

AMENDMENTS TO LB 937

Introduced by Education.

1 1. Strike section 1 and insert the following new section:

2 Section 1. Section 32-546.01, Revised Statutes
3 Supplement, 2009, is amended to read:

4 32-546.01 (1) Each learning community shall be governed
5 by a learning community coordinating council consisting of eighteen
6 voting members, with twelve members elected on a nonpartisan ballot
7 from six numbered subcouncil districts created pursuant to section
8 32-555.01 and with six members appointed from such subcouncil
9 districts pursuant to this section. Each voter shall be allowed
10 to cast votes for one candidate at both the primary and general
11 elections to represent the subcouncil district in which the voter
12 resides. The four candidates receiving the most votes at the
13 primary election shall advance to the general election. The two
14 candidates receiving the most votes at the general election shall
15 be elected. A candidate shall reside in the subcouncil district for
16 which he or she is a candidate. Coordinating council members shall
17 be elected on the nonpartisan ballot.

18 (2) The initial elected members shall be nominated at
19 the statewide primary election and elected at the statewide
20 general election immediately following the certification of the
21 establishment of the learning community, and subsequent members
22 shall be nominated at subsequent statewide primary elections
23 and elected at subsequent statewide general elections. Except

1 as provided in this section, such elections shall be conducted
2 pursuant to the Election Act.

3 (3) Vacancies in office for elected members shall occur
4 as set forth in section 32-560. Whenever any such vacancy occurs,
5 the remaining elected members of such council shall appoint an
6 individual residing within the geographical boundaries of the
7 subcouncil district for the balance of the unexpired term.

8 (4) Members elected to represent odd-numbered districts
9 in the first election for the learning community coordinating
10 council shall be elected for two-year terms. Members elected
11 to represent even-numbered districts in the first election for
12 the learning community coordinating council shall be elected for
13 four-year terms. Members elected in subsequent elections shall be
14 elected for four-year terms and until their successors are elected
15 and qualified.

16 (5) The appointed members shall be appointed in November
17 of each even-numbered year after the general election. Appointed
18 members shall be school board members of school districts in the
19 learning community either elected to take office the following
20 January or continuing their current term of office for the
21 following two years. For learning communities to be established
22 the following January pursuant to orders issued pursuant to section
23 79-2102, the Secretary of State shall hold a meeting of the school
24 board members of the school districts in such learning community to
25 appoint one member from such school boards to represent each of the
26 subcouncil districts on the coordinating council of such learning
27 community. For subsequent appointments, the current appointed

1 members of the coordinating council shall hold a meeting of
2 the school board members of such school districts to appoint one
3 member from such school boards to represent each of the subcouncil
4 districts on the coordinating council of the learning community.
5 The appointed members shall be selected by the school board members
6 of the school districts in the learning community who reside in the
7 subcouncil district to be represented pursuant to a secret ballot,
8 shall reside in the subcouncil district to be represented, and
9 shall be appointed for two-year terms and until their successors
10 are appointed and qualified.

11 (6) Vacancies in office for appointed members shall occur
12 upon the resignation, death, or disqualification from office of
13 an appointed member. Disqualification from office shall include
14 ceasing membership on the school board for which membership
15 qualified the member for the appointment to the learning community
16 coordinating council or ceasing to reside in the subcouncil
17 district represented by such member of the learning community
18 coordinating council. Whenever such vacancy occurs, the remaining
19 appointed members shall hold a meeting of the school board members
20 of the school districts in such learning community to appoint a
21 member from such school boards who lives in the subcouncil district
22 to be represented to serve for the balance of the unexpired term.

23 (7) Each learning community coordinating council shall
24 also have a nonvoting member from each member school district which
25 does not have either an elected or an appointed member who resides
26 in the school district on the council. Such nonvoting members
27 shall be appointed by the school board of the school district

1 to be represented to serve for two-year terms, and notice of the
2 nonvoting member selected shall be submitted to the Secretary of
3 State by such board prior to December 31 of each even-numbered
4 year. Each such nonvoting member shall be a resident of the
5 appointing school district and shall not be a school administrator
6 employed by such school district. Whenever a vacancy occurs, the
7 school board of such school district shall appoint a new nonvoting
8 member and submit notice to the Secretary of State and to the
9 learning community coordinating council.

10 (8) Members of a learning community coordinating council
11 shall take office on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday
12 in January following their election or appointment, except that
13 members appointed to fill vacancies shall take office immediately
14 following administration of the oath of office. Each voting member
15 elected or appointed prior to January 1, 2011, shall be paid
16 a per diem in an amount determined by such council up to two
17 hundred dollars per day for official meetings of the council
18 and the achievement subcouncil for which he or she is a member,
19 for meetings that occur during the term of office for which the
20 election or appointment of the member took place prior to January
21 1, 2011, up to a maximum of twelve thousand dollars per fiscal
22 year. Each voting member ~~and~~ shall be eligible for reimbursement
23 of reasonable expenses related to service on the learning community
24 coordinating council.