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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING EXTENDING THE LENGTH OF PROSECUTION FELLOWSHIPS**

102 FROM ONE YEAR TO FIFTEEN MONTHS, AND, IN CONNECTION

103 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

Currently, there is a prosecution fellowship program that matches CU and DU law student graduates with rural district attorneys' offices. The fellowships last for one year. The bill extends the fellowships to 18 months

Amended 2nd Reading May 4, 2018 HOUSE

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 23-19.3-102, amend
3 (1)(b) as follows:

4 23-19.3-102. Prosecution fellowship program - creation committee - administration - conditions. (1) (b) The program will 5 6 match law school graduates for one-year WITH fellowships with rural 7 district attorneys' offices throughout Colorado. THE FELLOWSHIPS ARE FOR 8 A PERIOD OF UP TO FIFTEEN MONTHS. The initial fellowships will be 9 awarded in fiscal year 2015-16. The program may fund the salary and 10 benefits for up to six fellows THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL ANNUALLY 11 APPROPRIATE SUFFICIENT MONEY FOR SIX FELLOW SCHOLARSHIPS each 12 year. ANY MONEY NOT EXPENDED FOR SALARY AND BENEFITS MAY BE 13 USED FOR FELLOW RELOCATION COSTS OR FURTHER TRAINING 14 OPPORTUNITIES. ANY UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEY FROM 15 THE APPROPRIATION REMAINS AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE IN THE NEXT 16 FISCAL YEAR FOR COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS WITHOUT FURTHER 17 APPROPRIATION. The fellows are independent contractors and not 18 employees of the Colorado district attorneys' council. The program is 19 limited to law school graduates from the university of Colorado school of 20 law and the university of Denver Sturm college of law. Each law school 21 shall contribute an equal amount toward twenty percent of the cost of the 22 fellowship salaries SCHOLARSHIPS if the school wants its students to be 23 considered for the fellowship program.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. For the 2018-19 state fiscal year,
 \$165,726 is appropriated to the department of higher education for use
 by the Colorado commission on higher education. This appropriation is

- 1 from the general fund. To implement this act, the commission may use
- 2 this appropriation for the prosecution fellowship program.
- 3 SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.