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HOUSE BILL 11-1242

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Ferrandino,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

House Committees

Health and Environment
Appropriations

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE SERVICES**
102 **PURSUANT TO THE COLORADO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

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 bill requires the department of health care policy and financing (the department) to review certain issues that relate to the provision of both physical and mental health care services to a patient during the same appointment as part of an integrated system of patient care, and any barriers to the integrated care. The department shall seek

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.*

input concerning the issues from behavioral health organizations and community mental health centers, as well as other health care providers as determined by the department.

The department shall report to certain committees of the general assembly concerning the issues reviewed pursuant to the bill.

The section repeals on July 1, 2012.

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 **25.5-4-418. Integration of physical and behavioral health**
6 **services - department review - report - repeal.** (1) (a) THE GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

8 (I) AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO HEALTH CARE ADDRESSES THE
9 MENTAL HEALTH, INCLUDING SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, ORAL HEALTH,
10 AND PHYSICAL HEALTH NEEDS OF A PATIENT AT THE TIME HEALTH CARE
11 SERVICES ARE PROVIDED;

12 (II) INTEGRATION OF PHYSICAL, ORAL, AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
13 CARE SERVICES REDUCES COSTS, IMPROVES PATIENT HEALTH OUTCOMES,
14 AND CREATES A SEAMLESS CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR THE PATIENT; AND

15 (III) VARIOUS HEALTH CARE REFORM INITIATIVES ARE BEING
16 STUDIED OR IMPLEMENTED IN COLORADO, INCLUDING ACCOUNTABLE CARE
17 ORGANIZATIONS, MEDICAL HOMES, HEALTH HOMES FOR CHRONIC
18 CONDITIONS, AND REGIONAL CARE COORDINATION ORGANIZATIONS, ALL
19 OF WHICH SEEK TO IMPROVE THE INTEGRATION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

20 (b) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS AND DECLARES THAT
21 CURRENT REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR PROVIDERS PROVIDING PHYSICAL
22 AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES ON THE SAME DAY ARE

1 COMPLICATED AND THE POLICIES CREATE A BARRIER TO THE SEAMLESS
2 INTEGRATION OF THESE SERVICES FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE PATIENT.

3 (2) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEEK INPUT FROM BEHAVIORAL
4 HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS, AND
5 PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER HEALTH CARE
6 PROVIDERS AS DETERMINED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AND SHALL
7 REVIEW THE FOLLOWING ISSUES:

8 (a) THE STATE AND FEDERAL STATUTES AND REGULATIONS
9 AFFECTING THE INTEGRATED DELIVERY OF PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL
10 HEALTH, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO STATUTES AND REGULATIONS
11 RELATING TO PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT, AND THE TIME AND PLACE OF
12 DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES;

13 (b) ANY BARRIERS OR OBSTACLES TO THE DELIVERY OF
14 INTEGRATED PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES;

15 (c) ANY REVISIONS TO STATE STATUTES OR REGULATIONS THAT
16 WOULD FACILITATE THE INTEGRATION OF PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL
17 HEALTH CARE SERVICES; AND

18 (d) INCENTIVES FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT MAY
19 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PROVIDERS DELIVERING INTEGRATED HEALTH
20 CARE SERVICES.

21 (3) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET
22 COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE HEALTH AND HUMAN
23 SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE,
24 AND THE HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE:

26 (a) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2012, CONCERNING THE ISSUE
27 SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (c) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION; AND

1 (b) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2012, CONCERNING THE REMAINING
2 ISSUES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.

3 (4) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012.

4 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
5 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
6 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
7 10, 2011, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2011); except that, if a
8 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
9 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
10 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect
11 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
12 November 2012 and shall take effect on the date of the official
13 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.