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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairperson Estes  
Members of the House Committee on Education

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: January 14, 2026

Subject: HB 2034 – Authorizing school districts to employ chaplains.

House Bill No. 2034 (HB 2034) would create new law authorizing school districts to employ, or accept on a volunteer basis, a school chaplain to provide support, services, and programs from students as designated by the school administrator. Any prospective chaplain would be subject to the same criminal history background checks as all other district employees. If a person has been convicted or adjudicated and is required to register as a sex offender, then such person is ineligible to be a school chaplain.

If enacted, HB 2034 would become effective on July 1, 2026.