

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: CDE Division of School Operations, School Finance Unit

DATE: March 14, 2024

RE: Deliberation for the Adoption of Rules for the Administration of the Public

School Finance Act

Background:

Below please find information to support the deliberation for the adoption of updated language for 1 CCR 301-39 Rules for the Administration of the Public School Finance Act of 1994.

The State Board of Education held an official Rulemaking Hearing on February 14th and February 15th and accepted oral public testimony at the February 14th meeting. The State Board of Education will be deliberating on the adoption of these rules at the March 13th board meeting. The Department will continue to accept written public comment up until March 13th.

Colorado Department of Education (CDE) staff updated the proposed School Finance rules to reflect State Board input and public comment received in recent weeks. These proposed changes have been captured in a redline document of new proposed language, starting from the proposed rules as presented at the Rulemaking Hearing during the February State Board of Education meeting. A clean version of the new proposed rules is also available. Additionally, a comprehensive redline document outlines of all of the proposed changes compared to the current rules. Finally, the presentation for the March board meeting summarizes the recent substantive changes.

Staff Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the State Board vote to approve the proposed School Finance rules (1 CCR 301-39 Rules for the Administration of the Public School Finance Act of 1994) which have been updated to reflect input during the rulemaking process.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Jennifer Okes (okes j@cde.state.co.us).

