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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101     **CONCERNING A HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE, AND, IN CONNECTION**  
102             **THEREWITH, AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE**  
103             **POLICY AND FINANCING TO CHARGE AND COLLECT A HOSPITAL**  
104             **PROVIDER FEE, SPECIFYING THE ALLOWABLE USES OF THE FEES,**  
105             **AND REQUIRING A POST-ENACTMENT REVIEW OF THE**  
106             **IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)*

Authorizes the department of health care policy and financing (department) to charge and collect from licensed or certified hospitals a

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
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hospital provider fee (fee). Authorizes the medical services board to establish the amount of the fee that shall not exceed the federal limit and to promulgate rules governing the administration and collection of the fee. Specifies that the fee shall:

- ! Supplement and not supplant existing general fund appropriations to hospital providers unless payments to other medicaid providers are reduced;
- ! Be used for increasing reimbursements to hospitals under medicaid and the Colorado indigent care program, expanding eligibility for medicaid and the children's basic health plan (CHP+), and paying the costs of the department in administering the fee;
- ! Be returned if the federal government does not approve the fee; and
- ! Cease if the federal government no longer provides matching federal funds for the fee.

Establishes the hospital provider fee oversight and advisory board (board) to make recommendations to the department concerning the amount of the fee, procedures for collecting the fee, and changes to the eligibility requirements for assistance if moneys from the fee are insufficient to pay for all of the proposed eligibility expansions. Specifies membership of the board. Directs the board to report annually to specified committees of the general assembly, the governor, and the medical services board.

Establishes an additional hospital reimbursement based upon a hospital's performance in providing improved health outcomes for recipients.

Subject to sufficient moneys being received from the fee and the matching federal funds:

- ! Expands eligibility for medicaid to:
  - ! Parents of children eligible for medical assistance or CHP+ to up to 100% of the federal poverty level;
  - ! Disabled individuals participating in a medicaid buy-in program to up to 400% of the federal poverty level; and
  - ! Childless adults or adults without a dependent child in the home to up to 100% of the federal poverty level subject to federal authorization.
- ! Provides for continuous eligibility in medicaid for children for 12 months.
- ! Expands eligibility for children and pregnant women under CHP+ to up to 250% of the federal poverty level.

Directs that if moneys are insufficient to fully fund the proposed eligibility expansions, the state board, subject to the approval of the joint budget committee, by rule may reduce the medical benefits offered or

reduce the eligibility levels, but the state board may not reduce the eligibility levels below the current levels. Provides that any rule reducing medical benefits or eligibility expires on the following May 15 unless the general assembly acts by bill to extend the rule.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Part 4 of article 4 of title 25.5, Colorado Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to  
4 read:

5 **25.5-4-402.3. Providers - hospital - provider fees - legislative**  
6 **declaration - federal waiver - fund created - rules - advisory board -**  
7 **repeal.** (1) **Short title.** THIS SECTION SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE  
8 CITED AS THE "HEALTH CARE AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2009".

9 (2) **Legislative declaration.** THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY  
10 FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

11 (a) THE STATE AND THE PROVIDERS OF PUBLICLY FUNDED MEDICAL  
12 SERVICES, AND HOSPITAL PROVIDERS IN PARTICULAR, SHARE A COMMON  
13 COMMITMENT TO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE REFORM;

14 (b) HOSPITAL PROVIDERS WITHIN THE STATE INCUR SIGNIFICANT  
15 COSTS BY PROVIDING UNCOMPENSATED EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT CARE  
16 AND OTHER UNCOMPENSATED MEDICAL SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME AND  
17 UNINSURED POPULATIONS; AND

18 (c) THIS SECTION IS ENACTED AS PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE  
19 HEALTH CARE REFORM AND IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING  
20 STATE SERVICES AND BENEFITS:

21 (I) PROVIDING A PAYER SOURCE FOR SOME LOW-INCOME AND  
22 UNINSURED POPULATIONS WHO MAY OTHERWISE BE CARED FOR IN  
23 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER SETTINGS IN WHICH

- 1 UNCOMPENSATED CARE IS PROVIDED;
- 2 (II) REDUCING THE UNDERPAYMENT TO COLORADO HOSPITALS  
3 PARTICIPATING IN PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS;
- 4 (III) REDUCING THE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN COLORADO WHO ARE  
5 WITHOUT HEALTH CARE BENEFITS;
- 6 (IV) REDUCING THE NEED OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO SHIFT  
7 THE COST OF PROVIDING UNCOMPENSATED CARE TO OTHER PAYERS; AND
- 8 (V) EXPANDING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY, AFFORDABLE HEALTH  
9 CARE FOR LOW-INCOME AND UNINSURED POPULATIONS.

10 (3) **Hospital provider fee.** (a) BEGINNING WITH THE FISCAL YEAR  
11 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2009, AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE  
12 STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE AND COLLECT HOSPITAL  
13 PROVIDER FEES, AS DESCRIBED IN 42 CFR 433.68 (b), ON OUTPATIENT AND  
14 INPATIENT SERVICES PROVIDED BY ALL LICENSED OR CERTIFIED HOSPITALS,  
15 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS "HOSPITALS", FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
16 OBTAINING FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION UNDER THE STATE  
17 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AS DESCRIBED IN THIS ARTICLE AND  
18 ARTICLES 5 AND 6 OF THIS TITLE, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE  
19 STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND THE COLORADO INDIGENT  
20 CARE PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN PART 1 OF ARTICLE 3 OF THIS TITLE,  
21 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "COLORADO INDIGENT CARE  
22 PROGRAM". THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEES SHALL BE USED TO:

- 23 (I) INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT TO HOSPITALS FOR PROVIDING  
24 MEDICAL CARE UNDER:
- 25 (A) THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND  
26 (B) THE COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM;
- 27 (II) INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS COVERED BY PUBLIC

1 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; AND

2 (III) PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
3 IN IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION.

4 (b) THE PROVIDER FEES SHALL BE ASSESSED PURSUANT TO RULES  
5 ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103, C.R.S.  
6 THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE STATE  
7 BOARD BUT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE FEDERAL LIMIT FOR SUCH FEES. IN  
8 ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE AND IN PROMULGATING THE RULES  
9 GOVERNING THE FEE, THE STATE BOARD SHALL:

10 (I) CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE  
11 OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
12 SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION;

13 (II) ESTABLISH THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE SO THAT THE  
14 AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE FEE AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS  
15 ASSOCIATED WITH THE FEE ARE SUFFICIENT TO PAY FOR THE ITEMS  
16 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (3), BUT NOTHING IN  
17 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II) SHALL REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD TO INCREASE  
18 THE PROVIDER FEE ABOVE THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE ADVISORY  
19 BOARD; AND

20 (III) ESTABLISH THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE SO THAT THE  
21 AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE FEE IS APPROXIMATELY EQUAL TO OR LESS  
22 THAN THE AMOUNT OF THE APPROPRIATION SPECIFIED FOR THE FEE IN THE  
23 GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OR ANY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION  
24 ACT.

25 (c) (I) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REDISTRIBUTIVE METHOD SET  
26 FORTH IN 42 CFR 433.68 (e) (1) AND (e) (2), THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY  
27 SEEK A WAIVER FROM THE BROAD-BASED PROVIDER FEES REQUIREMENT

1 OR THE UNIFORM PROVIDER FEES REQUIREMENT, OR BOTH. SUBJECT TO  
2 FEDERAL APPROVAL AND TO MINIMIZE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT ON CERTAIN  
3 HOSPITALS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE  
4 ADVISORY BOARD, MAY EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF THE PROVIDER FEE  
5 CERTAIN TYPES OF HOSPITALS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

6 (A) PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS, AS LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
7 OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT;

8 (B) HOSPITALS THAT ARE LICENSED AS GENERAL HOSPITALS AND  
9 CERTIFIED AS LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITALS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT;

11 (C) CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS THAT ARE LICENSED AS GENERAL  
12 HOSPITALS AND ARE CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
13 AND ENVIRONMENT UNDER 42 CFR PART 485, SUBPART F;

14 (D) INPATIENT REHABILITATION FACILITIES; OR

15 (E) HOSPITALS SPECIFIED FOR EXEMPTION UNDER 42 CFR 433.68  
16 (e).

17 (II) IN DETERMINING WHETHER A HOSPITAL MAY BE EXCLUDED,  
18 THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING  
19 CRITERIA:

20 (A) A HOSPITAL THAT IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA;

21 (B) A HOSPITAL WITH WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT  
22 CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
23 PROGRAM;

24 (C) A HOSPITAL WHOSE INCLUSION OR EXCLUSION WOULD NOT  
25 SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE NET BENEFIT TO HOSPITALS PAYING THE  
26 PROVIDER FEE; OR

27 (D) A HOSPITAL THAT MUST BE INCLUDED TO RECEIVE FEDERAL

1 APPROVAL.

2 (III) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE  
3 PROVIDER FEE FOR CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO OBTAIN FEDERAL APPROVAL  
4 AND TO MINIMIZE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT ON CERTAIN HOSPITALS. IN  
5 DETERMINING FOR WHICH HOSPITALS THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY  
6 REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
7 SHALL USE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

8 (A) THE HOSPITAL IS A TYPE OF HOSPITAL DESCRIBED IN  
9 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c);

10 (B) THE HOSPITAL IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA;

11 (C) THE HOSPITAL SERVES A HIGHER PERCENTAGE THAN THE  
12 AVERAGE HOSPITAL OF PERSONS COVERED BY THE STATE MEDICAL  
13 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, MEDICARE, OR COMMERCIAL INSURANCE OR  
14 PERSONS ENROLLED IN A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION;

15 (D) THE HOSPITAL DOES NOT CONTRACT WITH THE STATE  
16 DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL  
17 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

18 (E) IF THE HOSPITAL PAID A REDUCED PROVIDER FEE, THE REDUCED  
19 PROVIDER FEE WOULD NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE NET BENEFIT TO  
20 HOSPITALS PAYING THE PROVIDER FEE; OR

21 (F) THE HOSPITAL IS REQUIRED NOT TO PAY A REDUCED PROVIDER  
22 FEE AS A CONDITION OF FEDERAL APPROVAL.

23 (d) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE  
24 ADVISORY BOARD, ALTER THE PROCESS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION  
25 (3) TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO MEET THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS  
26 AND TO OBTAIN FEDERAL APPROVAL.

27 (e) (I) THE STATE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY

1 BOARD, SHALL PROMULGATE RULES ON THE CALCULATION, ASSESSMENT,  
2 AND TIMING OF THE PROVIDER FEE. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
3 ASSESS THE PROVIDER FEE ON A SCHEDULE TO BE SET BY THE STATE  
4 BOARD THROUGH RULE. THE STATE BOARD RULES SHALL REQUIRE THAT  
5 THE PERIODIC PROVIDER FEE PAYMENTS FROM A HOSPITAL AND THE STATE  
6 DEPARTMENT'S REIMBURSEMENT TO THE HOSPITAL UNDER  
7 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) AND (II) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
8 THIS SECTION ARE DUE AS NEARLY SIMULTANEOUSLY AS FEASIBLE; EXCEPT  
9 THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S REIMBURSEMENT TO THE HOSPITAL SHALL  
10 BE DUE NO MORE THAN TWO DAYS AFTER THE PERIODIC PROVIDER FEE  
11 PAYMENT IS RECEIVED FROM THE HOSPITAL. THE PROVIDER FEE SHALL BE  
12 IMPOSED ON EACH HOSPITAL EVEN IF MORE THAN ONE HOSPITAL IS OWNED  
13 BY THE SAME ENTITY. THE FEE SHALL BE PRORATED AND ADJUSTED FOR  
14 THE EXPECTED VOLUME OF SERVICE FOR ANY YEAR IN WHICH A HOSPITAL  
15 OPENS OR CLOSES.

16 (II) THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO REFUND ANY  
17 UNUSED PORTION OF THE PROVIDER FEE. FOR ANY PORTION OF THE  
18 PROVIDER FEE THAT HAS BEEN COLLECTED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
19 BUT FOR WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT RECEIVED FEDERAL  
20 MATCHING FUNDS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL REFUND BACK TO THE  
21 HOSPITAL THAT PAID THE FEE THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PORTION OF THE FEE  
22 WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE FEE IS COLLECTED.

23 (III) THE STATE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY  
24 BOARD, SHALL PROMULGATE RULES ON THE REPORTS THAT HOSPITALS  
25 SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO  
26 CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE. NOTWITHSTANDING THE  
27 PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S., INFORMATION



1 PROVIDED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL  
2 BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC  
3 RECORD. NONETHELESS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION  
4 WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD, MAY PREPARE AND RELEASE SUMMARIES OF  
5 THE REPORTS TO THE PUBLIC.

6 (f) A HOSPITAL SHALL NOT INCLUDE ANY AMOUNT OF THE  
7 PROVIDER FEE AS A SEPARATE LINE ITEM IN ITS BILLING STATEMENTS.

8 (g) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE ANY RULES PURSUANT  
9 TO THE "STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT", ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE  
10 24, C.R.S., NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION  
11 OF THIS SECTION. PRIOR TO SUBMITTING ANY PROPOSED RULES  
12 CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
13 PROVIDER FEE TO THE STATE BOARD, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
14 CONSULT WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD ON THE PROPOSED RULES AS  
15 SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (e) OF SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION.

16 (4) **Hospital provider fee cash fund.** (a) ALL PROVIDER FEES  
17 COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
18 SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT  
19 THE SAME TO THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND, WHICH FUND IS  
20 HEREBY CREATED AND REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "FUND".

21 (b) ALL MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL  
22 MATCHING AS AUTHORIZED UNDER FEDERAL LAW AND SUBJECT TO  
23 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FOLLOWING  
24 PURPOSES:

25 (I) TO MAXIMIZE THE INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
26 REIMBURSEMENTS TO UP TO THE UPPER PAYMENT LIMITS AS DEFINED IN 42  
27 CFR 447.272 AND 42 CFR 447.321;

1           (II) TO INCREASE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS UNDER THE  
2 COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM TO UP TO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT  
3 OF THE HOSPITAL'S COSTS OF PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE UNDER THE  
4 PROGRAM;

5           (III) TO PAY THE QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS PROVIDED IN  
6 SECTION 25.5-4-402 (3);

7           (IV) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE  
8 AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC  
9 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BY:

10           (A) INCREASING THE ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR PARENTS OF  
11 CHILDREN WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OR THE  
12 CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN TO UP TO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE  
13 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

14           (B) INCREASING THE ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR CHILDREN AND  
15 PREGNANT WOMEN UNDER THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN TO UP TO  
16 TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

17           (C) PROVIDING ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL  
18 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR A CHILDLESS ADULT OR ADULTS WITHOUT A  
19 DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME WHO EARNS UP TO ONE HUNDRED  
20 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

21           (D) PROVIDING A BUY-IN PROGRAM IN THE STATE MEDICAL  
22 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR DISABLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN WHOSE  
23 FAMILIES EARN UP TO FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL  
24 POVERTY LEVEL;

25           (V) TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR TWELVE MONTHS  
26 FOR CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

27           (VI) TO PAY THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL ADMINISTRATIVE

1 COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION, INCLUDING  
2 BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING COSTS:

3 (A) EXPENSES OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, INCLUDING BUT NOT  
4 LIMITED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
5 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ADVISORY  
6 BOARD;

7 (B) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS RELATED TO  
8 IMPLEMENTING AND MAINTAINING THE PROVIDER FEE, INCLUDING  
9 PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING, AND CONSULTING EXPENSES;

10 (C) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS FOR THE CHANGES  
11 AND UPDATES TO THE MEDICAID MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR  
12 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) TO (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH  
13 (b);

14 (D) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
15 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO PERSONNEL, CONSULTING SERVICES, AND  
16 FOR REVIEW OF HOSPITAL COSTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND  
17 ADMINISTER THE INCREASES IN INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
18 PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH  
19 (b), INCREASES IN THE COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM PAYMENTS  
20 MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b), AND  
21 QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III)  
22 OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b);

23 (E) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS FOR THE CHANGES  
24 AND UPDATES TO THE COLORADO BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND  
25 MEDICAID MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM TO IMPLEMENT AND  
26 MAINTAIN THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY PROVIDED FOR IN SUBPARAGRAPHS  
27 (IV) AND (V) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b);

1 (F) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
2 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO PERSONNEL NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT  
3 AND ADMINISTER THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC MEDICAL  
4 ASSISTANCE PROVIDED FOR IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (IV) AND (V) OF THIS  
5 PARAGRAPH (b), INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS  
6 ASSOCIATED WITH THE DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC  
7 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS;

8 (G) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING,  
9 AND SYSTEMS COSTS RELATED TO EXPANDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR  
10 INDIVIDUALS TO APPLY FOR PUBLIC MEDICAL ASSISTANCE DIRECTLY AT  
11 HOSPITALS OR THROUGH ANOTHER ENTITY OUTSIDE THE COUNTY  
12 DEPARTMENTS THAT WOULD INCREASE ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEDICAL  
13 ASSISTANCE AND REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNINSURED SERVED BY  
14 HOSPITALS; AND

15 [REDACTED]  
16 (VII) TO OFFSET THE LOSS OF ANY FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS DUE  
17 TO A DECREASE IN THE CERTIFICATION OF THE PUBLIC EXPENDITURE  
18 PROCESS FOR OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES  
19 PREMIUMS THAT WERE IN EFFECT AS OF JULY 1, 2008.

20 (c) ANY MONEYS IN THE FUND NOT EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES  
21 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4) MAY BE INVESTED  
22 BY THE STATE TREASURER AS PROVIDED BY LAW. ALL INTEREST AND  
23 INCOME DERIVED FROM THE INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT OF MONEYS IN THE  
24 FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND. ANY UNEXPENDED AND  
25 UNENCUMBERED MONEYS REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF ANY  
26 FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR  
27 TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND BUT SHALL BE

1 APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED  
2 IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4) IN FUTURE FISCAL YEARS.

3 (5) **Appropriations.** (a) (I) THE PROVIDER FEE IS TO SUPPLEMENT,  
4 NOT SUPPLANT, GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS TO SUPPORT HOSPITAL  
5 REIMBURSEMENTS AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. GENERAL  
6 FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL BE  
7 MAINTAINED AT THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES  
8 PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1,  
9 2008; EXCEPT THAT GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL  
10 REIMBURSEMENTS MAY BE REDUCED IF AN INDEX OF APPROPRIATIONS TO  
11 OTHER PROVIDERS SHOWS THAT GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS ARE  
12 REDUCED FOR OTHER PROVIDERS. IF THE INDEX SHOWS THAT GENERAL  
13 FUND APPROPRIATIONS ARE REDUCED FOR OTHER PROVIDERS, THE  
14 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL  
15 NOT BE REDUCED BY A GREATER PERCENTAGE THAN THE REDUCTIONS OF  
16 APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OTHER PROVIDERS AS SHOWN BY THE INDEX.

17 (II) IF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL  
18 REIMBURSEMENTS ARE REDUCED BELOW THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS  
19 IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL  
20 YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2008, THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS  
21 WILL BE INCREASED BACK TO THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE  
22 MEDICAL SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
23 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2008, AT THE SAME PERCENTAGE AS THE  
24 APPROPRIATIONS FOR OTHER PROVIDERS AS SHOWN BY THE INDEX. THE  
25 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO INCREASE THE GENERAL FUND  
26 APPROPRIATIONS BACK TO THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE MEDICAL  
27 SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM IN A SINGLE FISCAL YEAR AND SUCH

1 INCREASES MAY OCCUR OVER NONCONSECUTIVE FISCAL YEARS.

2 (III) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), THE "INDEX OF  
3 APPROPRIATIONS TO OTHER PROVIDERS" OR "INDEX" SHALL MEAN THE  
4 AVERAGE PERCENT CHANGE IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES THROUGH  
5 APPROPRIATIONS OR LEGISLATION ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
6 TO HOME HEALTH PROVIDERS, PHYSICIAN SERVICES, AND OUTPATIENT  
7 PHARMACIES, EXCLUDING DISPENSING FEES. THE STATE BOARD, AFTER  
8 CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD, IS AUTHORIZED TO CLARIFY  
9 THIS DEFINITION AS NECESSARY BY RULE.

10 (b) IF THE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE IS INSUFFICIENT TO  
11 FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF  
12 SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION:

13 (I) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO APPROPRIATE  
14 GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO FUND SUCH PURPOSES;

15 (II) THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT AND QUALITY  
16 INCENTIVE PAYMENT INCREASES DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) TO  
17 (III) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND THE  
18 COSTS DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (VI) AND (VII) OF PARAGRAPH (b)  
19 OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE FULLY FUNDED USING  
20 REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS  
21 BEFORE ANY ELIGIBILITY EXPANSION IS FUNDED; AND

22 (III) (A) IF THE STATE BOARD PROMULGATES RULES THAT EXPAND  
23 ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO BE PAID FOR PURSUANT TO  
24 SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS  
25 SECTION, AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT THEREAFTER NOTIFIES THE  
26 ADVISORY BOARD THAT THE REVENUE AVAILABLE FROM THE PROVIDER  
27 FEE AND THE FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENT TO PAY

1 FOR ALL OR PART OF THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY, THE ADVISORY BOARD  
2 SHALL RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD REDUCTIONS IN MEDICAL  
3 BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY SO THAT THE REVENUE WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO  
4 PAY FOR ALL OF THE REDUCED BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY. AFTER  
5 RECEIVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, THE STATE  
6 BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES PROVIDING FOR REDUCED BENEFITS OR  
7 REDUCED ELIGIBILITY FOR WHICH THE REVENUE SHALL BE SUFFICIENT AND  
8 SHALL FORWARD ANY ADOPTED RULES TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.  
9 NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-4-103 (8) AND (12),  
10 C.R.S., FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF RULES PURSUANT TO THIS  
11 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A), THE STATE BOARD SHALL NOT SUBMIT THE  
12 RULES TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SHALL NOT FILE THE RULES WITH  
13 THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNTIL THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROVES  
14 THE RULES PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH  
15 (III).

16 (B) THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL PROMPTLY CONSIDER  
17 ANY RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO  
18 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III). THE JOINT BUDGET  
19 COMMITTEE SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THE  
20 STATE BOARD, AND THE ADVISORY BOARD OF ANY ACTION ON SUCH RULES.  
21 IF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE DOES NOT APPROVE THE RULES, THE  
22 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL RECOMMEND A REDUCTION IN BENEFITS  
23 OR ELIGIBILITY SO THAT THE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE AND THE  
24 MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO PAY FOR THE REDUCED  
25 BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY. AFTER APPROVING THE RULES PURSUANT TO  
26 THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B), THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL  
27 REQUEST THAT THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES, CREATED PURSUANT

1 TO SECTION 2-3-501, C.R.S., EXTEND THE RULES AS PROVIDED FOR IN  
2 SECTION 24-4-103 (8), C.R.S., UNLESS THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL  
3 SERVICES FINDS AFTER REVIEW THAT THE RULES DO NOT CONFORM WITH  
4 SECTION 24-4-103 (8) (a), C.R.S.

5 (C) AFTER THE STATE BOARD HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF THE  
6 APPROVAL OF RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A) OF  
7 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III), THE STATE BOARD SHALL SUBMIT THE RULES TO  
8 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (8) (b), C.R.S.,  
9 AND SHALL FILE THE RULES AND THE OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
10 WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (12),  
11 C.R.S., AND WITH THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES.  
12 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (5), C.R.S., THE RULES SHALL BE  
13 EFFECTIVE TWENTY DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE RULES AND SHALL  
14 ONLY BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MAY 15 UNLESS THE RULES  
15 ARE EXTENDED PURSUANT TO A BILL ENACTED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
16 24-4-103 (8), C.R.S.

17 (c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION,  
18 IF, AFTER RECEIPT OF AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE FEDERAL MATCHING  
19 FUNDS FOR MONEYS IN THE FUND, THE AUTHORIZATION IS WITHDRAWN OR  
20 CHANGED SO THAT FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS ARE NO LONGER  
21 AVAILABLE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL CEASE COLLECTING THE  
22 PROVIDER FEE AND SHALL REPAY TO THE HOSPITALS ANY MONEYS  
23 RECEIVED BY THE FUND THAT ARE NOT SUBJECT TO FEDERAL MATCHING  
24 FUNDS.

25 (6) **Hospital provider fee oversight and advisory board.**

26 (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE HOSPITAL  
27 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD, REFERRED TO IN THIS



1 SECTION AS THE "ADVISORY BOARD".

2 (b) (I) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF TWELVE MEMBERS  
3 APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE  
4 SENATE, AS FOLLOWS:

5 (A) FOUR MEMBERS WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY HOSPITALS IN  
6 COLORADO, INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A  
7 HOSPITAL IN A RURAL AREA, ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A  
8 SAFETY-NET HOSPITAL FOR WHICH THE PERCENT OF MEDICAID-ELIGIBLE  
9 INPATIENT DAYS RELATIVE TO ITS TOTAL INPATIENT DAYS SHALL BE EQUAL  
10 TO OR GREATER THAN ONE STANDARD DEVIATION ABOVE THE MEAN, AND  
11 ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A HOSPITAL IN AN URBAN AREA;

12 (B) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE  
13 ORGANIZATION OF HOSPITALS;

14 (C) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION  
15 OF HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS OR A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER  
16 LICENSED PURSUANT TO TITLE 10, C.R.S., AND WHO IS NOT A  
17 REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSPITAL;

18 (D) ONE MEMBER OF THE HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY WHO DOES NOT  
19 REPRESENT A HOSPITAL OR A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER;

20 (E) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A CONSUMER OF HEALTH CARE AND WHO  
21 IS NOT A REPRESENTATIVE OR AN EMPLOYEE OF A HOSPITAL, HEALTH  
22 INSURANCE CARRIER, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY ENTITY;

23 (F) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF PERSONS WITH  
24 DISABILITIES, WHO IS LIVING WITH A DISABILITY, AND WHO IS NOT A  
25 REPRESENTATIVE OR AN EMPLOYEE OF A HOSPITAL, HEALTH INSURANCE  
26 CARRIER, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY ENTITY;

27 (G) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A BUSINESS THAT

1 PURCHASES OR OTHERWISE PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE FOR ITS  
2 EMPLOYEES; AND

3 (H) TWO EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

4 (II) THE GOVERNOR SHALL CONSULT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF  
5 A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF HOSPITALS IN MAKING THE  
6 APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS (A) AND (B) OF  
7 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b). NO MORE THAN SIX MEMBERS  
8 OF THE ADVISORY BOARD MAY BE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL  
9 PARTY.

10 (III) MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL SERVE AT THE  
11 PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR. IN MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS, THE  
12 GOVERNOR SHALL SPECIFY THAT FOUR MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL  
13 TERMS OF TWO YEARS AND THREE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL TERMS  
14 OF THREE YEARS. ALL OTHER TERMS INCLUDING TERMS AFTER THE INITIAL  
15 TERMS SHALL BE FOUR YEARS. A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED TO FILL A  
16 VACANCY SHALL SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE  
17 FORMER MEMBER.

18 (IV) THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE A CHAIR FROM AMONG THE  
19 MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTED PURSUANT TO  
20 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS (A) TO (G) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS  
21 PARAGRAPH (b). THE CHAIR OF THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL ONLY BE  
22 ENTITLED TO VOTE IF THE VOTE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY  
23 BOARD WHO ARE PRESENT AND VOTING ON AN ISSUE WOULD RESULT IN A  
24 TIE VOTE. THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL ELECT A VICE-CHAIR FROM  
25 AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

26 (c) MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL SERVE WITHOUT  
27 COMPENSATION BUT SHALL BE REIMBURSED FROM MONEYS IN THE FUND

1 FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE  
2 OF THEIR DUTIES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

3 (d) THE ADVISORY BOARD MAY DIRECT THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
4 TO CONTRACT FOR A GROUP FACILITATOR TO ASSIST THE MEMBERS OF THE  
5 ADVISORY BOARD IN PERFORMING THEIR REQUIRED DUTIES.

6 (e) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL HAVE, AT A MINIMUM, THE  
7 FOLLOWING DUTIES:

8 (I) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE TIMING AND  
9 METHOD BY WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSESS THE PROVIDER  
10 FEE AND THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE;

11 (II) IF REQUESTED BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
12 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE OR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY  
13 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, TO CONSULT WITH THE COMMITTEES ON ANY  
14 LEGISLATION THAT MAY IMPACT THE PROVIDER FEE OR HOSPITAL  
15 REIMBURSEMENTS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

16 (III) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT CHANGES IN THE  
17 PROVIDER FEE THAT INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALS BENEFITTING  
18 FROM THE USES OF THE PROVIDER FEE DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (I)  
19 TO (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION OR THAT  
20 MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALS THAT SUFFER LOSSES AS A RESULT  
21 OF PAYING THE PROVIDER FEE;

22 (IV) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT REFORMS OR  
23 CHANGES TO THE INPATIENT HOSPITAL AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
24 REIMBURSEMENTS AND QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE UNDER THE  
25 STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO INCREASE PROVIDER  
26 ACCOUNTABILITY, PERFORMANCE, AND REPORTING;

27 (V) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE SCHEDULE

1 AND APPROACH TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (IV) AND  
2 (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

3 (VI) IF MONEYS IN THE FUND ARE INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND  
4 ALL OF THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
5 THIS SECTION, TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD CHANGES TO THE  
6 EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF  
7 PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

8 (VII) TO PREPARE THE REPORTS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (f) OF  
9 THIS SUBSECTION (6);

10 (VIII) TO MONITOR THE IMPACT OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE  
11 ON THE BROADER HEALTH CARE MARKETPLACE; AND

12 (IX) TO PERFORM ANY OTHER DUTIES REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE  
13 ADVISORY BOARD'S CHARGE OR THOSE ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE STATE  
14 BOARD OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

15 (f) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 15, 2010, AND ON OR BEFORE  
16 JANUARY 15 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL  
17 SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
18 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR  
19 ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE  
20 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE STATE BOARD. THE  
21 REPORT SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

22 (I) THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE TO THE STATE BOARD  
23 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

24 (II) A DESCRIPTION OF THE FORMULA FOR HOW THE PROVIDER FEE  
25 IS CALCULATED AND THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE PROVIDER FEE IS  
26 ASSESSED AND COLLECTED;

27 (III) AN ITEMIZATION OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER

1 FEE PAID BY EACH HOSPITAL AND ANY PROJECTED REVENUE THAT EACH  
2 HOSPITAL IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE DUE TO:

3 (A) THE INCREASED REIMBURSEMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO  
4 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) AND (II) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
5 THIS SECTION AND THE QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT  
6 TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS  
7 SECTION; AND

8 (B) THE INCREASED ELIGIBILITY DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS  
9 (IV) AND (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

10 (IV) AN ITEMIZATION OF THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE STATE  
11 DEPARTMENT IN IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THE HOSPITAL  
12 PROVIDER FEE; AND

13 (V) ESTIMATES OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COST OF CARE  
14 PROVIDED AND THE PAYMENT RECEIVED BY HOSPITALS ON A PER-PATIENT  
15 BASIS, AGGREGATED FOR ALL HOSPITALS, FOR PATIENTS COVERED BY EACH  
16 OF THE FOLLOWING:

17 (A) MEDICAID;

18 (B) MEDICARE; AND

19 (C) ALL OTHERS PAYERS.

20 (g) (I) THIS SUBSECTION (6) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.

21 (II) PRIOR TO SAID REPEAL, THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL BE  
22 REVIEWED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

23 (7) **Notice to revisor of statutes - repeal.** (a) WITHIN SIXTY  
24 DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AUTHORIZATION TO  
25 RECEIVE FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE MONEYS IN THE FUND, THE  
26 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF  
27 STATUTES AND TO THE STATE TREASURER INFORMING THEM OF THE

1 AUTHORIZATION.

2 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (3) OF  
3 THIS SECTION, IF THE STATE TREASURER HAS NOT RECEIVED THE NOTICE  
4 REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7) BY JULY 1, 2011,  
5 THE STATE TREASURER SHALL RETURN ALL MONEYS CONTAINED IN THE  
6 FUND TO THE HOSPITALS THAT PAID THE PROVIDER FEE, TOGETHER WITH  
7 ANY INTEREST OR INCOME EARNED ON SUCH MONEYS.

8 (c) IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES DOES NOT RECEIVE THE NOTICE  
9 REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7) BY JULY 1, 2012,  
10 THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012.

11 (d) IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES RECEIVES THE NOTICE REQUIRED  
12 BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7), THIS SUBSECTION (7) IS  
13 REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF  
14 THE NOTICE.

15 **SECTION 2.** 2-3-1203 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

17 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The  
18 following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the  
19 designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

20 (ff) JULY 1, 2019: THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND  
21 ADVISORY BOARD, CREATED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3, C.R.S.

22 **SECTION 3.** 25.5-3-108, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended  
23 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

24 **25.5-3-108. Responsibility of the department of health care**  
25 **policy and financing - provider reimbursement.** (17) **SUBJECT TO**  
26 **ADEQUATE** FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE UNDER SECTION 25.5-4-402.3, THE  
27 STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCREASE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS UP TO

1 ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF HOSPITAL COSTS FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL  
2 CARE UNDER THE PROGRAM.

3 **SECTION 4.** 25.5-4-402 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended, and the said 25.5-4-402 is further amended BY THE  
5 ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

6 **25.5-4-402. Providers - hospital reimbursement - rules.**

7 (1) FOR ALL LICENSED OR CERTIFIED HOSPITALS CONTRACTING FOR  
8 SERVICES UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND ARTICLES 5 AND 6 OF THIS TITLE,  
9 EXCEPT THOSE HOSPITALS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
10 SERVICES OR THOSE HOSPITALS DEEMED EXEMPT BY THE STATE BOARD, the  
11 state department shall pay ~~all licensed or certified hospitals under this~~  
12 ~~article and articles 5 and 6 of this title, except those hospitals operated by~~  
13 ~~the department of human services,~~ FOR INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES  
14 pursuant to a system of prospective payment, generally based on the  
15 elements of ~~the medicare system of~~ A diagnosis-related ~~groups~~ GROUP  
16 SYSTEM. The state department shall develop and administer a system for  
17 ~~assuring~~ ENSURING appropriate utilization and quality of care provided by  
18 those providers who are reimbursed ~~pursuant to the system of prospective~~  
19 ~~payment developed~~ under this section. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
20 APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO MAKE  
21 SUPPLEMENTAL MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN HOSPITALS. The state  
22 board shall promulgate rules to provide for the implementation of this  
23 section.

24 (3) (a) IN ADDITION TO THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE PROCESS  
25 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND SUBJECT TO  
26 ADEQUATE FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION  
27 25.5-4-402.3, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY AN ADDITIONAL

1 AMOUNT BASED UPON PERFORMANCE TO THOSE HOSPITALS THAT PROVIDE  
2 SERVICES THAT IMPROVE HEALTH CARE OUTCOMES FOR THEIR PATIENTS.  
3 THIS AMOUNT SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT BASED  
4 UPON NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED  
5 IN RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD. THE STATE QUALITY  
6 STANDARDS SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL QUALITY STANDARDS  
7 PUBLISHED BY AN ORGANIZATION WITH EXPERTISE IN HEALTH CARE  
8 QUALITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE  
9 AND MEDICAID SERVICES, THE AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND  
10 QUALITY, OR THE NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM.

11 (b) THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO THIS  
12 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE COMPUTED ANNUALLY. FOR THE FIRST TWO  
13 FISCAL YEARS THAT PAYMENTS ARE MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION  
14 (3), THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS SHALL BE UP TO FIVE PERCENT  
15 OF THE TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS MADE TO HOSPITALS IN THE PREVIOUS  
16 YEAR. FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR AFTER THE FIRST TWO FISCAL YEARS, THE  
17 TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS SHALL BE UP TO SEVEN PERCENT OF THE  
18 TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS MADE TO HOSPITALS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

19 **SECTION 5.** 25.5-5-201 (1) (m) (I) and (1) (o), Colorado  
20 Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said 25.5-5-201 (1) is further  
21 amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW  
22 PARAGRAPHS, to read:

23 **25.5-5-201. Optional provisions - optional groups - repeal.**

24 (1) The federal government allows the state to select optional groups to  
25 receive medical assistance. Pursuant to federal law, any person who is  
26 eligible for medical assistance under the optional groups specified in this  
27 section shall receive both the mandatory services specified in sections



1 25.5-5-102 and 25.5-5-103 and the optional services specified in sections  
2 25.5-5-202 and 25.5-5-203. Subject to the availability of federal financial  
3 aid funds, the following are the individuals or groups that Colorado has  
4 selected as optional groups to receive medical assistance pursuant to this  
5 article and articles 4 and 6 of this title:

6 (m) (I) (A) Parents of children who are eligible for the medical  
7 assistance program or the children's basic health plan, article 8 of this  
8 title, whose family income does not exceed a specified percent of the  
9 federal poverty level, adjusted for family size, as set by the state board by  
10 rule, which percentage shall be not less than ~~sixty~~ ONE HUNDRED percent.

11 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH  
12 (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (I), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL  
13 PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
14 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL  
15 MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE  
16 PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND  
18 ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6),  
19 FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
20 PROGRAM OR THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN, THE STATE BOARD BY  
21 RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
22 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED TO SUCH  
23 PARENT WHOSE FAMILY INCOME EXCEEDS SIXTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL  
24 POVERTY LEVEL OR REDUCE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
25 LEVEL TO BELOW ONE HUNDRED PERCENT, BUT THE PERCENTAGE SHALL  
26 NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW SIXTY PERCENT.

27 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH

1 (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (I), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
2 FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL  
3 POVERTY RATE FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL  
4 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN, THE  
5 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN  
6 SIXTY PERCENT. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
7 RECEIVES AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE  
8 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND  
9 WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF  
10 THE AUTHORIZATION. THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (C) IS REPEALED,  
11 EFFECTIVE THE JULY 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE  
12 REVISOR OF STATUTES.

13 (o) (I) Individuals with disabilities who are participating in the  
14 medicaid buy-in program established in part 14 of article 6 of this title.

15 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
16 THIS PARAGRAPH (o), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
17 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
18 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
19 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
20 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
21 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
22 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO  
23 ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN  
24 PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE, THE STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED  
25 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY  
26 REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED OR THE PERCENTAGE OF THE  
27 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OR

1 MAY ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

2 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
3 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (o), INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE  
4 PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN PART  
5 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE SHALL ONLY BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS  
6 UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
7 RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

8 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
9 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS WITH  
10 DISABILITIES WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM  
11 ESTABLISHED IN PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE, THE EXECUTIVE  
12 DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES  
13 INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

14 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
15 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

16 (p) (I) SUBJECT TO FEDERAL APPROVAL, PERSONS OVER EIGHTEEN  
17 YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN  
18 THE HOME WHOSE FAMILY INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED A SPECIFIED  
19 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY  
20 SIZE AND AS SET BY THE STATE BOARD BY RULE, WHICH PERCENTAGE  
21 SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED PERCENT.

22 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
23 THIS PARAGRAPH (p), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
24 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
25 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
26 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
27 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL

1 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
2 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR CHILDLESS PERSONS OR FOR PERSONS  
3 WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME, THE STATE BOARD BY RULE  
4 ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b)  
5 (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED OR THE PERCENTAGE  
6 OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OR  
7 MAY ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

8 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
9 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (p), PERSONS OVER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHO  
10 ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME SHALL  
11 ONLY BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
12 PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION  
13 FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

14 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
15 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO PERSONS OVER  
16 EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT  
17 CHILD IN THE HOME, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN  
18 NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE  
19 AUTHORIZATION.

20 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
21 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

22 (q) CHILDREN WHO ARE CONTINUOUSLY ELIGIBLE FOR TWELVE  
23 MONTHS PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-204.5.

24 (r) (I) PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM  
25 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206 WHOSE FAMILY INCOME  
26 DOES NOT EXCEED A SPECIFIED PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
27 LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE AND AS SET BY THE STATE BOARD BY

1 RULE, WHICH PERCENTAGE SHALL BE NOT MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED  
2 FIFTY PERCENT.

3 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
4 THIS PARAGRAPH (r), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
5 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
6 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
7 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
8 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
9 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
10 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID  
11 BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206, THE  
12 STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF  
13 SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS  
14 OFFERED, OR THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, OR MAY  
15 ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

16 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
17 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (r), PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID BUY-IN  
18 PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206 SHALL ONLY  
19 BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF  
20 THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR SUCH  
21 ELIGIBILITY.

22 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
23 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR  
24 A MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
25 25.5-5-206, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE OF  
26 TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE  
27 AUTHORIZATION.

1 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
2 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

3 SECTION 6. Part 2 of article 5 of title 25.5, Colorado Revised  
4 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW  
5 SECTIONS to read:

6 25.5-5-204.5. Continuous eligibility - children - repeal. (1) A  
7 CHILD WHO IS DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THIS  
8 ARTICLE OR UNDER ARTICLE 4 OR 6 OF THIS TITLE SHALL REMAIN ELIGIBLE  
9 FOR TWELVE MONTHS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN  
10 WHICH THE CHILD WAS ENROLLED; EXCEPT THAT A CHILD SHALL NO  
11 LONGER BE ELIGIBLE AND SHALL BE DISENROLLED FROM THE STATE  
12 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT BECOMES  
13 AWARE OF OR IS NOTIFIED THAT THE CHILD HAS MOVED OUT OF THE STATE  
14 OR HAS REACHED NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE.

15 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF  
16 THIS SECTION, IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND  
17 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER WITH  
18 THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT TO  
19 FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4)  
20 (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER  
21 FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
22 SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), THE STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT  
23 TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY ELIMINATE  
24 THE CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO THIS  
25 SECTION.

26 (3) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF  
27 THIS SECTION, CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN SHALL ONLY BE

1 EFFECTIVE IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION  
2 FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

3 (b) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
4 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN, THE  
5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF  
6 STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

7 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (3) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY 1  
8 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

9 **25.5-5-206. Medicaid buy-in program - disabled children -**  
10 **disabled adults - federal authorization - rules.** (1) (a) SUBJECT TO  
11 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO  
12 SEEK FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO AND TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID BUY IN  
13 PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS FOR:

14 (I) DISABLED CHILDREN; OR

15 (II) DISABLED ADULTS WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE MEDICAID  
16 BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF  
17 THIS TITLE.

18 (b) THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED  
19 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) MAY PROVIDE FOR  
20 PREMIUM AND COST-SHARING CHARGES ON A SLIDING FEE SCALE BASED  
21 UPON A FAMILY'S INCOME.

22 (2) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES CONSISTENT  
23 WITH ANY FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE  
24 MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
25 PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

26 **SECTION 7.** 25.5-6-1403 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:

1           **25.5-6-1403. Waivers and amendments.** (2) If approved by the  
2 joint budget committee following its review of the report and subject to  
3 available appropriations, the state department shall submit to the federal  
4 ~~health care financing administration~~ CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND  
5 MEDICAID SERVICES an amendment to the state medical assistance plan,  
6 and shall request any necessary waivers from the secretary of the federal  
7 department of health and human services, to permit the state department  
8 to expand medical assistance eligibility as provided in this part 14 for the  
9 purpose of implementing a medicaid buy-in program for people with  
10 disabilities who are in the basic coverage group or the medical  
11 improvement group. In addition, the state department shall apply to the  
12 secretary of the federal department of health and human services for a  
13 medicaid infrastructure grant, if available, to develop and implement the  
14 federal "Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999",  
15 Pub.L. 106-170.

16           **SECTION 8.** 25.5-8-103 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, as  
17 amended by Senate Bill 09-211, enacted at the First Regular Session of  
18 the Sixty-seventh General Assembly, is amended to read:";

19           **25.5-8-103. Definitions - repeal.** As used in this article, unless  
20 the context otherwise requires:

21           (4) "Eligible person" means:

22           (a) (I) A person who is less than nineteen years of age, whose  
23 family income does not exceed two hundred ~~five~~ FIFTY percent of the  
24 federal poverty level, adjusted for family size; ~~except that, subject to~~  
25 ~~available appropriations, the department may increase the percentage of~~  
26 ~~the federal poverty level for purposes of eligibility to up to two hundred~~  
27 ~~fifty percent; or~~



1 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
2 THIS PARAGRAPH (a), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
3 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
4 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
5 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
6 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
7 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
8 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PERSONS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS  
9 OF AGE, THE STATE BOARD MAY BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE  
10 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) REDUCE THE  
11 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED  
12 FIFTY PERCENT, BUT THE PERCENTAGE SHALL NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW  
13 TWO HUNDRED FIVE PERCENT;

14 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
15 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
16 FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL  
17 POVERTY RATE FOR A PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE,  
18 THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL NOT EXCEED  
19 TWO HUNDRED FIVE PERCENT.

20 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
21 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF FEDERAL POVERTY  
22 LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE  
23 REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

24 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
25 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

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27 (b) (I) A pregnant woman whose family income does not exceed

1 two hundred ~~five~~ FIFTY percent of the federal poverty level, adjusted for  
2 family size, and who is not eligible for medicaid. ~~except that, subject to~~  
3 ~~available appropriations, the department may increase the percentage of~~  
4 ~~the federal poverty level for purposes of eligibility to up to two hundred~~  
5 ~~fifty percent.~~

6 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
7 THIS PARAGRAPH (b), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
8 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
9 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
10 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
11 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
12 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
13 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PREGNANT WOMEN, THE STATE BOARD  
14 BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION  
15 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL  
16 POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT, BUT THE  
17 PERCENTAGE SHALL NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED ~~FIVE~~  
18 PERCENT.

19 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
20 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
21 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
22 RATE FOR A PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE, THE  
23 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL NOT EXCEED TWO  
24 HUNDRED ~~FIVE~~ PERCENT.

25 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
26 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF FEDERAL POVERTY  
27 LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE

1 REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

2 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
3 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.


4 SECTION 9. 24-4-103 (8) (c) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 24-4-103. Rule-making - procedure - repeal.

7 (8) (c) (I) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary  
8 and the provisions of section 24-4-107, all rules adopted or amended on  
9 or after January 1, 1993, and before November 1, 1993, shall expire at  
10 11:59 p.m. on May 15 of the year following their adoption unless the  
11 general assembly by bill acts to postpone the expiration of a specific rule,  
12 and commencing with rules adopted or amended on or after November 1,  
13 1993, all rules adopted or amended during any one-year period that begins  
14 each November 1 and continues through the following October 31 shall  
15 expire at 11:59 p.m. on the May 15 that follows such one-year period  
16 unless the general assembly by bill acts to postpone the expiration of a  
17 specific rule; EXCEPT THAT A RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
18 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III), C.R.S., SHALL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M. ON THE  
19 MAY 15 FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF THE RULE UNLESS THE GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY ACTS BY BILL TO POSTPONE THE EXPIRATION OF A SPECIFIC  
21 RULE. The general assembly, in its discretion, may postpone such  
22 expiration, in which case, the provisions of section 24-4-108 or  
23 24-34-104 shall apply, and the rules shall expire or be subject to review  
24 as provided in said sections. The postponement of the expiration of a rule  
25 shall not constitute legislative approval of the rule nor be admissible in  
26 any court as evidence of legislative intent. The postponement of the  
27 expiration date of a specific rule shall not prohibit any action by the

1 general assembly pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (d) of this  
2 subsection (8) with respect to such rule.

3 **SECTION 10. Accountability.** Five years after this act becomes  
4 law and in accordance with section 2-2-1201, Colorado Revised Statutes,  
5 the legislative service agencies of the Colorado General Assembly shall  
6 conduct a post-enactment review of the implementation of this act  
7 utilizing the information contained in the legislative declaration set forth  
8 in section 25.5-4-402.3 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes.

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10 **SECTION 11. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
11 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
12 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.