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Seventieth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**PREAMENDED**

*This Unofficial Version Includes Committee  
Amendments Not Yet Adopted on Second Reading*

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**SENATE BILL 15-043**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**Heath,**

**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**Senate Committees**  
Judiciary

**House Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE PROSECUTION**  
102      **FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.**

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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/billsummaries>.)*

Last session, a prosecution fellowship program was created to place law school graduate fellows in rural district attorneys' offices. The bill clarifies that the fellows are contract employees of the Colorado district attorneys' council and clarifies that up to 6 district attorneys' offices may be selected per year for the placement of fellows.

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.*

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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) and (2) (e) as follows:

4           **23-19.3-102. Prosecution fellowship program - creation -**  
5 **committee - administration - conditions.** (1) (b) The program will  
6 match law school graduates for one-year fellowships with rural district  
7 attorneys' offices throughout Colorado. The initial fellowships will be  
8 awarded in fiscal year 2015-16. The program may fund the salary and  
9 benefits for up to six fellows each year. The fellows are INDEPENDENT  
10 CONTRACTORS AND NOT employees of the Colorado district attorneys'  
11 council. The program is limited to law school graduates from the  
12 university of Colorado school of law and the university of Denver Sturm  
13 college of law. Each law school shall contribute an equal amount toward  
14 twenty percent of the cost of the fellowship salaries if the school wants  
15 its students to be considered for the fellowship program.

16           (2) (e) The committee shall review applications received by the  
17 program, select up to six fellows for the particular fiscal year plus any  
18 back-up candidates as determined necessary by the committee, and select  
19 up to six district attorneys' office locations FOR PLACEMENT OF FELLOWS  
20 EACH YEAR. After selecting the fellows and the district attorneys' office  
21 locations, the committee shall match the fellows with a particular district  
22 attorney's office.

23           **SECTION 2. 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.