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INTERIM COMMITTEE BILL

Hospice and Palliative Care in Colorado

SHORT TITLE: "Med Orders Scope Of Treatment"

	A BILL FOR AN ACT			
101	CONCERNING MEDICAL ORDERS DETERMINING THE SCOPE OF			
102	TREATMENT AN ADULT WISHES TO RECEIVE UNDER CERTAIN			
103	CIRCUMSTANCES.			

Bill Summary

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

Hospice and Palliative Care in Colorado. Provides that a medical orders for scope of treatment form (MOST form) that is properly executed and signed by an adult's physician or advanced practice nurse or, if under the supervision or authority of the physician, a physician's assistant shall have the same force and effect as a physician's order with respect to medical treatment of the person who is the subject of the

MOST form. Permits an adult with decisional capacity or an authorized decision-maker for an adult who lacks decisional capacity to execute a MOST form.

Requires the state board of health to promulgate rules establishing protocols for the use of MOST forms by emergency medical service professionals, health care providers, and health care facilities.

Requires an emergency medical service professional, health care provider, or health care facility to comply with a MOST form that is apparent and immediately available. Exempts an emergency medical service professional, health care provider, or health care facility that complies with a MOST form from civil or criminal liability or regulatory sanction. Provides that a verbal order from an adult's physician or advanced practice nurse or, if under the supervision or authority of the physician, a physician's assistant shall have the same force and effect as an executed MOST form so long as the verbal order is countersigned by the adult's physician or advanced practice nurse or, if under the supervision or authority of the physician, a physician's assistant. Provides that neither the existence nor absence of a MOST form shall be the basis for any delay in issuing or refusing to issue an annuity or policy of life or health insurance or any increase of a premium therefor. Clarifies the effect of a MOST form on conflicting provisions of another form of advance medical directive.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:				
2	SECTION 1. Title 15, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY				
3	THE ADDITION OF A NEW ARTICLE to read:				
4	ARTICLE 18.7				
5	Directives Concerning Medical Orders				
6	for Scope of Treatment				
7	15-18.7-101. Legislative declaration. (1) THE GENERAL				
8	ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS THAT:				
9	(a) COLORADO LAW HAS TRADITIONALLY RECOGNIZED THE RIGHT				
10	OF AN ADULT OR HIS OR HER AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER				
11	TO ACCEPT OR REJECT MEDICAL TREATMENT AND ARTIFICIAL				
12	NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION;				
13	(b) EACH ADULT HAS THE RIGHT TO ESTABLISH, IN ADVANCE OF				

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1	THE NEED FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT, DIRECTIVES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR
2	THE ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICAL TREATMENT IN THE EVENT THE ADULT
3	LATER LACKS THE DECISIONAL CAPACITY TO PROVIDE INFORMED CONSENT
4	TO, WITHDRAW FROM, OR REFUSE MEDICAL TREATMENT;
5	(c) CURRENT INSTRUMENTS FOR MAKING ADVANCE MEDICAL
6	DIRECTIVES ARE OFTEN UNDERUTILIZED, HAMPERED BY INSTITUTIONAL
7	BARRIERS, AND INCONSISTENTLY INTERPRETED AND IMPLEMENTED; AND
8	(d) THE FRAIL ELDERLY, CHRONICALLY OR TERMINALLY ILL, AND
9	NURSING HOME RESIDENT POPULATIONS ARE IN PARTICULAR NEED OF A
10	CONSISTENT METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING AND COMMUNICATING CRITICAL
11	TREATMENT PREFERENCES THAT EACH SECTOR OF THE HEALTH CARE
12	COMMUNITY WILL RECOGNIZE AND FOLLOW.
13	(2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THEREFORE CONCLUDES THAT IT IS
14	IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF COLORADO TO ADOPT STATUTES
15	PROVIDING FOR MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT. CONSISTENT
16	WITH THE GOALS OF ENHANCING PATIENT-CENTERED, COMPASSIONATE
17	CARE THROUGH METHODS TO ENHANCE CONTINUITY ACROSS SETTINGS,
18	MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT WILL PROVIDE A PROCESS FOR
19	TIMELY DISCUSSION BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR HEALTH CARE
20	PROVIDERS ABOUT CHOICES TO ACCEPT, WITHDRAW, OR REFUSE
21	LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT AND, THROUGH THE USE OF A SINGLE,
22	STANDARDIZED FORM, WILL ENSURE THOSE PREFERENCES ARE CLEARLY
23	AND UNEQUIVOCALLY DOCUMENTED.
24	15-18.7-102. Definitions. AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE
25	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
26	(1) "ADULT" MEANS ANY PERSON EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR
27	OLDER.

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1	(2) "ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVE" MEANS A WRITTEN
2	INSTRUCTION CONCERNING MEDICAL TREATMENT DECISIONS TO BE MADE
3	ON BEHALF OF THE ADULT WHO PROVIDED THE INSTRUCTION. AN ADVANCE
4	MEDICAL DIRECTIVE INCLUDES, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:
5	(a) A MEDICAL DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY EXECUTED
6	PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-14-506;
7	(b) A DECLARATION EXECUTED PURSUANT TO THE "COLORADO
8	MEDICAL TREATMENT DECISION ACT", ARTICLE 18 OF THIS TITLE;
9	(c) A POWER OF ATTORNEY GRANTING MEDICAL TREATMENT
10	AUTHORITY EXECUTED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1992, PURSUANT TO SECTION
11	15-14-501, AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO THAT DATE; OR
12	(d) A CPR DIRECTIVE OR DECLARATION EXECUTED PURSUANT TO
13	ARTICLE 18.6 OF THIS TITLE.
14	(3) "ARTIFICIAL NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION" MEANS:
15	(a) NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION SUPPLIED THROUGH A TUBE
16	INSERTED INTO THE STOMACH, INTESTINES, NOSE, OR MOUTH; OR
17	(b) NUTRIENTS OR FLUIDS INJECTED INTRAVENOUSLY INTO THE
18	BLOODSTREAM.
19	(4) "AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER" MEANS A
20	GUARDIAN APPOINTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 OF THIS TITLE, AN AGENT
21	APPOINTED PURSUANT TO A MEDICAL DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY, A
22	PROXY DECISION-MAKER FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT DECISIONS APPOINTED
23	PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 18.5 OF THIS TITLE, OR A SIMILARLY AUTHORIZED
24	SURROGATE, AS DEFINED BY THE LAWS OF ANOTHER STATE, WHO IS
25	AUTHORIZED TO MAKE MEDICAL DECISIONS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL LACKING
26	DECISIONAL CAPACITY.
27	(5) "CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION" OR "CPR" SHALL HAVE

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- 1 THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 15-18.6-101 (1). 2 (6) "CPR DIRECTIVE" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS SET 3 FORTH IN SECTION 15-18.6-101 (2). 4 (7) "DECISIONAL CAPACITY" MEANS THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE 5 INFORMED CONSENT TO, WITHDRAWAL FROM, OR REFUSAL OF MEDICAL 6 TREATMENT. 7 (8) "EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROFESSIONAL" MEANS AN 8 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN WHO IS CERTIFIED OR LICENSED BY THE 9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, CREATED AND 10 EXISTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-1-102, C.R.S., OR ANY FIRST 11 RESPONDER CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND 12 ENVIRONMENT OR THE DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY IN THE OFFICE OF 13 PREPAREDNESS, SECURITY, AND FIRE SAFETY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF 14 PUBLIC SAFETY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 12 OF ARTICLE 33.5 OF TITLE 15 24, C.R.S.
- 16 (9) "HEALTH CARE FACILITY" MEANS A HOSPITAL, A HOSPICE 17 INPATIENT RESIDENCE, A NURSING FACILITY, A CARE CENTER, A DIALYSIS 18 TREATMENT FACILITY, AN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY, AN ENTITY THAT 19 PROVIDES HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES, A HOSPICE OR HOME 20 HEALTH CARE AGENCY, OR ANOTHER FACILITY ADMINISTERING OR 21 CONTRACTING TO ADMINISTER MEDICAL TREATMENT, WHICH FACILITY IS 22 LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED OR PERMITTED BY LAW 23 TO ADMINISTER MEDICAL TREATMENT.
 - (10) "HEALTH CARE PROVIDER" MEANS:

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(a) A PHYSICIAN OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO ADMINISTERS MEDICAL TREATMENT TO AN ADULT AND WHO IS LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR 27 OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED OR PERMITTED BY LAW TO ADMINISTER MEDICAL

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1	TREATMENT OR WHO IS EMPLOYED BY OR ACTING FOR SUCH AN				
2	AUTHORIZED PERSON; OR				
3	(b) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION LICENSED AND				
4	CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN THIS STATE.				
5	(11) "MEDICAL TREATMENT" MEANS THE PROVISION,				
6	WITHHOLDING, OR WITHDRAWAL OF ANY:				
7	(a) HEALTH CARE;				
8	(b) MEDICAL PROCEDURE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO				
9	SURGERY, CPR, AND ARTIFICIAL NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION; OR				
10	(c) SERVICE TO MAINTAIN, DIAGNOSE, TREAT, OR PROVIDE FOR A				
11	PATIENT'S PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OR PERSONAL CARE.				
12	15-18.7-103. Medical orders for scope of treatment - forms -				
13	rules. (1) On or before January 1, 2010, the state board of				
14	HEALTH CREATED IN SECTION 25-1-103, C.R.S., SHALL PROMULGATE				
15	RULES AND PROTOCOLS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A STANDARDIZED				
16	MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM BY EMERGENCY				
17	MEDICAL SERVICE PROFESSIONALS, HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, AND HEALTH				
18	CARE FACILITIES. THE PROTOCOLS SHALL INCLUDE UNIFORM METHODS				
19	FOR RAPID IDENTIFICATION OF AN ADULT WHO HAS EXECUTED A MEDICAL				
20	ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM, CONTROLLED DISTRIBUTION OF				
21	THE STANDARDIZED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM,				
22	AND A REQUIREMENT THAT EACH MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF				
23	TREATMENT FORM INCLUDE THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION				
24	(2) OF THIS SECTION.				
25	(2) PROTOCOLS ESTABLISHED BY RULES PROMULGATED BY THE				
26	STATE BOARD OF HEALTH PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION				
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1	INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ADULT WHOSE
2	MEDICAL TREATMENT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE
3	OF TREATMENT FORM:
4	(a) THE ADULT'S NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, AND SEX;
5	(b) THE ADULT'S EYE AND HAIR COLOR;
6	(c) THE ADULT'S RACE OR ETHNIC BACKGROUND;
7	(d) IF APPLICABLE, THE NAME OF THE HOSPICE PROGRAM IN WHICH
8	THE ADULT IS ENROLLED;
9	(e) THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE
10	ADULT'S PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S
11	ASSISTANT;
12	(f) THE ADULT'S SIGNATURE OR MARK OR, IF APPLICABLE, THE
13	SIGNATURE OF THE ADULT'S AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER;
14	(g) THE DATE UPON WHICH THE MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF
15	TREATMENT FORM WAS SIGNED;
16	(h) THE ADULT'S INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING:
17	(I) THE ADMINISTRATION OF CPR;
18	(II) OTHER MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED
19	TO CONSENT TO COMFORT MEASURES ONLY, TRANSFER TO A HOSPITAL,
20	LIMITED INTERVENTION, OR FULL TREATMENT;
21	(III) THE USE OF ANTIBIOTICS; AND
22	(IV) THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION; AND
23	(i) THE SIGNATURE OF THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN OR ADVANCED
24	PRACTICE NURSE OR, IF UNDER THE SUPERVISION OR AUTHORITY OF THE
25	PERSON'S PHYSICIAN, A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT.
26	15-18.7-104. Duty to comply with medical orders for scope of
27	treatment - immunity - effect on criminal charges against another

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- 1 **person.** (1) AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROFESSIONAL, HEALTH
- 2 CARE PROVIDER, OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY SHALL COMPLY WITH AN
- 3 ADULT'S EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM
- 4 THAT IS APPARENT AND IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.
- 5 (2) AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROFESSIONAL, HEALTH
- 6 CARE PROVIDER, HEALTH CARE FACILITY, OR OTHER PERSON WHO, IN GOOD
- 7 FAITH, COMPLIES WITH AN EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF
- 8 TREATMENT FORM SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LIABILITY
- 9 OR REGULATORY SANCTION FOR SUCH COMPLIANCE.
- 10 (3) COMPLIANCE BY AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
- 11 PROFESSIONAL, HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY WITH
- 12 AN EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL
- NOT AFFECT THE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF A PERSON OTHERWISE
- 14 CHARGED WITH THE COMMISSION OF A CRIMINAL ACT.
- 15 (4) IN THE ABSENCE OF AN EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE
- 16 OF TREATMENT FORM DECLINING CPR OR A CPR DIRECTIVE, AN ADULT'S
- 17 CONSENT TO CPR SHALL BE PRESUMED.
- 18 (5) AN ADULT'S PHYSICIAN OR ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE OR, IF
- 19 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN, A PHYSICIAN'S
- 20 ASSISTANT MAY PROVIDE A VERBAL CONFIRMATION TO A HEALTH CARE
- 21 PROVIDER OF AN ADULT'S EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF
- TREATMENT FORM. THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER SHALL ANNOTATE ON
- THE MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM THE TIME AND
- 24 DATE OF THE VERBAL CONFIRMATION AND THE NAME AND LICENSE
- 25 NUMBER OF THE PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S
- ASSISTANT. THE PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S
- 27 ASSISTANT SHALL COUNTERSIGN THE MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF

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1 TREATMENT FORM WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER PROVIDING A VERBAL 2 CONFIRMATION. THE SIGNATURE OF THE PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE 3 NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY BE PROVIDED BY PHOTOCOPY, 4 FAX, OR ELECTRONIC MEANS. A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF 5 TREATMENT FORM WITH ANNOTATED VERBAL CONFIRMATION, AND A 6 PHOTOCOPY, FAX, OR OTHER ELECTRONIC REPRODUCTION THEREOF, SHALL 7 BE GIVEN THE SAME FORCE AND EFFECT AS THE ORIGINAL SIGNED BY THE 8 PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT. 9 15-18.7-105. Medical orders for scope of treatment form - who 10 may consent. (1) AN ADULT WHO HAS DECISIONAL CAPACITY MAY 11 EXECUTE A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM. 12 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 15-18.7-108, THE 13 AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER FOR AN ADULT WHO LACKS 14 DECISIONAL CAPACITY MAY EXECUTE A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF 15 TREATMENT FORM FOR SAID ADULT. 16 Medical orders for scope of treatment as 15-18.7-106. 17 physician's order - effect of declaration after inpatient admission or 18 admission to a long-term care facility. (1) A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR 19 SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM THAT IS PROPERLY EXECUTED BY OR FOR AN 20 ADULT PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE AND SIGNED BY 21 THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN OR ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE OR, IF UNDER THE 22 SUPERVISION OR AUTHORITY OF THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN, A PHYSICIAN'S 23 ASSISTANT SHALL HAVE THE SAME FORCE AND EFFECT AS A PHYSICIAN'S 24 ORDER CONCERNING THE ADULT'S MEDICAL TREATMENT. 25 (2) IF AN ADULT HAS A PROPERLY EXECUTED AND SIGNED MEDICAL 26 ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM, THE FORM SHALL ACCOMPANY

THE ADULT UPON ADMISSION TO OR DISCHARGE FROM A HEALTH CARE

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1	FACILITY AND SHALL BE HONORED BY THE RECEIVING HEALTH CARE
2	FACILITY AND BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROFESSIONALS AND
3	HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AS VALID PHYSICIAN'S ORDERS.
4	(3) A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER SHALL RESPECT AND HONOR THE
5	CONTENTS OF A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM THAT
6	IS PROPERLY EXECUTED BY OR ON BEHALF OF AN ADULT AND SIGNED BY
7	THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN OR ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE OR, IF UNDER THE
8	SUPERVISION OF THE ADULT'S PHYSICIAN, A PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT. THE
9	FACT THAT THE SIGNING PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR
10	PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT DOES NOT HAVE ADMITTING PRIVILEGES AT THE
11	HOSPITAL OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY WHERE THE ADULT IS BEING TREATED
12	DOES NOT REMOVE THE OBLIGATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (3) TO
13	RESPECT AND HONOR THE MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT
14	FORM.
15	15-18.7-107. Effect of a medical orders for scope of treatment
16	form on life or health insurance. NEITHER A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR
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	SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM NOR THE FAILURE OF A PERSON TO EXECUTE
18	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT,
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	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT,
19	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN
19 20	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN ANNUITY OR BE THE BASIS FOR ANY DELAY IN ISSUING OR REFUSING TO
19 20 21	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN ANNUITY OR BE THE BASIS FOR ANY DELAY IN ISSUING OR REFUSING TO ISSUE AN ANNUITY OR POLICY OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR ANY
19 20 21 22	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN ANNUITY OR BE THE BASIS FOR ANY DELAY IN ISSUING OR REFUSING TO ISSUE AN ANNUITY OR POLICY OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR ANY INCREASE OF A PREMIUM THEREFOR.
19 20 21 22 23	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN ANNUITY OR BE THE BASIS FOR ANY DELAY IN ISSUING OR REFUSING TO ISSUE AN ANNUITY OR POLICY OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR ANY INCREASE OF A PREMIUM THEREFOR. 15-18.7-108. Effect of article on existing advance medical
19 20 21 22 23 24	A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM SHALL AFFECT, IMPAIR, OR MODIFY A CONTRACT OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR AN ANNUITY OR BE THE BASIS FOR ANY DELAY IN ISSUING OR REFUSING TO ISSUE AN ANNUITY OR POLICY OF LIFE OR HEALTH INSURANCE OR ANY INCREASE OF A PREMIUM THEREFOR. 15-18.7-108. Effect of article on existing advance medical directives. (1) IN EXECUTING A MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF

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- 1 ASSISTANT SIGNING THE FORM SHALL MAKE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO
- 2 LOCATE AND INCORPORATE, AS APPROPRIATE AND DESIRED, TREATMENT
- 3 PREFERENCES DOCUMENTED IN THE ADULT'S PREVIOUSLY EXECUTED
- 4 ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVES, IF ANY.

FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM.

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- 5 (2) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF 6 SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, IN CASES OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN A 7 MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT FORM AND AN ADULT'S 8 ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVES. THE DOCUMENT MOST RECENTLY 9 EXECUTED SHALL TAKE PRECEDENCE FOR THE MEDICAL DECISION OR 10 TREATMENT PREFERENCE AT ISSUE. MEDICAL DECISIONS AND TREATMENT 11 PREFERENCES DOCUMENTED IN AN ADULT'S ADVANCE MEDICAL 12 DIRECTIVES OR ASSERTED BY AN AUTHORIZED SURROGATE 13 DECISION-MAKER ON THE ADULT'S BEHALF, BUT NOT SPECIFICALLY 14 ADDRESSED IN A MORE RECENTLY EXECUTED MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE 15 OF TREATMENT FORM, SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE MEDICAL ORDERS
- 17 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION:
 - (a) AN AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER OR A PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE, OR PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT MAY NOT REVOKE OR ALTER AN ADULT'S PREVIOUSLY EXECUTED ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVE REGARDING PROVISION OF ARTIFICIAL NOURISHMENT AND HYDRATION IF THE ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVE IS DOCUMENTED IN A DECLARATION EXECUTED BY THE ADULT PURSUANT TO THE "COLORADO MEDICAL TREATMENT DECISION ACT", ARTICLE 18 OF THIS TITLE.
 - (b) AN AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER MAY NOT REVOKE A PREEXISTING CPR DIRECTIVE UNLESS IT WAS ORIGINALLY

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(c) AN AUTHORIZED SURROGATE DECISION-MAKER WHO IS	A
PROXY DECISION-MAKER PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 18.5 OF THIS TITLE MA	43
AUTHORIZE THE WITHDRAWAL OF ARTIFICIAL NOURISHMENT AN	٧Ľ
HYDRATION ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-18.5-103 (6).	

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 11, 2010, if adjournment sine die is on May 12, 2010); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2010 and shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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