## Second Regular Session Sixty-seventh General Assembly STATE OF COLORADO

## **INTRODUCED**

LLS NO. 10-0351.01 Jery Payne

HOUSE BILL 10-1222

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Middleton,

Carroll M.,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

House Committees Business Affairs and Labor **Senate Committees** 

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE REQUIREMENT THAT A

102 COLLECTION AGENCY MAINTAIN AN OFFICE IN COLORADO.

## **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.)

Sunset Process - House Business Affairs and Labor Committee. This bill continues indefinitely the requirement that a collection agency maintain an office in Colorado, adding the requirements that the office accept a payment and notify consumers of the office.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. 12-14-123 (1) (b) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, 3 is amended to read: 4 12-14-123. Duties of collection agencies - repeal. (1) A licensee 5 shall: 6 (b) (I) (A) Maintain, at all times, an office within this state that is 7 open to the public during normal business hours, is staffed by at least one 8 full-time employee, and keeps a record of all moneys collected and 9 remitted by the agency for residents of Colorado, AND ACCEPTS 10 PAYMENTS PHYSICALLY MADE AT THE OFFICE FOR ANY DEBT THE AGENCY 11 IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT. 12 (B) This subparagraph (I) is repealed, effective July 1, 2010. The 13 department of regulatory agencies shall review the requirements of this 14 subparagraph (I) and shall make recommendations to the general 15 assembly by October 1, 2009, pursuant to section 24-34-104, C.R.S. 16 NOTIFY EACH CONSUMER FROM WHOM THE AGENCY IS ATTEMPTING TO 17 COLLECT A DEBT OF THE ADDRESS OF THE LOCAL OFFICE REQUIRED BY THIS 18 SUBPARAGRAPH (I). 19 **SECTION 2. Specified effective date.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2010. 20 21 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, 22 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate

23 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.