify the executive director of the commission or other

1 designated member in writing of their desire to appear and
2 testify at the hearing not less than five business days before
3 the scheduled date of the hearing.

4 (2) Hearings shall be conducted in a manner providing each
5 person who wishes to comment a fair and reasonable opportunity
6 to comment orally or in writing.

7 (3) No transcript of the hearing is required, unless
8 a written request for a transcript is made, in which case
9 the person requesting the transcript shall bear the cost of
10 producing the transcript. A recording may be made in lieu of a
11 transcript under the same terms and conditions as a transcript.
12 This subparagraph shall not preclude the commission from making
13 a transcript or recording of the hearing if it so chooses.

14 (4) Nothing in this article shall be construed as requiring
15 a separate hearing on each rule. Rules may be grouped for the
16 convenience of the commission at hearings required by this
17 article.

18 *i.* Following the scheduled hearing date, or by the close
19 of business on the scheduled hearing date if the hearing was
20 not held, the commission shall consider all written and oral
21 comments received.

22 *j.* The commission shall, by majority vote of all members,
23 take final action on the proposed rule and shall determine the
24 effective date of the rule, if any, based on the rulemaking
25 record and the full text of the rule.

26 *k.* If no written notice of intent to attend the public
27 hearing by interested parties is received, the commission may
28 proceed with promulgation of the proposed rule without a public
29 hearing.

30 *l.* Upon determination that an emergency exists, the
31 commission may consider and adopt an emergency rule without
32 prior notice, opportunity for comment, or hearing, provided
33 that the usual rulemaking procedures provided in this compact
34 and in this article shall be retroactively applied to the rule
35 as soon as reasonably possible, in no event later than ninety

1 days after the effective date of the rule. For the purposes of
2 this paragraph, an emergency rule is one that must be adopted
3 immediately in order to address any of the following:

4 (1) Meet an imminent threat to public health, safety, or
5 welfare.

6 (2) Prevent a loss of commission or compact state funds.

7 (3) Meet a deadline for the promulgation of an
8 administrative rule that is established by federal law or rule.

9 (4) Protect public health and safety.

10 *m.* The commission or an authorized committee of the
11 commission may direct revisions to a previously adopted rule
12 or amendment for purposes of correcting typographical errors,
13 errors in format, errors in consistency, or grammatical errors.
14 Public notice of any revisions shall be posted on the website
15 of the commission. The revision shall be subject to challenge
16 by any person for a period of thirty days after posting. The
17 revision may be challenged only on grounds that the revision
18 results in a material change to a rule. A challenge shall be
19 made in writing, and delivered to the chair of the commission
20 prior to the end of the notice period. If no challenge is
21 made, the revision will take effect without further action. If
22 the revision is challenged, the revision shall not take effect
23 without the approval of the commission.

24 12. *Article XII — Oversight, dispute resolution, and*
25 *enforcement.*

26 *a. Oversight.*

27 (1) The executive, legislative, and judicial branches
28 of state government in each compact state shall enforce this
29 compact and take all actions necessary and appropriate to
30 effectuate this compact's purposes and intent. The provisions
31 of this compact and the rules promulgated under this compact
32 shall have standing as statutory law.

33 (2) All courts shall take judicial notice of this compact
34 and the rules in any judicial or administrative proceeding in a
35 compact state pertaining to the subject matter of this compact

1 which may affect the powers, responsibilities, or actions of
2 the commission.

3 (3) The commission shall be entitled to receive service
4 of process in any such proceeding, and shall have standing to
5 intervene in such a proceeding for all purposes. Failure to
6 provide service of process to the commission shall render a
7 judgment or order void as to the commission, this compact, or
8 promulgated rules.

9 *b. Default, technical assistance, and termination.*

10 (1) If the commission determines that a compact state
11 has defaulted in the performance of its obligations or
12 responsibilities under this compact or the promulgated rules,
13 the commission shall do all of the following:

14 (a) Provide written notice to the defaulting state and other
15 compact states of the nature of the default, the proposed means
16 of remedying the default, or any other action to be taken by
17 the commission.

18 (b) Provide remedial training and specific technical
19 assistance regarding the default.

20 (2) If a state in default fails to remedy the default, the
21 defaulting state may be terminated from this compact upon an
22 affirmative vote of a majority of the compact states, and all
23 rights, privileges, and benefits conferred by this compact
24 shall be terminated on the effective date of termination. A
25 remedy of the default does not relieve the offending state
26 of obligations or liabilities incurred during the period of
27 default.

28 (3) Termination of membership in this compact shall be
29 imposed only after all other means of securing compliance have
30 been exhausted. Notice of intent to suspend or terminate shall
31 be submitted by the commission to the governor, the majority
32 and minority leaders of the defaulting state's legislature, and
33 each of the compact states.

34 (4) A compact state which has been terminated is
35 responsible for all assessments, obligations, and liabilities

1 incurred through the effective date of termination, including
2 obligations which extend beyond the effective date of
3 termination.

4 (5) The commission shall not bear any costs incurred by
5 the state which is found to be in default or which has been
6 terminated from this compact, unless agreed upon in writing
7 between the commission and the defaulting state.

8 (6) The defaulting state may appeal the action of the
9 commission by petitioning the United States district court for
10 the state of Georgia or the federal district where the compact
11 has its principal offices. The prevailing member shall be
12 awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable
13 attorney fees.

14 *c. Dispute resolution.*

15 (1) Upon request by a compact state, the commission shall
16 attempt to resolve disputes related to this compact which arise
17 among compact states and between compact and noncompact states.

18 (2) The commission shall promulgate a rule providing for
19 both mediation and binding dispute resolution for disputes that
20 arise before the commission.

21 *d. Enforcement.*

22 (1) The commission, in the reasonable exercise of its
23 discretion, shall enforce the provisions and rules of this
24 compact.

25 (2) By majority vote, the commission may initiate legal
26 action in the United States district court for the state
27 of Georgia or the federal district where the compact has
28 its principal offices against a compact state in default to
29 enforce compliance with the provisions of the compact and its
30 promulgated rules and bylaws. The relief sought may include
31 both injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial
32 enforcement is necessary, the prevailing member shall be
33 awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable
34 attorney's fees.

35 (3) The remedies in this article shall not be the exclusive

1 remedies of the commission. The commission may pursue any
2 other remedies available under federal or state law.

3 13. *Article XIII — Date of implementation of the psychology*
4 *interjurisdictional compact commission and associated rules,*
5 *withdrawal, and amendments.*

6 a. This compact shall come into effect on the date on which
7 the compact is enacted into law in the seventh compact state.
8 The provisions which become effective at that time shall be
9 limited to the powers granted to the commission relating to
10 assembly and the promulgation of rules. Thereafter, the
11 commission shall meet and exercise rulemaking powers necessary
12 to the implementation and administration of this compact.

13 b. Any state which joins the compact subsequent to the
14 commission's initial adoption of the rules shall be subject
15 to the rules as they exist on the date on which the compact
16 becomes law in that state. Any rule which has been previously
17 adopted by the commission shall have the full force and effect
18 of law on the day the compact becomes law in that state.

19 c. Any compact state may withdraw from this compact by
20 enacting a statute repealing the compact.

21 (1) A compact state's withdrawal shall not take effect until
22 six months after enactment of the repealing statute.

23 (2) Withdrawal shall not affect the continuing requirement
24 of the withdrawing state's psychology regulatory authority to
25 comply with the investigative and adverse action reporting
26 requirements of this compact prior to the effective date of
27 withdrawal.

28 d. Nothing contained in this compact shall be construed to
29 invalidate or prevent any psychology licensure agreement or
30 other cooperative arrangement between a compact state and a
31 noncompact state which does not conflict with the provisions of
32 this compact.

33 e. This compact may be amended by the compact states. No
34 amendment to this compact shall become effective and binding
35 upon any compact state until it is enacted into the law of all

1 compact states.

2 14. *Article XIV — Construction and severability.* This
3 compact shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate the
4 purposes thereof. If this compact shall be held contrary to
5 the constitution of any compact state, the compact shall remain
6 in full force and effect as to the remaining compact states.

7 DIVISION IX

8 EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

9 Sec. 27. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the
10 general assembly to do all of the following:

11 1. Prioritize and expand children's participation in youth
12 sports and active play.

13 2. Promote the physical, mental, and civic benefits of daily
14 movement, exercise, and good nutrition.

15 Sec. 28. Section 256.9, Code 2026, is amended by adding the
16 following new subsection:

17 NEW SUBSECTION. 80. Develop and distribute to school
18 districts, charter schools, and innovation zone schools a model
19 cocurricular or extracurricular activity contract that, if
20 executed, would satisfy a school district's, charter school's,
21 or innovation zone school's responsibilities under section
22 279.89.

23 Sec. 29. Section 256.11, subsection 3, paragraph a,
24 subparagraph (6), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

25 (6) Physical education. Each student shall be required to
26 participate in physical education for at least thirty minutes
27 during each school day. The physical education curriculum
28 shall include an assessment of the physical fitness of students
29 who are physically able using the presidential physical fitness
30 test.

31 Sec. 30. Section 256.11, subsection 4, paragraph a,
32 subparagraph (8), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

33 (8) Physical education. Each student shall be required to
34 participate in physical education for at least thirty minutes
35 during each school day. The physical education curriculum

1 shall include an assessment of the physical fitness of students
2 who are physically able using the presidential physical fitness
3 test.

4 Sec. 31. Section 256.11, subsection 5, paragraph g, Code
5 2026, is amended to read as follows:

6 g. (1) All students physically able shall be required
7 to participate in a minimum of one-eighth unit of physical
8 education activities during each semester they are enrolled in
9 school except as otherwise provided in this paragraph. The
10 physical education activities must satisfy all of the following
11 requirements:

12 (a) Emphasize leisure time activities which will benefit
13 the student outside the school environment and after graduation
14 from high school.

15 (b) Include an assessment of the physical fitness of
16 students who are physically able using the presidential
17 physical fitness test.

18 (2) (a) A student who meets the requirements of this
19 paragraph subparagraph shall be excused from the physical
20 education activities requirement under subparagraph (1) by the
21 principal of the school in which the student is enrolled if
22 the parent or guardian of the student requests in writing that
23 the student be excused from the physical education activities
24 requirement. A student who wishes to be excused from the
25 physical education activities requirement must be seeking to be
26 excused in order to enroll in academic courses not otherwise
27 available to the student, or be enrolled or participating in
28 any of the following:

29 (a) (i) A work-based learning program or other educational
30 program authorized by the school which requires the student to
31 leave the school premises for specified periods of time during
32 the school day.

33 (b) (ii) An activity that is sponsored by the school in
34 which the student is enrolled which requires at least as much
35 physical activity per week as one-eighth unit of physical

1 education activities.

2 ~~(2) (b)~~ The principal of the school shall inform the
3 superintendent of the school district or nonpublic school that
4 the student has been excused. ~~Physical education activities~~
5 ~~shall emphasize leisure time activities which will benefit the~~
6 ~~student outside the school environment and after graduation~~
7 ~~from high school.~~

8 (3) A student who is enrolled in a junior reserve officers'
9 training corps shall not be required to participate in physical
10 education activities under subparagraph (1) or to meet the
11 physical activity requirements of subsection 6, paragraph
12 "b", subparagraph (2), but shall receive one-eighth unit of
13 physical education activities credit for each semester, or the
14 equivalent, of junior reserve officers' training corps the
15 student completes.

16 Sec. 32. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraph b,
17 subparagraph (1), Code 2026, is amended to read as follows:

18 (1) ~~All~~ In addition to the physical education curriculum
19 required under subsection 3, physically able students in
20 kindergarten through grade five shall be required to engage in
21 a physical activity for a minimum of ~~thirty~~ one hundred twenty
22 minutes per school day week.

23 Sec. 33. Section 256.11, subsection 6, paragraph b, Code
24 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

25 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (02) All physically able students in
26 grades six through eight shall be required to engage in a
27 physical activity for a a minimum of one hundred twenty minutes
28 per week.

29 Sec. 34. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, paragraph h, Code
30 2026, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

31 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (02) The educational standards of
32 section 256.11 relating to the physical education and physical
33 activity requirements for students enrolled in grades one
34 through twelve.

35 Sec. 35. Section 256E.7, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended

1 by adding the following new paragraph:

2 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with
3 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to required
4 participation of students enrolled in grades nine through
5 twelve in at least one cocurricular or extracurricular activity
6 as a condition of graduation.

7 Sec. 36. Section 256F.4, subsection 2, Code 2026, is amended
8 by adding the following new paragraphs:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Og.* Be subject to and comply with the
10 requirements of section 256.11 relating to the physical
11 education and physical activity requirements for students
12 enrolled in grades one through twelve in the same manner as a
13 school district.

14 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Os.* Be subject to and comply with
15 the requirements of section 279.89 relating to required
16 participation of students enrolled in grades nine through
17 twelve in at least one cocurricular or extracurricular activity
18 as a condition of graduation.

19 Sec. 37. NEW SECTION. **279.89 Required participation in a**
20 **cocurricular or extracurricular activity.**

21 1. For purposes of this section:

22 *a.* "*Cocurricular activity*" means any school-supervised
23 activity that occurs outside of the traditional classroom
24 setting and that complements the regular curriculum.

25 "*Cocurricular activity*" includes but is not limited to all of
26 the following:

27 (1) Student government.

28 (2) Theater.

29 (3) Yearbook.

30 (4) Involvement with the national FFA organization.

31 (5) Competitive mathematics.

32 *b.* "*Extracurricular activity*" means any school-supervised
33 activity that occurs outside of the traditional classroom
34 setting and that does not directly complement the regular
35 curriculum. "*Extracurricular activity*" includes but is not

1 limited to all of the following:

- 2 (1) Athletic contests or competitions.
- 3 (2) Dance.
- 4 (3) Band.
- 5 (4) Show choir.
- 6 (5) Robotics.
- 7 (6) Debate.
- 8 (7) Scouting programs.
- 9 (8) Youth groups.

10 2. *a.* The board of directors of each school district
11 shall require that all students enrolled in grades nine
12 through twelve participate in at least one cocurricular or
13 extracurricular activity as a condition of graduation.

14 *b.* The board of directors of each school district shall
15 require all students participating in a cocurricular or
16 extracurricular activity pursuant to paragraph "a", the
17 student's parent or guardian, and the principal of the
18 attendance center that the student attends to enter into
19 a cocurricular or extracurricular activity contract that
20 describes the activity in which the student will participate,
21 an estimate of the amount of time the student will devote to
22 the activity each week, and when such activity takes place
23 during the school year.

24 3. The state board of education shall adopt rules pursuant
25 to chapter 17A to administer this section.

26 Sec. 38. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
27 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
28 compliance with any state mandate included in this division
29 of this Act shall be paid by a school district from state
30 school foundation aid received by the school district under
31 section 257.16. This specification of the payment of the state
32 cost shall be deemed to meet all of the state funding-related
33 requirements of section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional
34 state funding shall be necessary for the full implementation of
35 this division of this Act by and enforcement of this division

1 of this Act against all affected school districts.