

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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February 9, 2026

Chair of Committee

Date

Committee on Education.

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

SB26-034 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 11, after "(1)(c)(I)," insert "(1)(c)(III),".

2 Page 3, line 11, strike "(1)(d)(I)" and substitute "(1)(d)(I), and (2)".

3 Page 4, after line 1, insert:

4        "(III) In the event of death, resignation, or inability or refusal to  
5 act of ~~any such~~ AN elected member of the student advisory committee, the  
6 student governing body of the institution with the vacancy shall appoint  
7 a ~~full-time~~ student from that institution to fill the vacancy for the  
8 remainder of the term.".

9 Page 4, after line 13 insert:

10        "(2) (a) Each member of the Auraria board shall take an oath or  
11 affirmation in accordance with section 24-12-101.

12        (b) MEMBERS OF THE AURARIA BOARD ARE FIDUCIARIES OF THE  
13 CENTER, AND A MEMBER SHALL RECUSE THEMSELF FROM A VOTE OR  
14 EXECUTIVE SESSION WHEN THEY HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. THE  
15 AURARIA BOARD MAY ADOPT, THROUGH ITS BYLAWS AND POLICIES, A  
16 COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK DEFINING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST  
17 APPLICABLE TO BOARD MEMBERS. THE BYLAWS AND POLICIES MAY  
18 ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS, REQUIRE  
19 DISCLOSURE OF RELEVANT INTERESTS, AND DESIGNATE A FINAL  
20 DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE WHEN RECUSAL IS  
21 REQUIRED. THE AURARIA BOARD SHALL ENSURE THAT THE BYLAWS AND  
22 POLICIES PROVIDE CONSISTENT, FAIR, AND TRANSPARENT STANDARDS FOR  
23 RECUSAL DETERMINATIONS.".