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LLS NO. 07-0156.01 Kristen Forrestal

**SENATE BILL 07-080**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF CERVICAL CANCER.**

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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.)*

Requires a female student and her parent or guardian to be presented with information regarding the link between human papillomavirus and cervical cancer and the availability of a vaccine. Requires female students to present evidence of the receipt of the vaccine prior to attending school or the election of the parent or guardian for the student not to receive the vaccine. Requires the executive director of the department of public health and environment to prescribe the content of the information to be given to the female student and the parent or guardian of the student and the appropriate forms to present to the school.

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.*

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

2 SECTION 1. Part 9 of article 4 of title 25, Colorado Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to  
4 read:

5 25-4-902.3. Immunization for the prevention of cervical cancer  
6 - rules. (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND  
7 DECLARES THAT:

8 (a) CREDIBLE MEDICAL EVIDENCE HAS ESTABLISHED THAT THERE  
9 IS A LINK BETWEEN THE HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS AND CERVICAL CANCER  
10 AND THAT A VACCINE FOR THE HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS MAY REDUCE THE  
11 INCIDENCE OF CERVICAL CANCER IN WOMEN.

12 (b) VACCINATING YOUNG GIRLS AND WOMEN AGAINST THE HUMAN  
13 PAPILLOMAVIRUS MAY BE AN EFFECTIVE WAY TO SAVE LIVES, PREVENT  
14 DEBILITATING DISEASE, AND REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF RESOURCES SPENT  
15 LATER FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES.

16 (c) IMMEDIATE ACTION BY THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH TO  
17 PROMULGATE AND ADOPT RULES TO IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
18 THIS SECTION IS NECESSARY TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE PUBLIC  
19 HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF COLORADO.  
20 THEREFORE, IT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION TO REQUIRE THAT FEMALE  
21 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS BE GIVEN ACCURATE INFORMATION  
22 REGARDING THE LINK BETWEEN THE HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS AND  
23 CERVICAL CANCER AND THE AVAILABILITY OF THE VACCINE.

24 (2) A FEMALE STUDENT BETWEEN THE AGES OF ELEVEN AND  
25 EIGHTEEN AND HER PARENT OR GUARDIAN SHALL BE GIVEN INFORMATION  
26 BY THE STUDENT'S HEALTH CARE PROVIDER ABOUT THE LINK BETWEEN

1 HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS AND CERVICAL CANCER AND THE AVAILABILITY  
2 OF A HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS VACCINE.

3 (3) ON AND AFTER THE DATE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
4 AND ENVIRONMENT CERTIFIES THAT THERE IS AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF  
5 HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO ADMINISTER THE HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS  
6 VACCINE TO UNDERINSURED CHILDREN, UNLESS THE REQUIREMENT TO BE  
7 VACCINATED FOR HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS IS SUSPENDED BY THE STATE  
8 BOARD OF HEALTH IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25-4-904, NO FEMALE  
9 STUDENT SHALL BE ADMITTED TO THE SIXTH GRADE IN ANY SCHOOL IN  
10 COLORADO UNLESS SHE SUBMITS ACCEPTABLE EVIDENCE TO THE SCHOOL  
11 THAT SHE HAS BEEN VACCINATED FOR HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS OR THAT,  
12 AFTER RECEIVING THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS  
13 SECTION, THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN HAS ELECTED FOR THE  
14 STUDENT NOT TO RECEIVE THE VACCINE.

15 (4) (a) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
16 HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE SHALL PRESCRIBE  
17 THE CONTENT OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS  
18 SECTION AND THE APPROPRIATE FORMS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
19 SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.

20 (b) THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND  
21 THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH SHALL ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY TO  
22 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

23 **SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01  
24 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after  
25 final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting  
26 a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state  
27 constitution, (August 8, 2007, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2007);

1 except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an item,  
2 section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section,  
3 or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of the  
4 official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor.