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SENATE BILL 12-043

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CLARIFICATION OF THE AGES OF CHILDREN WHO MAY

102 ATTEND A CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMP.

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.)

The child care licensing statute currently defines a children's resident camp as a camp that serves children who have completed kindergarten or who are 6 years of age or older but who are younger than 17 years of age. The bill changes the upper age limit to include children who are younger than 19 years of age and adds an exception to the upper

age limit to include a person who is 19 or 20 years of age if, within 6 months prior to attending the children's resident camp, the person has attended or has graduated from high school.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-6-102, amend 3 (2.2) as follows: 4 **26-6-102.** Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context 5 otherwise requires: (2.2) (a) "Children's resident camp" means a facility operating for 6 7 three or more consecutive twenty-four-hour days during one or more 8 seasons of the year for the care of five or more children. The facility shall 9 have as its purpose a group living experience offering education and 10 recreational activities in an outdoor environment. THE RECREATIONAL 11 EXPERIENCES MAY OCCUR AT THE PERMANENT CAMP PREMISES OR ON 12 TRIPS OFF THE PREMISES. 13 (b) A child shall be eligible to attend a children's resident camp if 14 he or she has A CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMP SHALL SERVE CHILDREN WHO 15 HAVE completed kindergarten or is ARE six years of age or older but 16 THROUGH CHILDREN younger than seventeen NINETEEN years of age; 17 EXCEPT THAT A PERSON NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE OR TWENTY YEARS OF 18 AGE MAY ATTEND A CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMP IF, WITHIN SIX MONTHS 19 PRIOR TO ATTENDING THE CHILDREN'S RESIDENT CAMP, HE OR SHE HAS 20 ATTENDED OR HAS GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL. The recreational 21 experiences may occur at the permanent camp premises or on trips off the 22 premises.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

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- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.