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# FACT SHEET



## Colorado Department of Human Services H.B. 13-1055

Concerning reducing inefficiency in the eligibility redetermination  
process for the Colorado Works program

Representative Jenise May and Senator John Kefalas

### LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT

- Currently, state statute, 26-2-709 (1.3) C.R.S. (2012), requires that the Colorado Works program conduct an annual face-to-face redetermination for the purpose of updating and confirming eligibility information; however, the counties either already have this information or could obtain it by phone, mail, or through updated automatic information-sharing interfaces.
- Eliminating this requirement will reduce county administrative time allowing resources to be used for other purposes, including timely processing of new and renewal applications and case management.
- Parents eligible for the Colorado Works Program are required to meet with county representatives face-to-face on a regular basis (weekly or monthly) to develop and update their Individual Responsibility Contract and work toward their employment goals.
- The additional face-to-face annual redetermination meeting is duplicative and can cause additional administrative work for county staff and lost work productivity for program participants.
- The Colorado Works face-to-face requirement conflicts with the redetermination procedures for other programs forcing multiple redetermination practices for participants receiving benefits from more than one public assistance program.



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**Key Changes:** Amend statute to allow counties to meet the redetermination face-to-face meeting requirements through other means.

**Supporters:** Colorado Center on Law and Policy, All Families Deserve a Chance, Lutheran Advocacy Ministry – Colorado, Colorado Interfaith Voices for Justice, Denver Human Services, Jefferson County Human Services.