

1 Page 1-line 3 After "attendance;" insert "modifying the
2 definition of unexcused absence; requiring
3 notice as specified;".
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5 Page 1-line 9 After "21-3-110(a)(xxxix)" insert "and by
6 creating a new paragraph (x1)".
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8 Page 2-line 3 Delete "and" and insert ","; after "willful
9 absenteeism" insert "and parent or guardian
10 requested absences, including for mental
11 health".
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13 Page 2-line 19 After "needs" insert ", including mental
14 health".
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16 Page 2-line 20 Delete ",".
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18 Page 2-lines 21 through 23 Delete entirely.
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20 Page 3-line 1 Delete "student's mental health".
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22 Page 3-line 2 After "absence." insert "The attendance
23 officer shall notify the school principal and
24 the guidance counselor of the name and grade
25 of any student that has five (5) or more
26 absences due to mental health in any single
27 school year.".
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29 Page 3-after line 8 Insert:
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31 "(x1) Adopt a policy that provides a parent the
32 ability to request a pre-approved excused absence. Pre-approved
33 absences approved by the teacher and agreed to by the parent may
34 include advanced course work, testing or any combination
35 thereof. Due consideration of educational opportunities and
36 student academic performance may be used as evidence to provide
37 acceptance of a pre-approved absence. Nothing in this paragraph
38 shall require a district to pre-approve any absence.".
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40 Page 3-line 15 Delete "Section" and insert "section".
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