

**First Regular Session  
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STATE OF COLORADO**

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LLS NO. 09-0055.01 Jane Ritter

**SENATE BILL 09-048**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101     **CONCERNING THE FINANCIAL AUDIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHILD'S**  
102     **REPRESENTATIVE.**

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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.)*

**Legislative Audit Committee.** Removes the statutorily required financial audit of the office of the child's representative.

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

2     **SECTION 1.** 13-91-105 (1) (g), (1) (h), and (1) (i), Colorado

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.*

1 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

2 **13-91-105. Duties of the office of the child's representative -**  
3 **guardian ad litem programs - CASA programs.** (1) In addition to any  
4 responsibilities assigned to it by the chief justice, the office of the child's  
5 representative shall:

6 (g) ~~Cause an annual, independent financial audit to be performed~~  
7 ~~on the financial aspects of the office of the child's representative, the~~  
8 ~~reports for which shall be submitted to the members of the general~~  
9 ~~assembly and the state court administrator's office, together with the~~  
10 ~~reports specified in paragraphs (h) and (i) of this subsection (1);~~

11 (h) Cause a program review and outcome-based evaluation of the  
12 performance of the office of the child's representative to be conducted  
13 annually to determine whether the office is effectively and efficiently  
14 meeting the goals of improving child and family well-being and the duties  
15 set forth in this section, the reports for which shall be submitted to the  
16 members of the general assembly and the state court administrator's  
17 office, together with the reports specified in ~~paragraphs (g) and~~  
18 ~~PARAGRAPH (i) of this subsection (1); and~~

19 (i) Report the activities of the office of the child's representative  
20 to the members of the general assembly and to the state court  
21 administrator's office, together with the reports specified in ~~paragraphs~~  
22 ~~(g) and~~ PARAGRAPH (h) of this subsection (1), on or before September 1,  
23 2001, and on or before September 1 of each year thereafter.

24 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
25 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is  
27 allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V,

1 section 1 (3) of the state constitution, (August 4, 2009, if adjournment  
2 sine die is on May 6, 2009); except that, if a referendum petition is filed  
3 against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period,  
4 then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take  
5 effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by  
6 proclamation of the governor.