

Timeline of 5468 Changes

this bill is very clearly **layered by implementation year**, and laying it out this way makes it MUCH easier to understand (and explain to others).

Here is a clean, **timeline-style breakdown** you can use for posts, handouts, or legislators:



HB 5468 (LCO 4428) — IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE



JULY 1, 2026 — PHASE 1 (FOUNDATION + DATA SYSTEMS)

What starts first:



Forms Created

- State Department of Education must create:
- **Intent to Educate Form**
- **Withdrawal Form**

👉 This is the **infrastructure stage**



Nonpublic School Reporting Begins

- Private/nonpublic schools must:
- File **annual attendance reports to the state**

👉 Expands statewide **education data collection**



Expanded Data Sharing (DCF Records Access)

- Broad expansion of who can access DCF-related records

- Includes **schools and state entities**

👉 This is a **data-sharing expansion phase**

🟠 **JULY 1, 2027 — PHASE 2 (CONTROL + WITHDRAWAL CHANGES)**

This is where things materially change for families

⚖️ **Homeschooling Redefined in Law**

- Creates:
 - **“Parent-Managed Learning” category**
 - 👉 Homeschooling becomes a **regulated legal classification**
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🚨 **Withdrawal Process Changes (CRITICAL)**

If withdrawing from public school to homeschool:

- Parent must:
 - Appear in person
 - File withdrawal form
 - Then:
 - School triggers **DCF records check on entire household**
 - Includes:
 - Registry status
 - **Active investigations**
 - If flagged:
 - ❌ Withdrawal is denied
 - ❌ Child cannot be homeschooled
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State Approval Required

- Withdrawal is **NOT immediate**
- Must wait for:
- Review
- Superintendent approval

👉 This is a shift from:

Parent decision → **State-controlled permission**

State Begins Tracking ALL Homeschoolers

- State must track:
- Number of children in **parent-managed learning** – no exceptions – no grandfathering

👉 This is the **formal tracking phase**

JULY 1, 2028 — PHASE 3 (FULL IMPLEMENTATION / COMPLIANCE)

This is where the system becomes **fully operational**

Annual Intent to Educate REQUIRED

Every year, by **October 1**:

Parents must declare:


- Public school
 - Private school
 - **Parent-managed learning (homeschool)**
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Applies to:

- Homeschool families
 - Private school families
 - Some public school cases (auto-compliance)
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Enforcement Begins

If form is NOT submitted:

- School must:
 - Attempt contact **3 times**
 - Then:
 - Report family to **State Department of Education**
-  Creates **compliance enforcement pipeline**
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Additional Triggers

New filings required if:

- Family moves
 - Child switches schools
 - Child leaves private school
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SIMPLIFIED VIEW (FOR QUICK SHARING)

2026 → Build the system

- Forms
- Data collection
- Reporting requirements

2027 → Control access

- Redefine homeschool
- Gatekeep withdrawal
- DCF checks

2028 → Enforce compliance

- Annual registration
 - Tracking
 - Enforcement for noncompliance
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ONE-LINE SUMMARY

👉 “This bill builds the system in 2026, enforces control in 2027, and mandates compliance in 2028.”