

2023-2024 #19 - Final

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

**SECTION 1.** In the constitution of the state of Colorado, article IX, **add** (18) as follows:

**Section 1.** PURPOSE AND FINDINGS. THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO HEREBY FIND AND DECLARE THAT ALL CHILDREN HAVE THE RIGHT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ACCESS A QUALITY EDUCATION; THAT PARENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT THE EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN; THAT SCHOOL CHOICE INCLUDES NEIGHBORHOOD, CHARTER, PRIVATE, AND HOME SCHOOLS, OPEN ENROLLMENT OPTIONS, AND FUTURE INNOVATIONS IN EDUCATION; AND THAT PER PUPIL FUNDING WILL BE SPENT EQUALLY FOR EACH CHILD WITHIN A DISTRICT.

**Section 2.** EACH K-12 CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO SCHOOL CHOICE. PARENTS AND GUARDIANS HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT PER PUPIL FUNDING FOR THEIR CHILD TO THE SCHOOLING OF THEIR CHOICE.