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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE REGULATION OF HOME CARE**
102 **AGENCIES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND**
103 **ENVIRONMENT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,**
104 **IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2013 SUNSET**
105 **REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES, AS**
106 **MODIFIED BY THE LEGISLATIVE SUNSET COMMITTEE, AND**
107 **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

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Sunset Process - House Public Health Care and Human Services. The bill implements the recommendations contained in the department of regulatory agencies' sunset report on the regulation of home care agencies and home care placement agencies by the Colorado department of public health and environment (department), as modified by the house public health care and human services committee (sunset committee) during the sunset hearing, by:

- ! Continuing the department's licensure of home care agencies for 5 years, until 2019;
- ! Clarifying that owners and managers or administrators must obtain a criminal history record check with respect to an application for a home care agency license or home care placement agency registration, and, in connection therewith, defining "owner", "manager" and "administrator";
- ! Excluding from the definition of "home care agency" a program of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE) that is regulated by the department of health care policy and financing, but specifying the department's regulatory authority over PACE providers that furnish PACE home care services;
- ! Identifying which convictions may serve as a basis for a home care agency's or a home care placement agency's denial of employment or a referral of a provider and directing the state board of health (state board) to promulgate rules to provide factors for the agencies to consider in determining whether a conviction for an offense should disqualify a provider;
- ! Directing the state board to promulgate rules requiring home care placement agencies to retain their records for inspection by the department and to set fees for home care placement agency registration to cover the direct and indirect costs of the department's oversight of home care placement agencies; and
- ! Authorizing the department to inspect home care placement agencies' records and to remove a home care placement agency from the registry if the inspection reveals that the agency is noncompliant with the statutory requirements connected to the agency's registration.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-27.5-102, **amend**
2 (1.5), (3) (b) (VIII), (3) (b) (IX), (4), and (6.7); and **add** (1.3), (3) (b) (X),
3 (5.3), (5.5), and (5.7) as follows:

4 **25-27.5-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the
5 context otherwise requires:

6 (1.3) "CMS" MEANS THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND
7 MEDICAID SERVICES IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
8 HUMAN SERVICES.

9 (1.5) "Community-centered board" ~~has the meaning set forth~~
10 MEANS A COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD, AS DEFINED in section
11 25.5-10-202, C.R.S., THAT IS DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SECTION
12 25.5-10-209, C.R.S., BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND
13 FINANCING.

14 (3) (b) "Home care agency" does not include:

15 (VIII) A home care placement agency as defined in subsection (5)
16 of this section; ~~or~~

17 (IX) Services provided by a qualified early intervention service
18 provider and overseen jointly by the department of education and the
19 department of human services; OR

20 (X) A PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY
21 ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 25.5-5-412, C.R.S., AND REGULATED BY THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING AND THE CMS;
23 EXCEPT THAT PACE HOME CARE SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO REGULATION
24 IN ACCORDANCE WITH 25-27.5-104 (4).

25 (4) "Home care consumer" means a person who receives skilled
26 home health services or personal care services in his or her temporary or
27 permanent home or place of residence from a home care agency or FROM

1 A PROVIDER REFERRED BY A home care placement agency.

2 (5.3) "MANAGER" OR "ADMINISTRATOR" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO
3 CONTROLS AND SUPERVISES OR OFFERS OR ATTEMPTS TO CONTROL AND
4 SUPERVISE THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS OF A HOME CARE AGENCY OR
5 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY.

6 (5.5) "OWNER" MEANS A SHAREHOLDER IN A FOR-PROFIT OR
7 NONPROFIT CORPORATION, A PARTNER IN A PARTNERSHIP OR LIMITED
8 PARTNERSHIP, MEMBER IN A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, A SOLE
9 PROPRIETOR, OR A PERSON WITH A SIMILAR INTEREST IN AN ENTITY, WHO
10 HAS AT LEAST A FIFTY-PERCENT OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE BUSINESS
11 ENTITY.

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14 (5.7) "PACE HOME CARE SERVICES" MEANS SKILLED HOME
15 HEALTH SERVICES OR PERSONAL CARE SERVICES:

16 (a) OFFERED AS PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF MEDICAL AND
17 NONMEDICAL BENEFITS, INCLUDING PRIMARY CARE, DAY SERVICES, AND
18 INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM CARE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT, BY PACE
19 PROVIDERS TO AN ENROLLED PARTICIPANT IN THE PROGRAM OF
20 ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY ESTABLISHED IN SECTION
21 25.5-5-412, C.R.S., AND REGULATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
22 CARE POLICY AND FINANCING AND THE CMS; AND

23 (b) PROVIDED IN THE ENROLLED PARTICIPANT'S TEMPORARY OR
24 PERMANENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE.

25 (6.7) "Service agency" ~~has the meaning set forth~~ MEANS A SERVICE
26 AGENCY, AS DEFINED in section 25.5-10-202, C.R.S., THAT HAS RECEIVED
27 PROGRAM APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY

1 AND FINANCING AS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICE AGENCY
2 UNDER RULES PROMULGATED BY THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD AND IS
3 PROVIDING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES
4 WAIVER OR THE CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT WAIVER OF THE HOME-
5 AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS ADMINISTERED BY THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING UNDER PART 4 OF
7 ARTICLE 6 OF TITLE 25.5, C.R.S.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-27.5-103, **amend**
9 (1.5) and (2) as follows:

10 **25-27.5-103. Home care agency license required - home care**
11 **placement agency registration required - civil and criminal penalties.**

12 ~~(1.5) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, by March~~
13 ~~1, 2011, the following providers of skilled home health services or~~
14 ~~in-home personal care services shall apply for licensure as a home care~~
15 ~~agency to the department:~~

16 ~~(I) Community-centered boards designated pursuant to section~~
17 ~~25.5-10-209, C.R.S.; and~~

18 ~~(II) Service agencies that have received program approval from~~
19 ~~the department of human services as a developmental disabilities service~~
20 ~~agency under rules promulgated by the department of human services that~~
21 ~~are providing services pursuant to the supported living services waiver or~~
22 ~~the children's extensive support waiver of the home- and~~
23 ~~community-based services waivers administered by the department of~~
24 ~~health care policy and financing and the department of human services~~
25 ~~under part 4 of article 6 of title 25.5, C.R.S.~~

26 ~~(b) On or after September 1, 2011, It is unlawful for any~~
27 ~~community centered A COMMUNITY-CENTERED board that is directly~~

1 providing home care services or ~~any~~ A service agency ~~as described in~~
2 ~~paragraph (a) of this subsection (1.5)~~; to conduct or maintain a home care
3 agency that provides ~~skilled home health services or~~ in-home personal
4 care services without having obtained a license ~~therefor~~ from the
5 department. Any person who violates this ~~provision~~ SUBSECTION (1.5) is
6 guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to the civil and criminal penalties
7 described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) of this section.
8 Nothing in this section relieves an entity that contracts or arranges with
9 a ~~community centered~~ COMMUNITY-CENTERED board or service agency
10 and that meets the definition of a "home care agency" ~~under section~~
11 ~~25-27.5-102~~, from the entity's obligation to apply for and operate under
12 a license in accordance with this article.

13 (2) (a) (I) On or after June 1, ~~2009~~, ~~any home care placement~~
14 ~~agency shall notify the department in writing that it provides referrals for~~
15 ~~skilled home health services or personal care services and shall annually~~
16 ~~update such notice.~~ 2015, IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO CONDUCT OR
17 MAINTAIN A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY UNLESS THE PERSON HAS
18 SUBMITTED A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A HOME
19 CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY TO THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING EVIDENCE OF
20 GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE AS REQUIRED IN
21 SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a). ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1,
22 2016, IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO CONDUCT OR MAINTAIN A HOME
23 CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY WITHOUT A VALID, CURRENT HOME CARE
24 PLACEMENT AGENCY REGISTRATION ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT. The
25 department shall maintain a ~~list~~ REGISTRY of all REGISTERED home care
26 placement agencies and shall make the ~~list~~ REGISTRY accessible to the
27 public. WHILE A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY MUST BE REGISTERED

1 BY THE DEPARTMENT, a home care placement agency is not licensed or
2 certified by the department and shall not claim or assert that the
3 department licenses or certifies the home care placement agency.

4 (II) AS A CONDITION OF OBTAINING AN INITIAL OR RENEWAL HOME
5 CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION
6 (2), A PERSON APPLYING FOR INITIAL OR RENEWAL REGISTRATION SHALL
7 SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT, IN THE FORM AND MANNER REQUIRED BY
8 THE DEPARTMENT, PROOF THAT THE PERSON HAS OBTAINED AND IS
9 MAINTAINING GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE THAT COVERS
10 THE HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY AND THE PROVIDERS IT REFERS TO
11 HOME CARE CONSUMERS IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE STATE
12 BOARD BY RULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-27.5-104 (1) (h).

13 (b) A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE TO ITS
14 HOME CARE CONSUMER CLIENTS, BEFORE REFERRING A PROVIDER TO THE
15 CLIENT, A WRITTEN DISCLOSURE CONTAINING THE INFORMATION REQUIRED
16 IN SECTION 25-27.5-104 (1) (c) AND IN STATE BOARD RULES ADOPTED
17 PURSUANT TO THAT SECTION.

18 ~~(b)~~ (c) A person who violates this ~~section~~ SUBSECTION (2):

19 (I) IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND, UPON CONVICTION
20 THEREOF, SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN FIFTY
21 DOLLARS NOR MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS; AND

22 (II) May be subject to a civil penalty assessed by the department
23 ~~that is not less than five hundred dollars per year or more than one~~
24 ~~thousand dollars per year for failure to register with the department or for~~
25 ~~claiming to be licensed or certified by the department~~ OF UP TO TEN
26 THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH VIOLATION. The department shall assess,
27 enforce, and collect the penalty in accordance with article 4 of title 24,

1 C.R.S. ~~Any moneys~~ THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSFER ANY PENALTIES
2 ~~collected shall be deposited~~ IT COLLECTS TO THE STATE TREASURER FOR
3 DEPOSIT in the home care agency cash fund created in section
4 25-27.5-105.

5 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-27.5-104, **amend**
6 (1) introductory portion, (1) (c), (1) (g), and (1) (h); and **add** (1) (i), (1)
7 (j), (1) (k), (1) (l), and (4) as follows:

8 **25-27.5-104. Minimum standards for home care agencies and**
9 **home care placement agencies - rules - advisory committee.** (1) The
10 state board shall promulgate rules pursuant to section 24-4-103, C.R.S.,
11 providing minimum standards for the operation of home care agencies
12 ~~AND HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCIES~~ within the state of Colorado ~~THAT~~
13 ~~APPLY REGARDLESS OF THE SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE HOME CARE~~
14 ~~SERVICES OR THE DIAGNOSIS OF THE HOME CARE CONSUMER.~~ In
15 promulgating these rules, the state board shall establish different
16 requirements appropriate to the various types of skilled home health and
17 personal care services, including differentiating requirements for
18 providers that are substantially funded through medicare and medicaid
19 reimbursement, providers for the program of all-inclusive care for the
20 elderly established in section 25.5-5-412, C.R.S., providers that are
21 already licensed under this title, and providers that are solely or
22 substantially privately funded. This differentiation ~~shall consider~~ MUST
23 INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF the requirements already imposed by other
24 federal and state regulatory agencies, ~~shall~~ MUST require the department
25 of health care policy and financing and the department of ~~public health~~
26 ~~and environment~~ to work jointly to resolve differing requirements. ~~and~~
27 ~~shall only regulate a provider for the program of all-inclusive care for the~~

1 elderly consistent with the federal requirements established for the
2 provider pursuant to a three-way agreement between the provider, the
3 centers of medicare and medicaid services, and the department of health
4 care policy and financing; except that the department may require
5 additional information from the provider with regard to reporting
6 instances of abuse. Such THE rules must include the following:

7 (c) Requirements for disclosure notices to be provided by home
8 care agencies and home care placement agencies to home care consumers
9 concerning the duties and employment status of the individual providing
10 services. WITH REGARD TO HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCIES, THE RULES
11 MUST REQUIRE A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY TO DISCLOSE IN
12 WRITING, AT A MINIMUM, THE FOLLOWING TO EACH HOME CARE CONSUMER
13 CLIENT IN THE FORM AND MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT
14 BEFORE REFERRING A PROVIDER TO THE CLIENT:

15 (I) THAT THE HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY IS NOT THE
16 EMPLOYER OF ANY PROVIDER IT REFERS TO A HOME CARE CONSUMER; AND

17 (II) THAT THE HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY DOES NOT DIRECT,
18 CONTROL, SCHEDULE, OR TRAIN ANY PROVIDER IT REFERS;

19 (g) (I) Fees for home care agency licensure, which shall not
20 CANNOT exceed one thousand five hundred dollars per year for two years
21 from AFTER the effective date of fees established by rule for home care
22 agencies that are certified providers through the federal centers for
23 medicare and medicaid services or the Colorado department of health care
24 policy and financing. Home care agency fees shall be ARE payable to the
25 home care agency cash fund. The annual fee shall MUST include a
26 component that reflects whether a survey is planned for the year based on
27 the agency's compliance history. The STATE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A

1 TIERED fee schedule shall also be tiered to reflect the differences in type
2 and volume of services of various home care agencies, including but not
3 limited to their volume of medicaid and medicare services, The fee
4 schedule shall also provide AND THAT ALLOWS for reduced fees for home
5 care agencies that are certified prior to initial license application. The
6 department of public health and environment shall not charge a duplicate
7 fee for survey work conducted pursuant to its role as state survey agency
8 for the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services or the Colorado
9 department of health care policy and financing. No later than January 1,
10 2011, the department of public health and environment shall issue an
11 independent report detailing the direct and indirect costs associated with
12 the administration of home care agency licensure.

13 (II) WITH REGARD TO HOME CARE LICENSURE FEES, IN ADDITION
14 TO THE REQUIREMENTS IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (g), THE
15 STATE BOARD SHALL DEVELOP A METHODOLOGY FOR ESTABLISHING
16 DIFFERENTIATING FEES FOR LICENSURE OF COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS
17 AND SERVICES AGENCIES, CONSIDERING THE SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED
18 UNDER LICENSURE. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 25-3-105 (1) (a) (I) (B),
19 THE STATE BOARD MAY SET AND ADJUST LICENSURE FEES FOR
20 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICE AGENCIES AS APPROPRIATE.

21 (h) Requirements for home care agencies to provide evidence of
22 and maintain either liability insurance coverage or a surety bond in lieu
23 of liability insurance coverage AND FOR HOME CARE PLACEMENT
24 AGENCIES TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF AND MAINTAIN LIABILITY INSURANCE
25 COVERAGE AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 25-27.5-103 (2) (a) (II) in amounts
26 set through rules of the state board;

27 (i) FACTORS FOR HOME CARE AGENCIES AND HOME CARE

1 PLACEMENT AGENCIES TO CONSIDER WHEN DETERMINING WHETHER AN
2 APPLICANT'S CONVICTION OF OR PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO
3 AN OFFENSE [REDACTED] DISQUALIFIES THE APPLICANT FROM EMPLOYMENT OR A
4 REFERRAL. THE STATE BOARD MAY DETERMINE WHICH OFFENSES REQUIRE
5 CONSIDERATION OF THE FACTORS.

6 [REDACTED]
7 (j) REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCIES TO
8 RETAIN THEIR RECORDS FOR A LENGTH OF TIME DETERMINED BY THE
9 STATE BOARD TO BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY THE DEPARTMENT
10 PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-27.5-106 (2) (a) (III); AND

11 (k) FEES FOR THE REGISTRATION OF HOME CARE PLACEMENT
12 AGENCIES TO COVER THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
13 IMPLEMENTING THE DEPARTMENT'S OVERSIGHT OF HOME CARE
14 PLACEMENT AGENCIES.

15 (4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REGULATE A PROVIDER OF PACE
16 HOME CARE SERVICES FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE OPERATION OF
17 HOME CARE AGENCIES AS FOLLOWS:

18 (a) FOR A PACE PROVIDER THAT SERVES ONLY MEDICAID OR
19 MEDICARE CLIENTS, IF A FULL FEDERAL RECERTIFICATION SURVEY
20 REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING
21 IS CONDUCTED AT LEAST EVERY THREE YEARS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
22 ACCEPT THE FEDERAL RECERTIFICATION SURVEY IN LIEU OF A SEPARATE
23 SURVEY FOR RELICENSURE;

24 (b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT IMPOSE ANY REQUIREMENT ON
25 A PACE PROVIDER THAT IS MORE STRINGENT THAN THE FEDERAL AND
26 STATE MEDICAID PACE REGULATIONS, THE THREE-WAY AGREEMENT
27 ENTERED INTO BY THE PROVIDER, CMS, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

1 CARE POLICY AND FINANCING, AND THE PACE PROVIDER'S POLICIES AND
2 PROCEDURES;

3 (c) IN REVIEWING A PACE PROVIDER'S COMPLIANCE WITH HOME
4 CARE LICENSURE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COORDINATE WITH THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING REGARDING BOTH
6 LICENSE AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS TO ENSURE THAT THE
7 DEPARTMENTS' SIMILAR REGULATIONS ARE CONGRUENTLY MET;

8 (d) AT THE TIME THAT A PACE PROVIDER ENROLLS A PACE
9 PARTICIPANT IN A PACE PROGRAM, THE PACE PROVIDER SHALL GIVE THE
10 CLIENT THE DEPARTMENT'S CONTACT INFORMATION IN WRITING TO ALLOW
11 THE CLIENT TO REPORT ANY COMPLAINTS THAT MAY ARISE OUT OF THE
12 CLIENT'S PACE HOME CARE SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
13 UNDERTAKE ANY INVESTIGATION ARISING FROM A COMPLAINT, OTHER
14 THAN A COMPLAINT ALLEGING MATTERS THAT ARE OUTSIDE OF THE
15 DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING AUTHORITY.

16 (e) UNDER THE DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING AUTHORITY, THE
17 DEPARTMENT HAS COMPLETE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE ALL HOME CARE
18 REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO A PACE PROVIDER. IF THE DEPARTMENT
19 IS UNABLE TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION CONGRUENTLY WITH THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING, THE DEPARTMENT
21 SHALL FORWARD THE PROPOSED CORRECTIVE ACTION TO AND CONSULT
22 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING BEFORE
23 TAKING FINAL ACTION AGAINST A PACE PROVIDER.

24 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 25-27.5-105**
25 **as follows:**

26 **25-27.5-105. Home care agency cash fund created.** The
27 DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSMIT THE fees collected pursuant to section

1 25-27.5-104 (1), plus any civil penalty collected pursuant to section
2 25-27.5-103 (1) (b) ~~shall be transmitted~~ AND (2) (c) (II), to the state
3 treasurer, who shall credit the ~~same~~ FEES AND PENALTIES to the home care
4 agency cash fund, which fund is hereby created. The moneys in the fund
5 ~~shall be~~ ARE subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly for
6 the direct and indirect costs of the department in performing its duties
7 under this article. At the end of any fiscal year, all unexpended and
8 unencumbered moneys in the fund ~~shall~~ remain in the fund and ~~shall~~
9 MUST not be credited or transferred to the general fund or any other fund.

10 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-27.5-106, **amend**
11 (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) as follows:

12 **25-27.5-106. License or registration - application - inspection**
13 **- issuance - repeal.** (1) A PERSON APPLYING FOR A HOME CARE AGENCY
14 LICENSE OR A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY REGISTRATION SHALL
15 SUBMIT an application ~~for a license to operate a home care agency shall~~
16 ~~be submitted~~ to the department annually upon ~~such~~ A form and in ~~such~~ A
17 manner as prescribed by the department.

18 (2) (a) (I) The department shall investigate and review each
19 original application and each renewal application for a HOME CARE
20 AGENCY license OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY REGISTRATION. The
21 department shall determine an applicant's compliance with THIS ARTICLE
22 AND the rules adopted pursuant to section 25-27.5-104 before THE
23 DEPARTMENT ISSUES a license ~~is issued or renewed~~ OR REGISTRATION. A
24 ~~certified home care agency that applies for a license by June 1, 2009, shall~~
25 ~~be exempt from licensure inspection prior to issuance of the initial~~
26 ~~license.~~

27 (II) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (a.5) OF THIS SUBSECTION

1 (2), the department shall make ~~such~~ inspections as it deems necessary to
2 ensure that the health, safety, and welfare of the home care agency's OR
3 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY'S home care consumers are being
4 protected. Inspections of a home care consumer's home ~~shall be~~ ARE
5 subject to the consent of the home care consumer to access the property.
6 The home care agency OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY shall submit
7 in writing, in a form prescribed by the department, a plan detailing the
8 measures that will be taken to correct any violations found by the
9 department as a result of inspections undertaken pursuant to this
10 subsection (2).

11 (III) THE DEPARTMENT MAY INSPECT, AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY, A
12 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY'S RECORDS ON WEEKDAYS BETWEEN 9
13 A.M. AND 5 P.M. TO ENSURE THAT THE HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY IS
14 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK, GENERAL
15 LIABILITY INSURANCE, AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN
16 SECTIONS 25-27.3-103 (2) (b), 25-27.5-104 (1) (c) AND (1) (h), AND
17 25-27.5-107.

18 (a.5) (I) (A) ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2014, A COMMUNITY-CENTERED
19 BOARD OR SERVICE AGENCY THAT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED OR RECERTIFIED BY
20 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING WITHIN THE
21 LAST TWELVE MONTHS AND THAT IS CURRENTLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH
22 CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS MAY APPLY FOR AND OBTAIN AN INITIAL
23 HOME CARE AGENCY LICENSE TO PROVIDE IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE
24 SERVICES IF THE COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD OR SERVICE AGENCY
25 SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME CARE AGENCY LICENSURE
26 ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD THAT EXCEED OR DIFFER FROM THE
27 REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION APPLICABLE TO

1 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICE AGENCIES THAT RELATE TO
2 PROTECTING THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE OF HOME CARE
3 CONSUMERS.

4 (B) BETWEEN JULY 1, 2014, AND JULY 1, 2016, THE DEPARTMENT
5 SHALL NOT CONDUCT INSPECTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH A LICENSE
6 RENEWAL APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY A COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD
7 OR SERVICE AGENCY THAT PROVIDES IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE SERVICES
8 EXCLUSIVELY TO CONSUMERS WHO ARE RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES
9 PURSUANT TO THE SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES WAIVER OR THE
10 CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT WAIVER OF THE HOME- AND
11 COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS ADMINISTERED BY THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING. DURING THIS
13 PERIOD, COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICE AGENCIES WHO ARE
14 LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCIES SHALL COMPLY WITH THE
15 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES RULES ADOPTED BY THE MEDICAL
16 SERVICES BOARD. THE DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND
17 ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING MAY SHARE
18 INFORMATION REGARDING COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICE
19 AGENCIES AND THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE RULES.

20 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 25-27.5-104 (1) (g) AND STATE
21 BOARD RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THAT SECTION THE DEPARTMENT
22 SHALL NOT ASSESS FEES BETWEEN JULY 1, 2014, AND JULY 1, 2016, FOR A
23 NEW OR RENEWAL HOME CARE AGENCY LICENSE ISSUED TO A
24 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD OR SERVICE AGENCY, AND THE
25 DEPARTMENT'S COSTS INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH ISSUING NEW OR
26 RENEWAL HOME CARE AGENCY LICENSES TO COMMUNITY-CENTERED
27 BOARDS AND SERVICE AGENCIES IS PAYABLE FROM THE INTELLECTUAL

1 AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES CASH FUND, CREATED IN
2 SECTION 25.5-10-207 (1), C.R.S., AS PART OF A SYSTEM OF CAPACITY
3 EXPANSION FOR HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED INTELLECTUAL AND
4 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND SUPPORTS
5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-10-207 (3) (c), C.R.S., ENACTED IN HOUSE
6 BILL 14-1252 IN 2014.

7 (D) AT THE TIME A COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD OR SERVICE
8 AGENCY COMMENCES IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE SERVICES FOR A RECIPIENT
9 OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED PURSUANT TO THE SUPPORTED LIVING
10 SERVICES WAIVER OR THE CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT WAIVER OF THE
11 HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS ADMINISTERED BY
12 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING, THE
13 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD OR SERVICE AGENCY SHALL GIVE THE
14 SERVICES RECIPIENT THE DEPARTMENT'S CONTACT INFORMATION IN
15 WRITING TO ALLOW THE RECIPIENT TO REPORT ANY COMPLAINTS THAT
16 MAY ARISE OUT OF THE RECIPIENT'S IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE SERVICES.
17 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UNDERTAKE ANY INVESTIGATION ARISING FROM
18 THE COMPLAINT, OTHER THAN ALLEGATIONS OF MATTERS THAT ARE
19 OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING AUTHORITY.

20 (II) (A) DURING THE PERIOD DESCRIBED IN SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH
21 (B) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a.5), THE DEPARTMENT
22 SHALL ESTABLISH A WORK GROUP COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM
23 OR OF: THE DEPARTMENT; THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY
24 AND FINANCING; COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS; SERVICE AGENCIES;
25 AND RECIPIENTS OF SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES OR CHILDREN'S
26 EXTENSIVE SUPPORT UNDER THE HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES
27 WAIVERS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY

1 AND FINANCING. THE WORK GROUP SHALL: EXAMINE THE
2 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES RULES ADOPTED BY THE MEDICAL
3 SERVICES BOARD TO DETERMINE IF THE RULES CONTAIN SUFFICIENT
4 SAFEGUARDS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND RIGHTS OF THE
5 SERVICE RECIPIENTS; IDENTIFY GAPS OR CONFLICTS BETWEEN THE LICENSE
6 REQUIREMENTS UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE
7 BOARD UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE
8 CERTIFICATION AS A PROVIDER OF SERVICES UNDER THE SUPPORTED
9 LIVING SERVICES WAIVER OR THE CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT WAIVER
10 OF THE HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS IMPOSED BY
11 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING AND RULES
12 ADOPTED BY THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD; AND DEVELOP A PLAN TO
13 ELIMINATE CONFLICTS AND GAPS BETWEEN THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
14 DEPARTMENTS AND BOARDS. THE WORK GROUP SHALL REQUEST SERVICE
15 PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF THE GAPS OR
16 CONFLICTS IN THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY EACH DEPARTMENT AND
17 BOARD OR SHALL SURVEY PROVIDERS TO ASCERTAIN ANY GAPS AND
18 CONFLICTS IN THE REQUIREMENTS. THE SERVICE PROVIDERS SHALL
19 PROVIDE THE COMPREHENSIVE LIST OR RESPOND TO THE SURVEY BY
20 SEPTEMBER 1, 2014.

21 (B) ONCE THE DEPARTMENT HAS A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF
22 CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS AND GAPS IN THE REQUIREMENTS, THE WORK
23 GROUP SHALL ANALYZE THE INFORMATION AND DEVELOP A PLAN FOR
24 RESOLVING THE CONFLICTS AND ADDRESSING GAPS IN THE REQUIREMENTS.
25 BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2015, THE WORK GROUP SHALL SUBMIT ITS
26 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RESOLVING THE CONFLICTS AND GAPS IN THE
27 REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING PROPOSED RULE CHANGES OR ADDITIONS, TO

1 THE STATE BOARD AND THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD. THE
2 RECOMMENDATIONS MUST SPECIFY THE PARTICULAR RULES OF EACH
3 BOARD THAT NEED TO BE MODIFIED OR ADDED TO RESOLVE ANY
4 CONFLICTS AND ADDRESS GAPS IN REQUIREMENTS.

5 (C) NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2016, THE STATE BOARD AND THE
6 MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY TO
7 ELIMINATE ANY CONFLICTS BETWEEN AND GAPS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE
8 RULES PERTAINING TO THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON
9 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARD AND SERVICE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE
10 IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE SERVICES EXCLUSIVELY TO CONSUMERS WHO
11 ARE RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE SUPPORTED LIVING
12 SERVICES WAIVER OR THE CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT WAIVER OF THE
13 HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS ADMINISTERED BY
14 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING.

15 (D) AS PART OF THEIR ANNUAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE JOINT
16 COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE TO WHICH EACH DEPARTMENT IS ASSIGNED
17 UNDER THE "STATE MEASUREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTABLE, RESPONSIBLE,
18 AND TRANSPARENT (SMART) ACT", PART 2 OF ARTICLE 7 OF TITLE 2,
19 C.R.S., THE DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND
20 HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING SHALL REPORT THEIR PROGRESS IN
21 ANALYZING AND DEVELOPING A PLAN TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS AND GAPS
22 IN THE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS
23 AND SERVICE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE
24 SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENTS SHALL INDICATE WHETHER THEY ARE
25 MEETING THE DEADLINES SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II), AND IF
26 NOT, DETAIL THE REASONS FOR FAILING TO MEET THE DEADLINES. IN THEIR
27 PRESENTATIONS MADE IN THE INTERIM BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1, 2015, AND

1 THE START OF THE 2016 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION, THE
2 DEPARTMENTS SHALL REPORT PROGRESS ON: THE ADOPTION OF RULES BY
3 THE STATE BOARD AND THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD AND SHALL
4 PROVIDE THE JOINT COMMITTEES COPIES OF DRAFT RULES, IF AVAILABLE;
5 AND ANY PROGRAM EFFICIENCIES THAT COULD IMPACT LICENSURE FEE
6 AMOUNTS. IF THE DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT MEETING THE DEADLINES
7 OUTLINED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II), THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF
8 REFERENCE SHALL CONSIDER WHETHER FURTHER LEGISLATION IS NEEDED,
9 INCLUDING LEGISLATION TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES, EXTEND THE PERIOD
10 SPECIFIED IN SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS
11 PARAGRAPH (a.5) DURING WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT ALLOWED TO
12 CONDUCT RELICENSURE INSPECTIONS, COMPEL THE DEPARTMENTS TO
13 COMPLETE THEIR TASKS, OR MODIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH
14 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICES AGENCIES PROVIDING
15 IN-HOME PERSONAL CARE SERVICES ARE REGULATED BY THE STATE OR THE
16 ABILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT TO SET AND IMPOSE LICENSURE FEES.

17 (III) THIS PARAGRAPH (a.5) DOES NOT LIMIT THE ABILITY OF THE
18 DEPARTMENT TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS AND OCCURRENCES
19 INVOLVING, AND ISSUE ANY ASSOCIATED ENFORCEMENT AGAINST,
20 COMMUNITY-CENTERED BOARDS AND SERVICE AGENCIES.

21 (IV) THIS PARAGRAPH (a.5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017.

22 (b) The department shall keep all medical records INFORMATION
23 OR DOCUMENTS obtained during an inspection or investigation of a home
24 care agency, HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY, OR HOME CARE
25 CONSUMER'S HOME confidential. ~~and the medical~~ ALL records, shall be
26 INFORMATION, OR DOCUMENTS SO OBTAINED ARE exempt from disclosure
27 pursuant to sections 24-72-204, C.R.S., and 25-1-124.

1 (3) (a) With the submission of an application for a license OR
2 REGISTRATION granted pursuant to this article OR WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER
3 A CHANGE IN THE OWNER, MANAGER, OR ADMINISTRATOR, each owner
4 ~~applicant, or licensee shall~~ OF A HOME CARE AGENCY OR HOME CARE
5 PLACEMENT AGENCY AND EACH MANAGER OR ADMINISTRATOR OF A HOME
6 CARE AGENCY OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY MUST submit a
7 complete set of his or her fingerprints to the department. ~~The department~~
8 ~~shall forward such fingerprints to the~~ Colorado bureau of investigation for
9 the purpose of conducting a state and national fingerprint-based criminal
10 history record check utilizing ~~the~~ records of the Colorado bureau of
11 investigation and the federal bureau of investigation. ~~The~~ EACH owner
12 ~~applicant, or licensee shall pay the costs associated with~~ AND EACH
13 MANAGER OR ADMINISTRATOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE FEE
14 ESTABLISHED BY THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR
15 CONDUCTING the fingerprint-based criminal history record check to the
16 Colorado bureau. ~~of investigation.~~ UPON COMPLETION OF THE CRIMINAL
17 HISTORY RECORD CHECK, THE BUREAU SHALL FORWARD THE RESULTS TO
18 THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ACQUIRE A NAME-BASED
19 CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK FOR AN APPLICANT WHO HAS TWICE
20 SUBMITTED TO A FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK
21 AND WHOSE FINGERPRINTS ARE UNCLASSIFIABLE.

22 (b) The DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE information ~~shall be used by~~
23 ~~the department~~ FROM THE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK in
24 ascertaining whether the person applying for licensure OR REGISTRATION
25 has been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor, which felony or
26 misdemeanor ~~involves moral turpitude or~~ involves conduct that the
27 department determines could pose a risk to the health, safety, or welfare

1 of home care consumers of the home care agency OR HOME CARE
2 PLACEMENT AGENCY. The department shall maintain information obtained
3 in accordance with this section.

4 (4) ~~No license shall be issued or renewed by~~ The department
5 SHALL NOT ISSUE A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION if the owner, applicant, or
6 licensee MANAGER, OR ADMINISTRATOR of the home care agency OR HOME
7 CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY has been convicted of a felony or of a
8 misdemeanor, which felony or misdemeanor involves moral turpitude or
9 involves conduct that the department determines could pose a risk to the
10 health, safety, or welfare of the home care consumers of the home care
11 agency OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY.

12 (5) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (6) and (7) of this
13 section, the department shall issue or renew a license OR REGISTRATION
14 when it is satisfied that the applicant, or licensee, OR REGISTRANT is in
15 compliance with the requirements set out in this article and the rules
16 promulgated pursuant to this article. Except for provisional licenses
17 issued in accordance with subsections (6) and (7) of this section, a license
18 OR REGISTRATION issued or renewed pursuant to this section shall expire
19 EXPIRES one year after the date of issuance or renewal.

20 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 25-27.5-107
21 as follows:

22 **25-27.5-107. Employee or referred service provider criminal**
23 **history record check - rules.** ~~On and after June 1, 2009, prior to~~
24 ~~employing or placing any person,~~ The home care agency or home care
25 placement agency shall require ~~the~~ A person seeking employment or
26 placement to submit to a criminal history record check BEFORE
27 EMPLOYMENT OR REFERRAL TO A CONSUMER. The home care agency or

1 home care placement agency or the person seeking employment with the
2 home care agency shall pay the costs of ~~such inquiry~~ THE CRIMINAL
3 HISTORY RECORD CHECK. The criminal history record check shall be
4 conducted not more than ninety days ~~prior to~~ BEFORE the employment OR
5 PLACEMENT of the applicant.

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7 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 25-27.5-108
8 as follows:

9 **25-27.5-108. License or registration denial - suspension -**
10 **revocation.** (1) Upon denial of an application for an original license OR
11 REGISTRATION, the department shall notify the applicant in writing of
12 ~~such~~ THE denial by mailing a notice to the applicant at the address shown
13 on his or her application. Any applicant ~~believing himself or herself~~
14 aggrieved by ~~such~~ THE denial may pursue the remedy for review provided
15 in article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., if the applicant, within thirty days after
16 receiving ~~such~~ THE notice OF DENIAL, petitions the department to set a
17 date and place for hearing, affording the applicant an opportunity to be
18 heard in person or by counsel. All hearings on the denial of original
19 licenses ~~shall~~ OR REGISTRATIONS MUST be conducted in conformity with
20 the provisions and procedures specified in article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

21 (2) (a) The department may suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew
22 the license OR REGISTRATION of ~~any~~ A home care agency OR HOME CARE
23 PLACEMENT AGENCY that is out of compliance with the requirements of
24 this article or the rules promulgated pursuant to this article. ~~Such~~
25 ~~suspension, revocation, or refusal shall be done after~~ BEFORE TAKING
26 FINAL ACTION TO SUSPEND, REVOKE, OR REFUSE TO RENEW A LICENSE OR
27 REGISTRATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT a hearing ~~thereon and~~

1 ON THE MATTER in conformance with the provisions and procedures
2 specified in article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.; except that the department may
3 implement a summary suspension prior to a hearing in accordance with
4 article 4 of title 24, C.R.S. IF THE DEPARTMENT SUSPENDS, REVOKES, OR
5 REFUSES TO RENEW A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY REGISTRATION,
6 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REMOVE THE HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY
7 FROM THE REGISTRY MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO
8 SECTION 25-27.3-103 (2) (a) (I).

9 (b) (I) The department may impose intermediate restrictions or
10 conditions on a ~~licensee~~ LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED
11 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY that may include at least one of the
12 following:

13 (A) Retaining a consultant to address corrective measures;

14 (B) Monitoring by the department for a specific period;

15 (C) Providing additional training to employees, owners, or
16 operators of the home care agency OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY;

17 (D) Complying with a directed written plan to correct the
18 violation; or

19 (E) Paying a civil fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars per
20 calendar year for all violations.

21 (II) (A) If the department imposes an intermediate restriction or
22 condition that is not a result of a serious and immediate threat to health
23 or welfare, the ~~licensee shall receive~~ DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE written
24 notice of the restriction or condition TO THE LICENSED HOME CARE
25 AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY. No later than
26 ten days after the date the notice is received from the department, the
27 ~~licensee~~ LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE

1 PLACEMENT AGENCY shall submit a written plan that includes the time
2 frame for completing the plan and addresses the restriction or condition
3 specified.

4 (B) If the department imposes an intermediate restriction or
5 condition that is the result of a serious and immediate threat to health,
6 safety, or welfare, the department shall notify the licensee LICENSED
7 HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY in
8 writing, by telephone, or in person during an on-site visit. The licensee
9 LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT
10 AGENCY shall remedy the circumstances creating harm or potential harm
11 immediately upon receiving notice of the restriction or condition. If the
12 department provides notice of a restriction or condition by telephone or
13 in person, the department shall send written confirmation of the
14 restriction or condition to the licensee LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR
15 REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY within two business days.

16 (III) (A) After submission of an approved written plan, a licensee
17 LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT
18 AGENCY may first appeal any intermediate restriction or condition on its
19 license OR REGISTRATION to the department through an informal review
20 process as established by the department.

21 (B) If the restriction or condition requires payment of a civil fine,
22 the licensee LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE
23 PLACEMENT AGENCY may request, and the department shall grant, a stay
24 in payment of the fine until final disposition of the restriction or
25 condition.

26 (C) If a licensee LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED
27 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY is not satisfied with the result of the

1 informal review or chooses not to seek informal review, ~~no~~ THE
2 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT IMPOSE AN intermediate restriction or condition
3 on the licensee ~~shall be imposed~~ LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR
4 REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY until after THE LICENSED
5 HOME CARE AGENCY OR REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY IS
6 AFFORDED an opportunity for a hearing ~~has been afforded the licensee~~
7 pursuant to section 24-4-105, C.R.S.

8 (IV) If the department assesses a civil fine pursuant to this
9 paragraph (b), THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSMIT ~~moneys received by the~~
10 ~~department shall be transmitted~~ THE FINES to the state treasurer, who shall
11 credit the ~~same~~ FINES to the home care agency cash fund created in
12 section 25-27.5-105.

13 (V) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE civil fines collected pursuant to
14 this paragraph (b) ~~shall be used~~ for expenses related to:

15 (A) Continuing monitoring required pursuant to this paragraph
16 (b);

17 (B) Education for ~~licensee~~ LICENSED HOME CARE AGENCY OR
18 REGISTERED HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY to avoid restrictions or
19 conditions or facilitate the application process or the change of ownership
20 process;

21 (C) Education for home care consumers and their families about
22 resolving problems with a home care agency OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT
23 AGENCY, rights of home care consumers, and responsibilities of home
24 care agencies AND HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCIES;

25 (D) Providing technical assistance to any home care agency OR
26 HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY for the purpose of complying with
27 changes in rules or state or federal law;

1 (E) Monitoring and assisting in the transition of home care
2 consumers to other home care agencies OR HOME CARE PLACEMENT
3 AGENCIES, when the transition is a result of the revocation of a license OR
4 REGISTRATION, or TO other appropriate medical services; or

5 (F) Maintaining the operation of a home care agency OR HOME
6 CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY pending correction of violations, as determined
7 necessary by the department.

8 (3) The department shall revoke or refuse to renew the license of
9 a home care agency OR THE REGISTRATION OF A HOME CARE PLACEMENT
10 AGENCY where the owner, ~~or licensee, OR REGISTRANT~~ has been convicted
11 of a felony or misdemeanor ~~involving moral turpitude or involving~~
12 ~~conduct that the department determines could pose a risk to the health,~~
13 ~~safety, or welfare of the home care consumers of such~~ THE home care
14 agency ~~Such revocation or refusal shall be made~~ OR HOME CARE
15 PLACEMENT AGENCY. THE DEPARTMENT MAY REVOKE OR REFUSE TO
16 RENEW A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION only after CONDUCTING a hearing ~~is~~
17 ~~provided~~ ON THE MATTER in accordance with article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

18 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 25-27.5-110
19 as follows:

20 **25-27.5-110. Repeal of article - sunset review.** (1) This article
21 is repealed, effective ~~July~~ SEPTEMBER 1, ~~2014~~ 2019.

22 (2) ~~Prior to such~~ BEFORE repeal, the DEPARTMENT OF
23 REGULATORY AGENCIES SHALL REVIEW THE licensing of home care
24 agencies ~~shall be reviewed~~ AND THE REGISTERING OF HOME CARE
25 PLACEMENT AGENCIES as provided for in section 24-34-104, C.R.S. ~~IN~~
26 CONDUCTING ITS REVIEW AND COMPILING ITS REPORT PURSUANT TO
27 SECTION 24-34-104 (8), C.R.S., THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY

1 AGENCIES SHALL SEGREGATE THE DATA IN THE REPORT BASED ON THE
2 TYPE OF AGENCY, SPECIFYING WHETHER THE AGENCY IS:

3 (a) A HOME CARE AGENCY THAT PROVIDES SKILLED HOME HEALTH
4 SERVICES;

5 (b) A HOME CARE AGENCY THAT ONLY PROVIDES PERSONAL CARE
6 SERVICES; OR

7 (c) A HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCY.

8 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **repeal**
9 (45) (g); and **add** (50.5)(h) as follows:

10 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**
11 **and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment.**

12 (45) The following agencies, functions, or both, terminate on July 1,
13 2014:

14 (g) ~~The licensing of home care agencies in accordance with article~~
15 ~~27.5 of title 25, C.R.S.;~~

16 (50.5) The following agencies, functions, or both, terminate on
17 September 1, 2019:

18 (h) ~~NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (11) OF~~
19 ~~THIS SECTION, THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH~~
20 ~~AND ENVIRONMENT RELATING TO THE LICENSING OF HOME CARE AGENCIES~~
21 ~~AND THE REGISTERING OF HOME CARE PLACEMENT AGENCIES IN~~
22 ~~ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 27.5 OF TITLE 25, C.R.S.~~

23 **SECTION 10. Appropriation.** (1) In addition to any other
24 appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the
25 intellectual and developmental disabilities services cash fund created in
26 section 25.5-10-207 (1.5), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise
27 appropriated, to the department of health care policy and financing, for

1 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$110,000, or so much
2 thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated to transfers to/from other
3 departments for transfer to department of public health and environment
4 for facility survey and certification.

5 (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
6 appropriated to the department of public health and environment, for the
7 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$110,000, or so much
8 thereof as may be necessary, for the payment of licensure fees for
9 community-centered boards as defined in section 25-27.5-102 (1.5),
10 Colorado Revised Statutes, and service agencies as defined in section
11 25-27.5-102 (6.7), Colorado Revised Statutes, related to the
12 implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds
13 received from the department of health care policy and financing out of
14 the appropriation made in subsection (1) of this section.

15 (3) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
16 appropriated, out of any moneys in the home care agency cash fund
17 created in section 25-27.5-105, Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise
18 appropriated, to the department of public health and environment, for the
19 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$144,423 and 2.1 FTE, or
20 so much thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated to health facilities
21 and emergency medical services division for the health facilities general
22 licensure program for the implementation of this act.

23 (4) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
24 appropriated, out of any moneys in the home care agency cash fund
25 created in section 25-27.5-105, Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise
26 appropriated, to the department of public health and environment, for the
27 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$53,560, or so much

1 thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated to administration and support
2 for payments to OIT for the implementation of this act.

3 (5) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
4 appropriated to the governor - lieutenant governor - state planning and
5 budgeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$53,560,
6 or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the office of
7 information technology, for the provision of computer center services for
8 the department of public health and environment related to the
9 implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds
10 received from the department of public health and environment out of the
11 appropriation made in subsection (5) of this section.

12 (6) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
13 appropriated, out of any moneys in the Colorado bureau of investigation
14 identification unit fund created in section 24-33.5-426, Colorado Revised
15 Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of public safety,
16 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$40,966 and 0.2
17 FTE, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated to Colorado
18 bureau of investigation, Colorado crime information center identification
19 for the implementation of this act as follows:

20 (a) \$9,362 and 0.2 FTE for personal services; and

21 (b) \$31,604 for operating expenses.

22 **SECTION 11. Effective date.** This act takes effect July 1, 2014.

23 **SECTION 12. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.