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STATE OF COLORADO

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LLS NO. 14-0772.01 Jerry Barry x4341

HOUSE BILL 14-1370

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Melton,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

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House Committees

Health, Insurance, & Environment

Senate Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A LIMITATION ON WHEN A DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE  
102 COMMENCED AGAINST A MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL.

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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://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)*

The bill requires any disciplinary proceeding against a mental health professional to be commenced within 3 years after the alleged act or failure to act giving rise to the proceeding.

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Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-43-224, **amend**  
3 (1) (a) as follows:

4 **12-43-224. Disciplinary proceedings - judicial review - mental**  
5 **and physical examinations - multiple licenses.** (1) (a) A proceeding for  
6 discipline of a licensee, registrant, or certificate holder may be  
7 commenced when the board that licenses, registers, or certifies the  
8 licensee, registrant, or certificate holder has reasonable grounds to believe  
9 that the licensee, registrant, or certificate holder under the board's  
10 jurisdiction has committed any act or failed to act pursuant to the grounds  
11 established in section 12-43-222 or 12-43-226. A PROCEEDING FOR  
12 DISCIPLINE MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER THE  
13 ALLEGED ACT OR FAILURE TO ACT GIVING RISE TO THE PROCEEDING.

14 **SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability.** This act takes effect  
15 July 1, 2014, and applies to proceedings commenced on or after said date.

16 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
17 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
18 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.