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*Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** Article 1 of title 22, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

**SECTION 22-1-126. PRIVATE MEDITATION IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

- (1) THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE THAT ITS PUBLIC SCHOOLS SHALL PROVIDE A FIVE MINUTE PERIOD OF TIME AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL DAY WHICH SHALL BE CALLED "PRIVATE MEDITATION," DURING WHICH, STUDENTS CAN INVOKE PRIVATE OR GROUP PRAYER OR HAVE PERSONAL MEDITATION AND REFLECTION TIME. A STUDENT THAT DOES NOT WISH TO UTILIZE THIS TIME MAY REMAIN QUIET OR UTILIZE THE TIME FOR CURRICULAR PURPOSES.
  - (A) THIS MEASURE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE DURING THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR AND WOULD BE UNIVERSAL THROUGHOUT ALL COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
  - (B) THIS MEASURE SHALL BE PERPETUAL.
  - (C) THIS MEASURE SHALL COMMENCE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL DAY FOR THE FIRST FIVE MINUTES
  - (D) SCHOOL OFFICIALS SHALL NOT LEAD ANY PARTICULAR ACTITIVTY DURING THIS TIME, HOWEVER, THE MAY PARTICIPATE IF THEY SO DESIRE

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