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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE RELOCATION OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO  
102 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.

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Bill Summary

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The bill relocates provisions in statute relating to behavioral health disorders.

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

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1 (e) To provide appropriate information to family members  
2 concerning the location and fact of admission of a person with a mental  
3 illness to inpatient or residential care and treatment;

4 (f) To encourage the appropriate participation of family members  
5 in the care and treatment of a person with a mental illness and, when  
6 appropriate, to provide information to family members in order to  
7 facilitate such participation; and

8 (g) To facilitate the recovery and resiliency of each person who  
9 receives care and treatment under this article.

10 (2) To carry out these purposes, subject to available  
11 appropriations, the provisions of this article shall be liberally construed.

12 **27-65-102. [Formerly 27-10-102] Definitions.** As used in this  
13 article, unless the context otherwise requires:

14 (1) "Acute treatment unit" means a facility or a distinct part of a  
15 facility for short-term psychiatric care, which may include substance  
16 abuse treatment, that provides a total, twenty-four-hour, therapeutically  
17 planned and professionally staffed environment for persons who do not  
18 require inpatient hospitalization but need more intense and individual  
19 services than are available on an outpatient basis, such as crisis  
20 management and stabilization services.

21 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) "Certified peace officer" means any certified peace  
22 officer as described in section 16-2.5-102, C.R.S.

23 ~~(2)~~ (3) "Court" means any district court of the state of Colorado  
24 and the probate court in the city and county of Denver.

25 ~~(2.3)~~ (4) "Court-ordered evaluation" means an evaluation ordered  
26 by a court pursuant to ~~section 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-106.

27 ~~(3)~~ (5) "Department" means the department of human services.

1           ~~(4)~~ (6) "Executive director" means the executive director of the  
2 department of human services.

3           ~~(4.5)~~ (7) "Facility" means a public hospital or a licensed private  
4 hospital, clinic, community mental health center or clinic, acute treatment  
5 unit, institution, sanitarium, or residential child care facility that provides  
6 treatment for a person with a mental illness.

7           ~~(4.7)~~ (8) "Family member" means a spouse, parent, adult child, or  
8 adult sibling of a person with a mental illness.

9           ~~(5)~~ (9) (a) "Gravely disabled" means a condition in which a  
10 person, as a result of a mental illness:

11           (I) Is in danger of serious physical harm due to his or her inability  
12 or failure to provide himself or herself with the essential human needs of  
13 food, clothing, shelter, and medical care; or

14           (II) Lacks judgment in the management of his or her resources and  
15 in the conduct of his or her social relations to the extent that his or her  
16 health or safety is significantly endangered and lacks the capacity to  
17 understand that this is so.

18           (b) A person who, because of care provided by a family member  
19 or by an individual with a similar relationship to the person, is not in  
20 danger of serious physical harm or is not significantly endangered in  
21 accordance with paragraph (a) of this subsection ~~(5)~~ SUBSECTION (9) may  
22 be deemed "gravely disabled" if there is notice given that the support  
23 given by the family member or other individual who has a similar  
24 relationship to the person is to be terminated and the individual with a  
25 mental illness:

26           (I) Is diagnosed by a professional person as suffering from:  
27 Schizophrenia; a major affective disorder; a delusional disorder; or

1 another mental disorder with psychotic features; and  
2 (II) Has been certified, pursuant to this article, for treatment of the  
3 disorder or has been admitted as an inpatient to a treatment facility for  
4 treatment of the disorder at least twice during the last thirty-six months  
5 with a period of at least thirty days between certifications or admissions;  
6 and

7 (III) Is exhibiting a deteriorating course leading toward danger to  
8 self or others or toward the conditions described in paragraph (a) of this  
9 ~~subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION (9) with symptoms and behavior that are  
10 substantially similar to those that preceded and were associated with his  
11 or her hospital admissions or certifications for treatment; and

12 (IV) Is not receiving treatment that is essential for his or her  
13 health or safety.

14 (c) A person of any age may be "gravely disabled", but such term  
15 shall not include a person who has a developmental disability by reason  
16 of the person's developmental disability alone.

17 (d) For purposes of paragraph (b) of this ~~subsection (5)~~  
18 SUBSECTION (9), an individual with a relationship to a person that is  
19 similar to that of a family member shall not include an employee or agent  
20 of a boarding home or treatment facility.

21 ~~(5.5)~~(10) "Hospitalization" means twenty-four-hour out-of-home  
22 placement for mental health treatment in a facility.

23 ~~(5.6)~~(11) "Independent professional person" means a professional  
24 person, as defined in ~~subsection (11)~~ SUBSECTION (17) of this section,  
25 who evaluates ~~the~~ A minor's condition as an independent decision-maker  
26 and whose recommendations are based on the standard of what is in the  
27 best interest of the minor. The professional person may be associated

1 with the admitting mental health facility if he or she is free to  
2 independently evaluate the minor's condition and need for treatment and  
3 has the authority to refuse admission to any minor who does not satisfy  
4 the statutory standards specified in ~~section 27-10-103 (3.1)~~ SECTION  
5 27-65-103 (3).

6 ~~(6) Repealed.~~

7 ~~(7) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2006, p. 1372, § 2, effective~~  
8 ~~August 7, 2006.)~~

9 ~~(7.2)~~ (12) "Minor" means a person under eighteen years of age;  
10 except that the term does not include a person who is fifteen years of age  
11 or older who is living separately and apart from his or her parent or legal  
12 guardian and is managing his or her financial affairs, regardless of his or  
13 her source of income, or who is married and living separately and apart  
14 from his or her parent or legal guardian.

15 ~~(7.5)~~ (13) "Patient representative" means a person designated by  
16 ~~the~~ A mental health facility to process patient complaints or grievances or  
17 to represent patients who are minors pursuant to ~~section 27-10-103 (3.3)~~  
18 SECTION 27-65-103 (5).

19 ~~(8) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2006, p. 1372, § 2, effective~~  
20 ~~August 7, 2006.)~~

21 ~~(8.5)~~ (14) "Person with a mental illness" means a person with one  
22 or more substantial disorders of the cognitive, volitional, or emotional  
23 processes that grossly impairs judgment or capacity to recognize reality  
24 or to control behavior. Developmental disability is insufficient to either  
25 justify or exclude a finding of mental illness within the provisions of this  
26 article.

27 ~~(9)~~ (15) "Petitioner" means any person who files any petition in

1 any proceeding in the interest of any person who allegedly has a mental  
2 illness or is allegedly gravely disabled.

3 ~~(10)~~ (16) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice  
4 medicine in this state.

5 ~~(11)~~ (17) "Professional person" means a person licensed to  
6 practice medicine in this state or a psychologist certified to practice in this  
7 state.

8 ~~(11.5)~~ (18) "Residential child care facility" means a facility  
9 licensed by the state department of human services pursuant to article 6  
10 of title 26, C.R.S., to provide group care and treatment for children as  
11 such facility is defined in section 26-6-102 (8), C.R.S. A residential child  
12 care facility may be eligible for designation by the executive director of  
13 the department of human services pursuant to this article.

14 ~~(12)~~ (19) "Respondent" means either a person alleged in a petition  
15 filed pursuant to this article to have a mental illness or be gravely disabled  
16 or a person certified pursuant to the provisions of this article.

17 ~~(13)~~ (20) "Screening" means a review of all petitions, to consist  
18 of an interview with the petitioner and, whenever possible, the  
19 respondent, an assessment of the problem, an explanation of the petition  
20 to the respondent, and a determination of whether the respondent needs  
21 and, if so, will accept, on a voluntary basis, comprehensive evaluation,  
22 treatment, referral, and other appropriate services, either on an inpatient  
23 or an outpatient basis.

24 **27-65-103. [Formerly 27-10-103] Voluntary applications for**  
25 **mental health services.** (1) Nothing in this article shall be construed in  
26 any way as limiting the right of any person to make voluntary application  
27 at any time to any public or private agency or professional person for

1 mental health services, either by direct application in person or by referral  
2 from any other public or private agency or professional person. Subject  
3 to section 15-14-316 (4), C.R.S., a ward, as defined in section 15-14-102  
4 (15), C.R.S., may be admitted to hospital or institutional care and  
5 treatment for mental illness by consent of the guardian for so long as the  
6 ward agrees to such care and treatment. Within ten days of any such  
7 admission of the ward for such hospital or institutional care and  
8 treatment, the guardian shall notify in writing the court ~~which~~ THAT  
9 appointed the guardian of the admission.

10 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a minor who is  
11 fifteen years of age or older, whether with or without the consent of a  
12 parent or legal guardian, may consent to receive mental health services to  
13 be rendered by a facility or a professional person. Such consent shall not  
14 be subject to disaffirmance because of minority. The professional person  
15 rendering mental health services to a minor may, with or without the  
16 consent of the minor, advise the parent or legal guardian of the minor of  
17 the services given or needed.

18 ~~(3) Repealed.~~

19 ~~(3.1)~~ (3) A minor who is fifteen years of age or older or a parent  
20 or legal guardian of a minor on the minor's behalf may make voluntary  
21 application for hospitalization. Application for hospitalization on behalf  
22 of a minor who is under fifteen years of age and who is a ward of the  
23 department of human services shall not be made unless a guardian ad  
24 litem has been appointed for the minor or a petition for the same has been  
25 filed with the court by the agency having custody of the minor; except  
26 that such an application for hospitalization may be made under emergency  
27 circumstances requiring immediate hospitalization, in which case the



1 agency shall file a petition for appointment of a guardian ad litem within  
2 seventy-two hours after application for admission is made, and the court  
3 shall appoint a guardian ad litem forthwith. Procedures for  
4 hospitalization of such minor may proceed pursuant to this section once  
5 a petition for appointment of a guardian ad litem has been filed, if  
6 necessary. Whenever such application for hospitalization is made, an  
7 independent professional person shall interview the minor and conduct a  
8 careful investigation into the minor's background, using all available  
9 sources, including, but not limited to, the parents or legal guardian and  
10 the school and any other social agencies. Prior to admitting a minor for  
11 hospitalization, the independent professional person shall make the  
12 following findings:

13 (a) That the minor has a mental illness and is in need of  
14 hospitalization;

15 (b) That a less restrictive treatment alternative is inappropriate or  
16 unavailable; and

17 (c) That hospitalization is likely to be beneficial.

18 ~~(3.2)~~ (4) An interview and investigation by an independent  
19 professional person shall not be required for a minor who is fifteen years  
20 of age or older and who, upon the recommendation of his or her treating  
21 professional person, seeks voluntary hospitalization with the consent of  
22 his or her parent or legal guardian. In order to assure that the minor's  
23 consent to such hospitalization is voluntary, the minor shall be advised,  
24 at or before the time of admission, of his or her right to refuse to sign the  
25 admission consent form and his or her right to revoke his or her consent  
26 at a later date. If a minor admitted pursuant to this ~~subsection (3.2)~~  
27 SUBSECTION (4) subsequently revokes his or her consent after admission,

1 a review of his or her need for hospitalization pursuant to ~~subsection (3.3)~~  
2 SUBSECTION (5) of this section shall be initiated immediately.

3 ~~(3.3)~~ (5) (a) The need for continuing hospitalization of all  
4 voluntary patients who are minors shall be formally reviewed at least  
5 every two months. Review pursuant to this ~~subsection (3.3)~~ SUBSECTION  
6 (5) shall fulfill the requirement specified in section 19-1-115 (8), C.R.S.,  
7 when the minor is fifteen years of age or older and consenting to  
8 hospitalization.

9 (b) The review shall be conducted by an independent professional  
10 person who is not a member of the minor's treating team; or, if the minor,  
11 his or her physician, and the minor's parent or guardian do not object to  
12 the need for continued hospitalization, the review required pursuant to  
13 this ~~subsection (3.3)~~ SUBSECTION (5) may be conducted internally by the  
14 hospital staff.

15 (c) The independent professional person shall determine whether  
16 the minor continues to meet the criteria specified in ~~subsection (3.1)~~  
17 SUBSECTION (3) of this section and whether continued hospitalization is  
18 appropriate and shall at least conduct an investigation pursuant to  
19 ~~subsection (3.1)~~ SUBSECTION (3) of this section.

20 (d) Ten days prior to the review, the patient representative at the  
21 mental health facility shall notify the minor of the date of the review and  
22 shall assist the minor in articulating to the independent professional  
23 person his or her wishes concerning continued hospitalization.

24 (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit a minor's  
25 right to seek release from the facility pursuant to any other provisions  
26 under the law.

27 ~~(3.4)~~ (6) Every six months the review required pursuant to

1 ~~subsection (3.3)~~ SUBSECTION (5) of this section shall be conducted by an  
2 independent professional person who is not a member of the minor's  
3 treating team and who has not previously reviewed the child pursuant to  
4 ~~subsection (3.3)~~ SUBSECTION (5) of this section.

5 ~~(3.5)~~ (7) (a) When a minor does not consent to or objects to  
6 continued hospitalization, the need for such continued hospitalization  
7 shall, within ten days, be reviewed pursuant to ~~subsection (3.3)~~  
8 SUBSECTION (5) of this section by an independent professional person  
9 who is not a member of the minor's treating team and who has not  
10 previously reviewed the child pursuant to this ~~subsection (3.5)~~  
11 SUBSECTION (7). The minor shall be informed of the results of such  
12 review within three days of completion of such review. If the conclusion  
13 reached by such professional person is that the minor no longer meets the  
14 standards for hospitalization specified in ~~subsection (3.1)~~ SUBSECTION (3)  
15 of this section, the minor shall be discharged.

16 (b) If, twenty-four hours after being informed of the results of the  
17 review specified in paragraph (a) of this ~~subsection (3.5)~~ SUBSECTION (7),  
18 a minor continues to affirm the objection to hospitalization, the minor  
19 shall be advised by the director of the facility or his or her duly appointed  
20 representative that the minor has the right to retain and consult with an  
21 attorney at any time and that the director or his or her duly appointed  
22 representative shall file, within three days after the request of the minor,  
23 a statement requesting an attorney for the minor or, if the minor is under  
24 fifteen years of age, a guardian ad litem. The minor, his or her attorney,  
25 if any, and his or her parent, legal guardian, or guardian ad litem, if any,  
26 shall also be given written notice that a hearing upon the recommendation  
27 for continued hospitalization may be had before the court or a jury upon

1 written request directed to the court pursuant to paragraph (d) of this  
2 ~~subsection (3.5)~~ SUBSECTION (7).

3 (c) Whenever the statement requesting an attorney is filed with the  
4 court, the court shall ascertain whether the minor has retained counsel,  
5 and, if he or she has not, the court shall, within three days, appoint an  
6 attorney to represent the minor, or if the minor is under fifteen years of  
7 age, a guardian ad litem. Upon receipt of a petition filed by the guardian  
8 ad litem, the court shall appoint an attorney to represent the minor under  
9 fifteen years of age.

10 (d) The minor or his or her attorney or guardian ad litem may, at  
11 any time after the minor has continued to affirm his or her objection to  
12 hospitalization pursuant to paragraph (b) of this ~~subsection (3.5)~~  
13 SUBSECTION (7), file a written request that the recommendation for  
14 continued hospitalization be reviewed by the court or that the treatment  
15 be on an outpatient basis. If review is requested, the court shall hear the  
16 matter within ten days after the request, and the court shall give notice to  
17 the minor, his or her attorney, if any, his or her parents or legal guardian,  
18 his or her guardian ad litem, if any, the independent professional person,  
19 and the minor's treating team of the time and place thereof. The hearing  
20 shall be held in accordance with ~~section 27-10-111~~ SECTION 27-65-111;  
21 except that the court or jury shall determine that the minor is in need of  
22 care and treatment if the court or jury makes the following findings: That  
23 the minor has a mental illness and is in need of hospitalization; that a less  
24 restrictive treatment alternative is inappropriate or unavailable; and that  
25 hospitalization is likely to be beneficial. At the conclusion of the hearing,  
26 the court may enter an order confirming the recommendation for  
27 continued hospitalization, discharge the minor, or enter any other

1 appropriate order.

2 (e) For purposes of this ~~subsection (3.5)~~ SUBSECTION (7), "objects  
3 to hospitalization" means that a minor, with the necessary assistance of  
4 hospital staff, has written his or her objections to continued  
5 hospitalization and has been given an opportunity to affirm or disaffirm  
6 such objections forty-eight hours after the objections are first written.

7 (f) A minor may not again object to hospitalization pursuant to  
8 this ~~subsection (3.5)~~ SUBSECTION (7) until ninety days after conclusion of  
9 proceedings pursuant to this ~~subsection (3.5)~~ SUBSECTION (7).

10 (g) In addition to the rights specified under ~~section 27-10-117~~  
11 SECTION 27-65-117 for persons receiving evaluation, care, or treatment,  
12 a written notice specifying the rights of minor children under this section  
13 shall be given to each minor upon admission to hospitalization.

14 ~~(3.6)~~ (8) A minor who no longer meets the standards for  
15 hospitalization specified in ~~subsection (3.1)~~ SUBSECTION (3) of this  
16 section shall be discharged.

17 ~~(4)~~ (9) For the purpose of this article, the treatment by prayer in  
18 the practice of the religion of any church which teaches reliance on  
19 spiritual means alone for healing shall be considered a form of treatment.

20 ~~(5)~~ (10) The medical and legal status of all voluntary patients  
21 receiving treatment for mental illness in inpatient or custodial facilities  
22 shall be reviewed at least once every six months.

23 ~~(6)~~ (11) Voluntary patients shall be afforded all the rights and  
24 privileges customarily granted by hospitals to their patients.

25 ~~(7)~~ (12) If at any time during a seventy-two-hour evaluation of a  
26 person who is confined involuntarily the facility staff requests the person  
27 to sign in voluntarily and he or she elects to do so, the following

1 advisement shall be given orally and in writing and an appropriate  
2 notation shall be made in his or her medical record by the professional  
3 person or his or her designated agent:

4 **NOTICE**

5 The decision to sign in voluntarily should be made  
6 by you alone and should be free from any force or pressure  
7 implied or otherwise. If you do not feel that you are able  
8 to make a truly voluntary decision, you may continue to be  
9 held at the hospital involuntarily. As an involuntary  
10 patient, you will have the right to protest your confinement  
11 and request a hearing before a judge.

12 **27-65-104. [Formerly 27-10-104] Rights of respondents.**

13 Unless specifically stated in an order by the court, a respondent shall not  
14 forfeit any legal right or suffer legal disability by reason of the provisions  
15 of this article.

16 **27-65-105. [Formerly 27-10-105] Emergency procedure.**

17 (1) Emergency procedure may be invoked under either one of the  
18 following two conditions:

19 (a) (I) When any person appears to have a mental illness and, as  
20 a result of such mental illness, appears to be an imminent danger to others  
21 or to himself or herself or appears to be gravely disabled, then a person  
22 specified in subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (a), each of whom is  
23 referred to in this section as the "intervening professional", upon probable  
24 cause and with such assistance as may be required, may take the person  
25 into custody, or cause the person to be taken into custody, and placed in  
26 a facility designated or approved by the executive director for a  
27 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation.

1 (II) The following persons may effect a seventy-two-hour hold as  
2 provided in subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (a):

3 (A) A certified peace officer;

4 (B) A professional person;

5 (C) A registered professional nurse as defined in section  
6 12-38-103 (11), C.R.S., who by reason of postgraduate education and  
7 additional nursing preparation has gained knowledge, judgment, and skill  
8 in psychiatric or mental health nursing;

9 (D) A licensed marriage and family therapist or licensed  
10 professional counselor, licensed under the provisions of part 5 or 6 of  
11 article 43 of title 12, C.R.S., or an addiction counselor licensed pursuant  
12 to section 12-43-804 (3), C.R.S., who by reason of postgraduate  
13 education and additional preparation has gained knowledge, judgment,  
14 and skill in psychiatric or clinical mental health therapy, forensic  
15 psychotherapy, or the evaluation of mental disorders; or

16 (E) A licensed clinical social worker licensed under the provisions  
17 of part 4 of article 43 of title 12, C.R.S.

18 (b) Upon an affidavit sworn to or affirmed before a judge that  
19 relates sufficient facts to establish that a person appears to have a mental  
20 illness and, as a result of the mental illness, appears to be an imminent  
21 danger to others or to himself or herself or appears to be gravely disabled,  
22 the court may order the person described in the affidavit to be taken into  
23 custody and placed in a facility designated or approved by the executive  
24 director for a seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation. Whenever in  
25 this article a facility is to be designated or approved by the executive  
26 director, hospitals, if available, shall be approved or designated in each  
27 county before other facilities are approved or designated. Whenever in

1 this article a facility is to be designated or approved by the executive  
2 director as a facility for a stated purpose and the facility to be designated  
3 or approved is a private facility, the consent of the private facility to the  
4 enforcement of standards set by the executive director shall be a  
5 prerequisite to the designation or approval.

6 ~~(1.1)~~ (2) (a) When a person is taken into custody pursuant to  
7 subsection (1) of this section, such person shall not be detained in a jail,  
8 lockup, or other place used for the confinement of persons charged with  
9 or convicted of penal offenses; except that such place may be used if no  
10 other suitable place of confinement for treatment and evaluation is readily  
11 available. In such situation the person shall be detained separately from  
12 those persons charged with or convicted of penal offenses and shall be  
13 held for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours, excluding Saturdays,  
14 Sundays, and holidays, after which time he or she shall be transferred to  
15 a facility designated or approved by the executive director for a  
16 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation. If the person being detained  
17 is a juvenile, as defined in section 19-1-103 (68), C.R.S., the juvenile  
18 shall be placed in a setting that is nonsecure and physically segregated by  
19 sight and sound from the adult offenders. When a person is taken into  
20 custody and confined pursuant to this ~~subsection (1.1)~~ SUBSECTION (2),  
21 such person shall be examined at least every twelve hours by a certified  
22 peace officer, nurse, or physician or by an appropriate staff professional  
23 of the nearest designated or approved mental health treatment facility to  
24 determine if the person is receiving appropriate care consistent with his  
25 or her mental condition.

26 (b) A sheriff or police chief who violates the provisions of  
27 paragraph (a) of this ~~subsection (1.1)~~ SUBSECTION (2), related to detaining



1 juveniles may be subject to a civil fine of no more than one thousand  
2 dollars. The decision to fine shall be based on prior violations of the  
3 provisions of paragraph (a) of this ~~subsection (1.1)~~ SUBSECTION (2) by the  
4 sheriff or police chief and the willingness of the sheriff or police chief to  
5 address the violations in order to comply with paragraph (a) of this  
6 ~~subsection (1.1)~~ SUBSECTION (2).

7 ~~(2)~~ (3) Such facility shall require an application in writing, stating  
8 the circumstances under which the person's condition was called to the  
9 attention of the intervening professional and further stating sufficient  
10 facts, obtained from the personal observations of the intervening  
11 professional or obtained from others whom he or she reasonably believes  
12 to be reliable, to establish that the person has a mental illness and, as a  
13 result of the mental illness, is an imminent danger to others or to himself  
14 or herself or is gravely disabled. The application shall indicate when the  
15 person was taken into custody and who brought the person's condition to  
16 the attention of the intervening professional. A copy of the application  
17 shall be furnished to the person being evaluated, and the application shall  
18 be retained in accordance with the provisions of ~~section 27-10-120 (3)~~  
19 SECTION 27-65-121 (4).

20 ~~(3)~~ (4) If the seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation facility  
21 admits the person, it may detain him or her for evaluation and treatment  
22 for a period not to exceed seventy-two hours, excluding Saturdays,  
23 Sundays, and holidays if evaluation and treatment services are not  
24 available on those days. For the purposes of this ~~subsection (3)~~  
25 SUBSECTION (4), evaluation and treatment services are not deemed to be  
26 available merely because a professional person is on call during weekends  
27 or holidays. If, in the opinion of the professional person in charge of the

1 evaluation, the person can be properly cared for without being detained,  
2 he or she shall be provided services on a voluntary basis.

3 (4) (5) Each person admitted to a seventy-two-hour treatment and  
4 evaluation facility under the provisions of this article shall receive an  
5 evaluation as soon as possible after he or she is admitted and shall receive  
6 such treatment and care as his or her condition requires for the full period  
7 that he or she is held. The person shall be released before seventy-two  
8 hours have elapsed if, in the opinion of the professional person in charge  
9 of the evaluation, the person no longer requires evaluation or treatment.  
10 Persons who have been detained for seventy-two-hour evaluation and  
11 treatment shall be released, referred for further care and treatment on a  
12 voluntary basis, or certified for treatment pursuant to ~~section 27-10-107~~  
13 SECTION 27-65-107.

14 **27-65-106. [Formerly 27-10-106] Court-ordered evaluation**  
15 **for persons with mental illness.** (1) Any person alleged to have a  
16 mental illness and, as a result of the mental illness, to be a danger to  
17 others or to himself or herself or to be gravely disabled may be given an  
18 evaluation of his or her condition under a court order pursuant to this  
19 section.

20 (2) Any individual may petition the court in the county in which  
21 the respondent resides or is physically present alleging that there is a  
22 person who appears to have a mental illness and, as a result of the mental  
23 illness, appears to be a danger to others or to himself or herself or appears  
24 to be gravely disabled and requesting that an evaluation of the person's  
25 condition be made.

26 (3) The petition for a court-ordered evaluation shall contain the  
27 following:

1 (a) The name and address of the petitioner and his OR HER interest  
2 in the case;

3 (b) The name of the person for whom evaluation is sought, who  
4 shall be designated as the respondent, and, if known to the petitioner, the  
5 address, age, sex, marital status, and occupation of the respondent;

6 (c) Allegations of fact indicating that the respondent may have a  
7 mental illness and, as a result of the mental illness, be a danger to others  
8 or to himself or herself or be gravely disabled and showing reasonable  
9 grounds to warrant an evaluation;

10 (d) The name and address of every person known or believed by  
11 the petitioner to be legally responsible for the care, support, and  
12 maintenance of the respondent, if available;

13 (e) The name, address, and telephone number of the attorney, if  
14 any, who has most recently represented the respondent. If there is no  
15 attorney, there shall be a statement as to whether, to the best knowledge  
16 of the petitioner, the respondent meets the criteria established by the legal  
17 aid agency operating in the county or city and county for it to represent  
18 a client.

19 (4) Upon receipt of a petition satisfying the requirements of  
20 subsection (3) of this section, the court shall designate a facility, approved  
21 by the executive director, or a professional person to provide screening  
22 of the respondent to determine whether there is probable cause to believe  
23 the allegations.

24 (5) Following screening, the facility or professional person  
25 designated by the court shall file his or her report with the court. The  
26 report shall include a recommendation as to whether there is probable  
27 cause to believe that the respondent has a mental illness and, as a result

1 of the mental illness, is a danger to others or to himself or herself or is  
2 gravely disabled and whether the respondent will voluntarily receive  
3 evaluation or treatment. The screening report submitted to the court shall  
4 be confidential in accordance with ~~section 27-10-120~~ SECTION 27-65-121  
5 and shall be furnished to the respondent or his or her attorney or personal  
6 representative.

7 (6) Whenever it appears, by petition and screening pursuant to this  
8 section, to the satisfaction of the court that probable cause exists to  
9 believe that the respondent has a mental illness and, as a result of the  
10 mental illness, is a danger to others or to himself or herself or is gravely  
11 disabled and that efforts have been made to secure the cooperation of the  
12 respondent, who has refused or failed to accept evaluation voluntarily, the  
13 court shall issue an order for evaluation authorizing a certified peace  
14 officer to take the respondent into custody and place him or her in a  
15 facility designated by the executive director for seventy-two-hour  
16 treatment and evaluation. At the time of taking the respondent into  
17 custody, a copy of the petition and the order for evaluation shall be given  
18 to the respondent, and promptly thereafter to any one person designated  
19 by such respondent and to the person in charge of the seventy-two-hour  
20 treatment and evaluation facility named in the order or his or her  
21 designee.

22 (7) The respondent shall be evaluated as promptly as possible and  
23 shall in no event be detained longer than seventy-two hours under the  
24 court order, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays if treatment and  
25 evaluation services are not available on those days. Within that time, the  
26 respondent shall be released, referred for further care and treatment on a  
27 voluntary basis, or certified for short-term treatment.

1 (8) At the time the respondent is taken into custody for evaluation  
2 or within a reasonable time thereafter, unless a responsible relative is in  
3 possession of the respondent's personal property, the certified peace  
4 officer taking him or her into custody shall take reasonable precautions  
5 to preserve and safeguard the personal property in the possession of or on  
6 the premises occupied by the respondent.

7 (9) When a person is involuntarily admitted to a seventy-two-hour  
8 treatment and evaluation facility under the provisions of this section or  
9 ~~section 27-10-105~~ SECTION 27-65-105, the person shall be advised by the  
10 facility director or his or her duly appointed representative that the person  
11 is going to be examined with regard to his or her mental condition.

12 (10) Whenever a person is involuntarily admitted to a  
13 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation facility, he or she shall be  
14 advised by the facility director or his or her duly appointed representative  
15 of his or her right to retain and consult with any attorney at any time and  
16 that, if he or she cannot afford to pay an attorney, upon proof of  
17 indigency, one will be appointed by the court without cost.

18 **27-65-107. [Formerly 27-10-107] Certification for short-term**  
19 **treatment.** (1) If a person detained for seventy-two hours under the  
20 provisions of ~~section 27-10-105~~ SECTION 27-65-105 or a respondent under  
21 court order for evaluation pursuant to ~~section 27-10-106~~ SECTION  
22 27-65-106 has received an evaluation, he or she may be certified for not  
23 more than three months of short-term treatment under the following  
24 conditions:

25 (a) The professional staff of the agency or facility providing  
26 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation has analyzed the person's  
27 condition and has found the person has a mental illness and, as a result of

1 the mental illness, is a danger to others or to himself or herself or is  
2 gravely disabled.

3 (b) The person has been advised of the availability of, but has not  
4 accepted, voluntary treatment; but, if reasonable grounds exist to believe  
5 that the person will not remain in a voluntary treatment program, his or  
6 her acceptance of voluntary treatment shall not preclude certification.

7 (c) The facility which will provide short-term treatment has been  
8 designated or approved by the executive director to provide such  
9 treatment.

10 (2) The notice of certification must be signed by a professional  
11 person on the staff of the evaluation facility who participated in the  
12 evaluation and shall state facts sufficient to establish reasonable grounds  
13 to believe that the person has a mental illness and, as a result of the  
14 mental illness, is a danger to others or to himself or herself or is gravely  
15 disabled. The certification shall be filed with the court within forty-eight  
16 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and court holidays, of the date of  
17 certification. The certification shall be filed with the court in the county  
18 in which the respondent resided or was physically present immediately  
19 prior to his or her being taken into custody.

20 (3) Within twenty-four hours of certification, copies of the  
21 certification shall be personally delivered to the respondent, and a copy  
22 shall be kept by the evaluation facility as part of the person's record. The  
23 respondent shall also be asked to designate one other person whom he or  
24 she wishes informed regarding certification. If he or she is incapable of  
25 making such a designation at the time the certification is delivered, he or  
26 she shall be asked to designate such person as soon as he or she is  
27 capable. In addition to the copy of the certification, the respondent shall

1 be given a written notice that a hearing upon his or her certification for  
2 short-term treatment may be had before the court or a jury upon written  
3 request directed to the court pursuant to subsection (6) of this section.

4 (4) Upon certification of the respondent, the facility designated for  
5 short-term treatment shall have custody of the respondent.

6 (5) Whenever a certification is filed with the court, the court, if it  
7 has not already done so under ~~section 27-10-106 (10)~~ SECTION 27-65-106  
8 (10), shall forthwith appoint an attorney to represent the respondent. The  
9 court shall determine whether the respondent is able to afford an attorney.  
10 If the respondent cannot afford counsel, the court shall appoint either  
11 counsel from the legal services program operating in that jurisdiction or  
12 private counsel to represent the respondent. The attorney representing the  
13 respondent shall be provided with a copy of the certification immediately  
14 upon his or her appointment. Waiver of counsel must be knowingly and  
15 intelligently made in writing and filed with the court by the respondent.  
16 In the event that a respondent who is able to afford an attorney fails to pay  
17 the appointed counsel, such counsel, upon application to the court and  
18 after appropriate notice and hearing, may obtain a judgment for  
19 reasonable attorney fees against the respondent or person making request  
20 for such counsel or both the respondent and such person.

21 (6) The respondent for short-term treatment or his or her attorney  
22 may at any time file a written request that the certification for short-term  
23 treatment or the treatment be reviewed by the court or that the treatment  
24 be on an outpatient basis. If review is requested, the court shall hear the  
25 matter within ten days after the request, and the court shall give notice to  
26 the respondent and his or her attorney and the certifying and treating  
27 professional person of the time and place thereof. The hearing shall be

1 held in accordance with ~~section 27-10-111~~ SECTION 27-65-111. At the  
2 conclusion of the hearing, the court may enter or confirm the certification  
3 for short-term treatment, discharge the respondent, or enter any other  
4 appropriate order, subject to available appropriations.

5 (7) Records and papers in proceedings under this section and  
6 ~~section 27-10-108~~ SECTION 27-65-108 shall be maintained separately by  
7 the clerks of the several courts. Upon the release of any respondent in  
8 accordance with the provisions of ~~section 27-10-110~~ SECTION 27-65-110,  
9 the facility shall notify the clerk of the court within five days of the  
10 release, and the clerk shall forthwith seal the record in the case and omit  
11 the name of the respondent from the index of cases in such court until and  
12 unless the respondent becomes subject to an order of long-term care and  
13 treatment pursuant to ~~section 27-10-109~~ SECTION 27-65-109 or until and  
14 unless the court orders them opened for good cause shown. In the event  
15 a petition is filed pursuant to ~~section 27-10-109~~ SECTION 27-65-109, such  
16 certification record may be opened and become a part of the record in the  
17 long-term care and treatment case and the name of the respondent  
18 indexed.

19 (8) Whenever it appears to the court, by reason of a report by the  
20 treating professional person or any other report satisfactory to the court,  
21 that a respondent detained for evaluation and treatment or certified for  
22 treatment should be transferred to another facility for treatment and the  
23 safety of the respondent or the public requires that the respondent be  
24 transported by a sheriff, the court may issue an order directing the sheriff  
25 or his or her designee to deliver the respondent to the designated facility.

26 **27-65-108. [Formerly 27-10-108] Extension of short-term**  
27 **treatment.** If the professional person in charge of the evaluation and



1 treatment believes that a period longer than three months is necessary for  
2 treatment of the respondent, he OR SHE shall file with the court an  
3 extended certification. No extended certification for treatment shall be  
4 for a period of more than three months. The respondent shall be entitled  
5 to a hearing on the extended certification under the same conditions as in  
6 an original certification. The attorney initially representing the  
7 respondent shall continue to represent that person, unless the court  
8 appoints another attorney.

9 **27-65-109. [Formerly 27-10-109] Long-term care and**  
10 **treatment of persons with mental illness.** (1) Whenever a respondent  
11 has received short-term treatment for five consecutive months under the  
12 provisions of ~~sections 27-10-107 and 27-10-108~~ SECTIONS 27-65-107 AND  
13 27-65-108, the professional person in charge of the evaluation and  
14 treatment may file a petition with the court for long-term care and  
15 treatment of the respondent under the following conditions:

16 (a) The professional staff of the agency or facility providing  
17 short-term treatment has analyzed the respondent's condition and has  
18 found that the respondent has a mental illness and, as a result of the  
19 mental illness, is a danger to others or to himself or herself or is gravely  
20 disabled.

21 (b) The respondent has been advised of the availability of, but has  
22 not accepted, voluntary treatment; but, if reasonable grounds exist to  
23 believe that the respondent will not remain in a voluntary treatment  
24 program, his or her acceptance of voluntary treatment shall not preclude  
25 an order pursuant to this section.

26 (c) The facility that will provide long-term care and treatment has  
27 been designated or approved by the executive director to provide the care

1 and treatment.

2 (2) Every petition for long-term care and treatment shall include  
3 a request for a hearing before the court prior to the expiration of six  
4 months from the date of original certification. A copy of the petition shall  
5 be delivered personally to the respondent for whom long-term care and  
6 treatment is sought and mailed to his or her attorney of record  
7 simultaneously with the filing thereof.

8 (3) Within ten days after receipt of the petition, the respondent or  
9 his or her attorney may request a jury trial by filing a written request  
10 therefor with the court.

11 (4) The court or jury shall determine whether the conditions of  
12 subsection (1) of this section are met and whether the respondent has a  
13 mental illness and, as a result of the mental illness, is a danger to others  
14 or to himself or herself or is gravely disabled. The court shall thereupon  
15 issue an order of long-term care and treatment for a term not to exceed six  
16 months, or it shall discharge the respondent for whom long-term care and  
17 treatment was sought, or it shall enter any other appropriate order, subject  
18 to available appropriations. An order for long-term care and treatment  
19 shall grant custody of the respondent to the department for placement  
20 with an agency or facility designated by the executive director to provide  
21 long-term care and treatment. When a petition contains a request that a  
22 specific legal disability be imposed or that a specific legal right be  
23 deprived, the court may order the disability imposed or the right deprived  
24 if it or a jury has determined that the respondent has a mental illness or is  
25 gravely disabled and that, by reason thereof, the person is unable to  
26 competently exercise said right or perform the function as to which the  
27 disability is sought to be imposed. Any interested person may ask leave

1 of the court to intervene as a copetitioner for the purpose of seeking the  
2 imposition of a legal disability or the deprivation of a legal right.

3 (5) An original order of long-term care and treatment or any  
4 extension of such order shall expire upon the date specified therein,  
5 unless further extended as provided in this subsection (5). If an extension  
6 is being sought, the professional person in charge of the evaluation and  
7 treatment shall certify to the court at least thirty days prior to the  
8 expiration date of the order in force that an extension of the order is  
9 necessary for the care and treatment of the respondent subject to the order  
10 in force, and a copy of the certification shall be delivered to the  
11 respondent and simultaneously mailed to his or her attorney of record. At  
12 least twenty days before the expiration of the order, the court shall give  
13 written notice to the respondent and his or her attorney of record that a  
14 hearing upon the extension may be had before the court or a jury upon  
15 written request to the court within ten days after receipt of the notice. If  
16 no hearing is requested by the respondent within such time, the court may  
17 proceed ex parte. If a hearing is timely requested, it shall be held before  
18 the expiration date of the order in force. If the court or jury finds that the  
19 conditions of subsection (1) of this section continue to be met and that the  
20 respondent has a mental illness and, as a result of the mental illness, is a  
21 danger to others or to himself or herself or is gravely disabled, the court  
22 shall issue an extension of the order. Any extension shall be for a period  
23 of not more than six months, but there may be as many extensions as the  
24 court orders pursuant to this section.

25 **27-65-110. [Formerly 27-10-110] Termination of short-term**  
26 **and long-term treatment - escape.** (1) An original certification for  
27 short-term treatment under ~~section 27-10-107~~ SECTION 27-65-107, or an

1 extended certification under ~~section 27-10-108~~ SECTION 27-65-108, or an  
2 order for long-term care and treatment or any extension thereof shall  
3 terminate as soon as, in the opinion of the professional person in charge  
4 of treatment of the respondent, the respondent has received sufficient  
5 benefit from such treatment for him OR HER to leave. Whenever a  
6 certification or extended certification is terminated under this section, the  
7 professional person in charge of providing treatment shall so notify the  
8 court in writing within five days of such termination. Such professional  
9 person may also prescribe day care, night care, or any other similar mode  
10 of treatment prior to termination.

11 (2) Before termination, an escaped respondent may be returned to  
12 the facility by order of the court without a hearing or by the  
13 superintendent or director of such facility without order of court. After  
14 termination, a respondent may be returned to the institution only in  
15 accordance with the provisions of this article.

16 **27-65-111. [Formerly 27-10-111] Hearing procedures -**  
17 **jurisdiction.** (1) Hearings before the court under ~~section 27-10-107,~~  
18 ~~27-10-108, or 27-10-109~~ SECTION 27-65-107, 27-65-108, OR 27-65-109  
19 shall be conducted in the same manner as other civil proceedings before  
20 the court. The burden of proof shall be upon the person or facility  
21 seeking to detain the respondent. The court or jury shall determine that  
22 the respondent is in need of care and treatment only if the court or jury  
23 finds by clear and convincing evidence that the person has a mental  
24 illness and, as a result of the mental illness, is a danger to others or to  
25 himself or herself or is gravely disabled.

26 (2) The court, after consultation with respondent's counsel to  
27 obtain counsel's recommendations, may appoint a professional person to

1 examine the respondent for whom short-term treatment or long-term care  
2 and treatment is sought and to testify at the hearing before the court as to  
3 the results of his or her examination. The court-appointed professional  
4 person shall act solely in an advisory capacity, and no presumption shall  
5 attach to his or her findings.

6 (3) Every respondent subject to an order for short-term treatment  
7 or long-term care and treatment shall be advised of his or her right to  
8 appeal the order by the court at the conclusion of any hearing as a result  
9 of which such an order may be entered.

10 (4) The court in which the petition is filed under ~~section~~  
11 ~~27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-106 or the certification is filed under ~~section~~  
12 ~~27-10-107~~ SECTION 27-65-107 shall be the court of original jurisdiction  
13 and of continuing jurisdiction for any further proceedings under this  
14 article. When the convenience of the parties and the ends of justice  
15 would be promoted by a change in the court having jurisdiction, the court  
16 may order a transfer of the proceeding to another county. Until further  
17 order of the transferee court, if any, it shall be the court of continuing  
18 jurisdiction.

19 ~~(4.5)~~ (5) (a) In the event that a respondent or a person found not  
20 guilty by reason of impaired mental condition pursuant to section  
21 16-8-103.5 (5), C.R.S., or by reason of insanity pursuant to section  
22 16-8-105 (4) or 16-8-105.5, C.R.S., refuses to accept medication, the  
23 court having jurisdiction of the action pursuant to subsection (4) of this  
24 section, the court committing the person or defendant to the custody of  
25 the department of ~~human services~~ pursuant to section 16-8-103.5 (5),  
26 16-8-105 (4), or 16-8-105.5, C.R.S., or the court of the jurisdiction in  
27 which the designated facility treating the respondent or person is located

1 shall have jurisdiction and venue to accept a petition by a treating  
2 physician and to enter an order requiring that the respondent or person  
3 accept such treatment or, in the alternative, that the medication be forcibly  
4 administered to him or her. The court of the jurisdiction in which the  
5 designated facility is located shall not exercise its jurisdiction without the  
6 permission of the court that committed the person to the custody of the  
7 department. ~~of human services~~ Upon the filing of such a petition, the  
8 court shall appoint an attorney, if one has not been appointed, to represent  
9 the respondent or person and hear the matter within ten days.

10 (b) In any case brought under paragraph (a) of this ~~subsection~~  
11 ~~(4.5)~~ SUBSECTION (5) in a court for the county in which the treating  
12 facility is located, the county where the proceeding was initiated pursuant  
13 to subsection (4) of this section or the court committing the person to the  
14 custody of the department ~~of human services~~ pursuant to section  
15 16-8-103.5 (5), 16-8-105 (4), or 16-8-105.5, C.R.S., shall either reimburse  
16 the county in which the proceeding pursuant to this ~~subsection (4.5)~~  
17 SUBSECTION (5) was filed and in which the proceeding was held for the  
18 reasonable costs incurred in conducting the proceeding or conduct the  
19 proceeding itself using its own personnel and resources, including its own  
20 district or county attorney, as the case may be.

21 (c) In the case of a defendant who is found incompetent to  
22 proceed pursuant to section 16-8.5-103, C.R.S., and who refuses to accept  
23 medication, the jurisdiction for the petition for involuntary treatment  
24 procedures shall be as set forth in section 16-8.5-112, C.R.S.

25 ~~(5)~~ (6) All proceedings under this article, including proceedings  
26 to impose a legal disability pursuant to ~~section 27-10-125~~ SECTION  
27 27-65-127, shall be conducted by the district attorney of the county where

1 the proceeding is held or by a qualified attorney acting for the district  
2 attorney appointed by the district court for that purpose; except that, in  
3 any county or in any city and county having a population exceeding fifty  
4 thousand persons, the proceedings shall be conducted by the county  
5 attorney or by a qualified attorney acting for the county attorney  
6 appointed by the district court. In any case in which there has been a  
7 change of venue to a county other than the county of residence of the  
8 respondent or the county in which the certification proceeding was  
9 commenced, the county from which the proceeding was transferred shall  
10 either reimburse the county to which the proceeding was transferred and  
11 in which the proceeding was held for the reasonable costs incurred in  
12 conducting the proceeding or conduct the proceeding itself using its own  
13 personnel and resources, including its own district or county attorney, as  
14 the case may be. Upon request of a guardian appointed pursuant to article  
15 14 of title 15, C.R.S., the guardian may intervene in any proceeding under  
16 this article concerning his OR HER ward and, through counsel, may present  
17 evidence and represent to the court the views of the guardian concerning  
18 the appropriate disposition of the case.

19 **27-65-112. [Formerly 27-10-112] Appeals.** Appellate review  
20 of any order of short-term treatment or long-term care and treatment may  
21 be had as provided in the Colorado appellate rules. Such appeal shall be  
22 advanced upon the calendar of the appellate court and shall be decided at  
23 the earliest practicable time. Pending disposition by the appellate court,  
24 it may make such order as it may consider proper in the premises relating  
25 to the care and custody of the respondent.

26 **27-65-113. [Formerly 27-10-113] Habeas corpus.** Any person  
27 detained pursuant to this article shall be entitled to an order in the nature

1 of habeas corpus upon proper petition to any court generally empowered  
2 to issue orders in the nature of habeas corpus.

3 **27-65-114. [Formerly 27-10-114] Restoration of rights.** Any  
4 person who, by reason of a judicial decree entered by a court of this state  
5 prior to July 1, 1975, is adjudicated as a person with a mental illness shall  
6 be deemed to have been restored to legal capacity and competency.

7 **27-65-115. [Formerly 27-10-115] Discrimination.** No person  
8 who has received evaluation or treatment under any provisions of this  
9 article shall be discriminated against because of such status. For purposes  
10 of this section, "discrimination" means giving any undue weight to the  
11 fact of hospitalization or outpatient care and treatment unrelated to a  
12 person's present capacity to meet standards applicable to all persons. Any  
13 person who suffers injury by reason of a violation of this section shall  
14 have a civil cause of action.

15 **27-65-116. [Formerly 27-10-116] Right to treatment.**  
16 (1) (a) Any person receiving evaluation or treatment under any of the  
17 provisions of this article is entitled to medical and psychiatric care and  
18 treatment, with regard to services listed in ~~section 27-1-201 (1) (a) to (1)~~  
19 ~~(e)~~ SECTION 27-66-101 and services listed in rules ~~and regulations~~  
20 authorized by ~~section 27-1-202~~ SECTION 27-66-102, suited to meet his or  
21 her individual needs, delivered in such a way as to keep him or her in the  
22 least restrictive environment, and delivered in such a way as to include  
23 the opportunity for participation of family members in his or her program  
24 of care and treatment when appropriate, all subject to available  
25 appropriations. Nothing in this paragraph (a) shall create any right with  
26 respect to any person other than the person receiving evaluation, care, or  
27 treatment. The professional person and the agency or facility providing



1 evaluation, care, or treatment shall keep records detailing all care and  
2 treatment received by such person, and such records shall be made  
3 available, upon that person's written authorization, to his or her attorney  
4 or his or her personal physician. Such records shall be permanent records  
5 and retained in accordance with the provisions of ~~section 27-10-120 (3)~~  
6 SECTION 27-65-121 (4).

7 (b) Any person receiving evaluation or treatment under any of the  
8 provisions of this article is entitled to petition the court pursuant to the  
9 provisions of section 13-45-102, C.R.S., subject to available  
10 appropriations, for release to a less restrictive setting within or without a  
11 treating facility or release from a treating facility when adequate medical  
12 and psychiatric care and treatment is not administered.

13 (2) The department shall adopt regulations to assure that each  
14 agency or facility providing evaluation, care, or treatment shall require the  
15 following:

16 (a) Consent for specific therapies and major medical treatment in  
17 the nature of surgery. The nature of the consent, by whom it is given, and  
18 under what conditions, shall be determined by ~~regulations~~ RULES of the  
19 department.

20 (b) The order of a physician for any treatment or specific therapy  
21 based on appropriate medical examinations;

22 (c) Notation in the patient's treatment record of periodic  
23 examinations, evaluations, orders for treatment, and specific therapies  
24 signed by personnel involved;

25 (d) Conduct according to the guidelines contained in the  
26 regulations of the federal government and the department with regard to  
27 clinical investigations, research, experimentation, and testing of any kind;

1 and

2 (e) Documentation of the findings, conclusions, and decisions in  
3 any administrative review of a decision to release or withhold the  
4 information requested by a family member pursuant to ~~section 27-10-120~~  
5 ~~(1)(g) or (1)(h)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (g) OR (1) (h) and documentation  
6 of any information given to a family member.

7 **27-65-117. [Formerly 27-10-117] Rights of persons receiving**  
8 **evaluation, care, or treatment.** (1) Each person receiving evaluation,  
9 care, or treatment under any provision of this article has the following  
10 rights and shall be advised of such rights by the facility:

11 (a) To receive and send sealed correspondence. No incoming or  
12 outgoing correspondence shall be opened, delayed, held, or censored by  
13 the personnel of the facility.

14 (b) To have access to letter-writing materials, including postage,  
15 and to have staff members of the facility assist him OR HER if unable to  
16 write, prepare, and mail correspondence;

17 (c) To have ready access to telephones, both to make and to  
18 receive calls in privacy;

19 (d) To have frequent and convenient opportunities to meet with  
20 visitors. Each person may see his OR HER attorney, clergyman, or  
21 physician at any time.

22 (e) To wear his OR HER own clothes, keep and use his OR HER own  
23 personal possessions, and keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum  
24 of his OR HER own money.

25 (2) A person's rights under subsection (1) of this section may be  
26 denied for good cause only by the professional person providing  
27 treatment. Denial of any right shall in all cases be entered into the

1 person's treatment record. Information pertaining to a denial of rights  
2 contained in the person's treatment record shall be made available, upon  
3 request, to the person or his OR HER attorney.

4 (3) No person admitted to or in a facility shall be fingerprinted  
5 unless required by other provisions of law.

6 (4) A person may be photographed upon admission for  
7 identification and the administrative purposes of the facility. ~~Such~~ THE  
8 photographs shall be confidential and shall not be released by the facility  
9 except pursuant to court order. No other nonmedical photographs shall  
10 be taken or used without appropriate consent or authorization.

11 (5) Any person receiving evaluation or treatment under any of the  
12 provisions of this article is entitled to a written copy of all his OR HER  
13 rights enumerated in this section, and a minor child shall receive written  
14 notice of his OR HER rights as provided in ~~section 27-10-103 (3.5) (g)~~  
15 SECTION 27-65-103 (7) (g). A list of such rights shall be prominently  
16 posted in all evaluation and treatment facilities.

17 **27-65-118. [Formerly 27-10-117.5] Administration or**  
18 **monitoring of medications to persons receiving care.** The executive  
19 director has the power to direct the administration or monitoring of  
20 medications in conformity with part 3 of article 1.5 of title 25, C.R.S., to  
21 persons receiving treatment in facilities created pursuant to this article.

22 **27-65-119. [Formerly 27-10-118] Employment of persons in**  
23 **a facility.** The department shall adopt ~~regulations~~ RULES governing the  
24 employment and compensation therefor of persons receiving care or  
25 treatment under any provision of this article. The department shall  
26 establish standards for reasonable compensation for such employment.

27 **27-65-120. [Formerly 27-10-119] Voting in public elections.**

1 Any person receiving evaluation, care, or treatment under any provision  
2 of this article shall be given the opportunity to exercise his or her right to  
3 register and to vote in primary and general elections. The agency or  
4 facility providing evaluation, care, or treatment shall assist such persons,  
5 upon their request, to obtain voter registration forms, applications for  
6 mail-in ballots, and mail-in ballots and to comply with any other  
7 prerequisite for voting.

8 **27-65-121. [Formerly 27-10-120] Records.** (1) Except as  
9 provided in subsection (2) of this section, all information obtained and  
10 records prepared in the course of providing any services under this article  
11 to individuals under any provision of this article shall be confidential and  
12 privileged matter. The information and records may be disclosed only:

13 (a) In communications between qualified professional personnel  
14 in the provision of services or appropriate referrals;

15 (b) When the recipient of services designates persons to whom  
16 information or records may be released; but, if a recipient of services is  
17 a ward or conservatee and his or her guardian or conservator designates,  
18 in writing, persons to whom records or information may be disclosed, the  
19 designation shall be valid in lieu of the designation by the recipient;  
20 except that nothing in this section shall be construed to compel a  
21 physician, psychologist, social worker, nurse, attorney, or other  
22 professional personnel to reveal information that has been given to him  
23 or her in confidence by members of a patient's family or other informants;

24 (c) To the extent necessary to make claims on behalf of a recipient  
25 of aid, insurance, or medical assistance to which he or she may be  
26 entitled;

27 (d) If the department has promulgated rules for the conduct of

1 research. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, the requirement  
2 that all researchers must sign an oath of confidentiality. All identifying  
3 information concerning individual patients, including names, addresses,  
4 telephone numbers, and social security numbers, shall not be disclosed for  
5 research purposes.

6 (e) To the courts, as necessary to the administration of the  
7 provisions of this article;

8 (f) To persons authorized by an order of court after notice and  
9 opportunity for hearing to the person to whom the record or information  
10 pertains and the custodian of the record or information pursuant to the  
11 Colorado rules of civil procedure;

12 (g) To adult family members upon admission of a person with a  
13 mental illness for inpatient or residential care and treatment. The only  
14 information released pursuant to this paragraph (g) shall be the location  
15 and fact of admission of the person with a mental illness who is receiving  
16 care and treatment. The disclosure of location is governed by the  
17 procedures in ~~section 27-10-120.5 (1)~~ SECTION 27-65-122 and is subject  
18 to review under ~~section 27-10-120.5~~ SECTION 27-65-122.

19 (h) To adult family members actively participating in the care and  
20 treatment of a person with a mental illness regardless of the length of the  
21 participation. The information released pursuant to this paragraph (h)  
22 shall be limited to one or more of the following: The diagnosis, the  
23 prognosis, the need for hospitalization and anticipated length of stay, the  
24 discharge plan, the medication administered and side effects of the  
25 medication, and the short-term and long-term treatment goals. The  
26 disclosure is governed by the procedures in ~~section 27-10-120.5 (2)~~  
27 SECTION 27-65-122 (2) and is subject to review under ~~section 27-10-120.5~~

1 SECTION 27-65-122.

2 (i) In accordance with state and federal law to the agency  
3 designated pursuant to the federal "Protection and Advocacy for Mentally  
4 Ill Individuals Act", 42 U.S.C. sec. 10801, et seq., as the governor's  
5 protection and advocacy system for Colorado.

6 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) Nothing in paragraph (g) or (h) of subsection (1) of this  
7 section shall be deemed to preclude the release of information to a parent  
8 concerning his or her minor child.

9 ~~(2)~~ (3) (a) Nothing in this article shall be construed as rendering  
10 privileged or confidential any information, except written medical records  
11 and information ~~which~~ THAT is privileged under section 13-90-107,  
12 C.R.S., concerning observed behavior ~~which~~ THAT constitutes a criminal  
13 offense committed upon the premises of any facility providing services  
14 under this article or any criminal offense committed against any person  
15 while performing or receiving services under this article.

16 (b) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply  
17 to physicians or psychologists eligible to testify concerning a criminal  
18 defendant's mental condition pursuant to section 16-8-103.6, C.R.S.

19 ~~(3)~~ (4) (a) All facilities shall maintain and retain permanent  
20 records, including all applications as required pursuant to ~~section~~  
21 ~~27-10-105~~ ~~(2)~~ SECTION 27-65-105 (3).

22 (b) Outpatient or ambulatory care facilities shall retain all records  
23 for a minimum of seven years after discharge from the facility for persons  
24 who were eighteen years of age or older when admitted to the facility, or  
25 until twenty-five years of age for persons who were under eighteen years  
26 of age when admitted to the facility.

27 (c) Inpatient or hospital care facilities shall retain all records for

1 a minimum of ten years after discharge from the facility for persons who  
2 were eighteen years of age or older when admitted to the facility, or until  
3 twenty-eight years of age for persons who were under eighteen years of  
4 age when admitted to the facility.

5 **27-65-122. [Formerly 27-10-120.5] Request for release of**  
6 **information - procedures - review of a decision concerning release of**

7 **information.** (1) When a family member requests the location and fact  
8 of admission of a person with a mental illness pursuant to ~~section~~  
9 ~~27-10-120 (1) (g)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (g), the treating professional  
10 person or his or her designee, who shall be a professional person, shall  
11 decide whether to release or withhold such information. The location  
12 shall be released unless the treating professional person or his or her  
13 designee determines, after an interview with the person with a mental  
14 illness, that release of the information to a particular family member  
15 would not be in the best interests of the person with a mental illness. Any  
16 decision to withhold information requested pursuant to ~~section 27-10-120~~  
17 ~~(1) (g)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (g) is subject to administrative review  
18 pursuant to this section upon request of a family member or the person  
19 with a mental illness. The treating facility shall make a record of the  
20 information given to a family member pursuant to this subsection (1). For  
21 the purposes of this subsection (1), an adult person having a similar  
22 relationship to a person with a mental illness as a spouse, parent, child, or  
23 sibling of a person with a mental illness may also request the location and  
24 fact of admission concerning a person with a mental illness.

25 (2) (a) When a family member requests information pursuant to  
26 ~~section 27-10-120 (1) (h)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (h) concerning a person  
27 with a mental illness, the treating professional person or his or her

1 designee shall determine whether the person with a mental illness is  
2 capable of making a rational decision in weighing his or her  
3 confidentiality interests and the care and treatment interests implicated by  
4 the release of information. The treating professional person or his or her  
5 designee shall then determine whether the person with a mental illness  
6 consents or objects to such release. Information shall be released or  
7 withheld in the following circumstances:

8 (I) If the treating professional person or his or her designee makes  
9 a finding that the person with a mental illness is capable of making a  
10 rational decision concerning his or her interests and the person with a  
11 mental illness consents to the release of information, the treating  
12 professional person or his or her designee shall order the release of the  
13 information unless he or she determines that the release would not be in  
14 the best interests of the person with a mental illness.

15 (II) If the treating professional person or his or her designee  
16 makes a finding that the person with a mental illness is capable of making  
17 a rational decision concerning his or her interests and the person with a  
18 mental illness objects to the release of information, the treating  
19 professional person or his or her designee shall not order the release of  
20 the information.

21 (III) If the treating professional person or his or her designee  
22 makes a finding that the person with a mental illness is not capable of  
23 making a rational decision concerning his or her interests, the treating  
24 professional person or his or her designee may order the release of the  
25 information if he or she determines that the release would be in the best  
26 interests of the person with a mental illness.

27 (IV) Any determination as to capacity under this paragraph (a)



1 shall be used only for the limited purpose of this paragraph (a).

2 (b) A decision by a treating professional person or his or her  
3 designee concerning the capability of a person with a mental illness under  
4 subparagraph (III) of paragraph (a) of this subsection (2) is subject to  
5 administrative review upon the request of the person with a mental  
6 illness. A decision by a treating professional person or his or her  
7 designee to order the release or withholding of information under  
8 subparagraph (III) of paragraph (a) of this subsection (2) is subject to  
9 administrative review upon the request of either a family member or the  
10 person with a mental illness.

11 (c) The director of the treating facility shall make a record of any  
12 information given to a family member pursuant to paragraph (a) of this  
13 subsection (2) and ~~section 27-10-120 (1) (h)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (h).

14 (3) When administrative review is requested either under  
15 subsection (1) or paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of this section, the  
16 director of the facility providing care and treatment to the person with a  
17 mental illness shall cause an objective and impartial review of the  
18 decision to withhold or release information. The review shall be  
19 conducted by the director of the facility, if he or she is a professional  
20 person, or by a professional person whom he or she designates if the  
21 director is not available or if the director cannot provide an objective and  
22 impartial review. The review shall include, but need not be limited to, an  
23 interview with the person with a mental illness. The facility providing  
24 care and treatment shall document the review of the decision.

25 (4) If a person with a mental illness objects to the release or  
26 withholding of information, the person with a mental illness and his or  
27 her attorney, if any, shall be provided with information concerning the

1 procedures for administrative review of a decision to release or withhold  
2 information. The person with a mental illness shall be informed of any  
3 information proposed to be withheld or released and to whom and shall  
4 be given a reasonable opportunity to initiate the administrative review  
5 process before information concerning his or her care and treatment is  
6 released.

7 (5) A family member whose request for information is denied  
8 shall be provided with information concerning the procedures for  
9 administrative review of a decision to release or withhold information.

10 (6) A person with a mental illness may file a written request for  
11 review by the court of a decision made upon administrative review to  
12 release information to a family member requested under ~~section~~  
13 ~~27-10-120 (1) (h)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (h) and proposed to be released  
14 pursuant to subsection (2) of this section. If judicial review is requested,  
15 the court shall hear the matter within ten days after the request, and the  
16 court shall give notice to the person with a mental illness and his or her  
17 attorney, the treating professional person, and the person who made the  
18 decision upon administrative review of the time and place thereof. The  
19 hearing shall be conducted in the same manner as other civil proceedings  
20 before the court.

21 (7) In order to allow a person with a mental illness an opportunity  
22 to seek judicial review, the treating facility or the treating professional  
23 person or his or her designee shall not release information requested  
24 pursuant to ~~section 27-10-120 (1) (h)~~ SECTION 27-65-121 (1) (h) until five  
25 days after the determination upon administrative review of the director or  
26 his or her designee is received by the person with a mental illness, and,  
27 once judicial review is requested, information shall not be released except

1 by court order. However, if the person with a mental illness indicates an  
2 intention not to appeal a determination upon administrative review that  
3 is adverse to him or her concerning the release of information, the  
4 information may be released less than five days after the determination  
5 upon review is received by the person with a mental illness.

6 (8) This section provides for the release of information only and  
7 shall not be deemed to authorize the release of the written medical record  
8 without authorization by the patient or as otherwise provided by law.

9 (9) For purposes of this section, the treating professional person's  
10 designee shall be a professional person.

11 **27-65-123. [Formerly 27-10-121] Treatment in federal**

12 **facilities.** (1) If a person is certified under the provisions of this article  
13 and is eligible for hospital care or treatment by an agency of the United  
14 States and if a certificate of notification from said agency, showing that  
15 facilities are available and that the person is eligible for care or treatment  
16 therein, is received, the court may order ~~said person~~ HIM OR HER to be  
17 placed in the custody of the agency for hospitalization. When any person  
18 is admitted pursuant to an order of court to any hospital or institution  
19 operated by any agency of the United States within or without this state,  
20 ~~he~~ THE PERSON shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the agency.  
21 The chief officer of any hospital or institution operated by an agency and  
22 in which the person is so hospitalized shall, with respect to the person, be  
23 vested with the same powers as the chief officer of the Colorado mental  
24 health institute at Pueblo with respect to detention, custody, transfer,  
25 conditional release, or discharge of patients. Jurisdiction shall be retained  
26 in the appropriate courts of this state to inquire into the mental condition  
27 of persons so hospitalized and to determine the necessity for continuance

1 of their hospitalization.

2 (2) An order of a court of competent jurisdiction of another state,  
3 territory, or the District of Columbia, authorizing hospitalization of a  
4 person to any agency of the United States, shall have the same effect as  
5 to said person while in this state as in the jurisdiction in which the court  
6 entering the order is situated; the courts of the state or district issuing the  
7 order shall be deemed to have retained jurisdiction of the person so  
8 hospitalized for the purpose of inquiring into his OR HER mental condition  
9 and of determining the necessity for continuance of his OR HER  
10 hospitalization. Consent is hereby given to the application of the law of  
11 the state or district in which the court issuing the order for hospitalization  
12 is located, with respect to the authority of the chief officer of any hospital  
13 or institution operated in this state by any agency of the United States to  
14 retain custody, to transfer, to conditionally release, or to discharge the  
15 person hospitalized.

16 **27-65-124. [Formerly 27-10-122] Transfer of persons into and**  
17 **out of Colorado - reciprocal agreements.** (†) The transfer of persons  
18 hospitalized voluntarily under the provisions of this article out of  
19 Colorado or under the laws of another jurisdiction into Colorado shall be  
20 governed by the provisions of the interstate compact on mental health.

21 ~~(2) to (6) Repealed.~~

22 **27-65-125. [Formerly 27-10-123] Criminal proceedings.**  
23 Proceedings under ~~section 27-10-105, 27-10-106, or 27-10-107~~ SECTION  
24 27-65-105, 27-65-106, OR 27-65-107 shall not be initiated or carried out  
25 involving a person charged with a criminal offense unless or until the  
26 criminal offense has been tried or dismissed; except that the judge of the  
27 court wherein the criminal action is pending may request the district or

1 probate court to authorize and permit such proceedings.

2 **27-65-126. [Formerly 27-10-124] Application of this article.**

3 The provisions of this article do not apply to or govern any proceedings  
4 commenced or concluded prior to July 1, 1975, with the exception of  
5 ~~section 27-10-114~~ SECTION 27-65-114. Any proceeding commenced prior  
6 to July 1, 1975, shall be administered and disposed of according to the  
7 provisions of law existing prior to July 1, 1975, in the same manner as if  
8 this article had not been enacted.

9 **27-65-127. [Formerly 27-10-125] Imposition of legal disability**  
10 **- deprivation of legal right - restoration.** (1) (a) When an interested

11 person wishes to obtain a determination as to the imposition of a legal  
12 disability or the deprivation of a legal right for a person who has a mental  
13 illness and who is a danger to himself or herself or others, is gravely  
14 disabled, or is insane, as defined in section 16-8-101, C.R.S., and who is  
15 not then subject to proceedings under this article or part 3 or part 4 of  
16 article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., the interested person may petition the court  
17 for a specific finding as to the legal disability or deprivation of a legal  
18 right. Actions commenced pursuant to this subsection (1) may include  
19 but shall not be limited to actions to determine contractual rights and  
20 rights with regard to the operation of motor vehicles.

21 (b) The petition shall set forth the disability to be imposed or the  
22 legal right to be deprived and the reasons therefor.

23 (2) ~~(a)~~ The court may impose a legal disability or may deprive a  
24 person of a legal right only upon finding both of the following:

25 ~~(a)~~ (a) That the respondent is a person with a mental illness and is  
26 a danger to himself or herself or others, gravely disabled, or insane, as  
27 defined in section 16-8-101, C.R.S.;

1           ~~(H)~~ (b) That the requested disability or deprivation is both  
2 necessary and desirable.

3           ~~(b) Repealed.~~

4           (3) To have a legal disability removed or a legal right restored,  
5 any interested person may file a petition with the court which made the  
6 original finding. No legal disability shall be imposed nor a legal right be  
7 deprived for a period of more than six months without a review hearing  
8 by the court at the end of six months at which the findings specified in  
9 subsection (2) of this section shall be reaffirmed to justify continuance of  
10 the disability or deprivation. A copy of the petition shall be served on the  
11 person who filed the original petition, on the person whose rights are  
12 affected if he OR SHE is not the petitioner, and upon the facility where the  
13 person whose rights are affected resides, if any.

14           (4) Whenever any proceedings are instituted or conducted  
15 pursuant to this section, the following procedures shall apply:

16           (a) Upon the filing of a petition, the court shall appoint an  
17 attorney-at-law to represent the respondent. The respondent may replace  
18 said attorney with an attorney of the respondent's own selection at any  
19 time. Attorney fees for an indigent respondent shall be paid by the court.

20           (b) The court, upon request of an indigent respondent or his or her  
21 attorney, shall appoint, at the court's expense, one or more professional  
22 persons of the respondent's selection to assist the respondent in the  
23 preparation of his or her case.

24           (c) Upon demand made at least five days prior to the date of  
25 hearing, the respondent shall have the right to a trial of all issues by a jury  
26 of six.

27           (d) At all times the burden shall be upon the person seeking

1 imposition of a disability or deprivation of a legal right or opposing  
2 removal of a disability or deprivation to prove all essential elements by  
3 clear and convincing evidence.

4 (e) Pending a hearing, the court may issue an order temporarily  
5 imposing a disability or depriving the respondent of a legal right for a  
6 period of not more than ten days in conformity with the standards for  
7 issuance of ex parte temporary restraining orders in civil cases, but no  
8 individual habilitation or rehabilitation plan shall be required prior to the  
9 issuance of such order.

10 (f) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (4), all  
11 proceedings shall be held in conformance with the Colorado rules of civil  
12 procedure, but no costs shall be assessed against the respondent.

13 (5) Any person who, by reason of a judicial decree or order  
14 entered by a court of this state prior to July 1, 1979, is under the  
15 imposition of a legal disability or has been deprived of a legal right  
16 pursuant to this section as it existed prior to July 1, 1979, shall be released  
17 from such decree or order on December 31, 1979.

18 **27-65-128. [Formerly 27-10-126] Administration - rules.** The  
19 department shall make such rules ~~and regulations~~ as will consistently  
20 enforce the provisions of this article.

21 **27-65-129. [Formerly 27-10-127] Payment for counsel.** In  
22 order to provide legal representation to persons eligible therefor as  
23 provided in this article, the judicial department is authorized to pay, out  
24 of appropriations made therefor by the general assembly, sums directly to  
25 appointed counsel on a case-by-case basis or, on behalf of the state, to  
26 make lump-sum grants to and contract with individual attorneys, legal  
27 partnerships, legal professional corporations, public interest law firms, or

1 nonprofit legal services corporations.

2           **27-65-130. [Formerly 27-10-128] Mental health service**  
3 **standards for health care facilities.** (†) The advisory board created by  
4 ~~section 27-10-129~~ SECTION 27-65-131 shall be responsible for  
5 recommending standards and ~~regulations~~ RULES relevant to the provisions  
6 of this article for the programs of mental health services to those patients  
7 in any health care facility that has either separate facilities for the care,  
8 treatment, and rehabilitation of persons with mental health problems or  
9 those health care facilities that have as their only purpose the treatment  
10 and care of such persons.

11           (2) ~~(Deleted by amendment, L. 92, p. 955, § 6, effective March~~  
12 ~~19, 1992.)~~

13           **27-65-131. [Formerly 27-10-129] Advisory board - service**  
14 **standards and regulations.** (†) There is hereby established an advisory  
15 board to the department for the purpose of assisting and advising the  
16 executive director in accordance with ~~section 27-10-128~~ SECTION  
17 27-65-130 in the development of service standards and ~~regulations~~ RULES.  
18 The board shall consist of not less than eleven nor more than fifteen  
19 members appointed by the governor and shall include one representative  
20 each from the division of mental health UNIT in the department THAT  
21 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
22 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, the  
23 department of human services, the department of public health and  
24 environment, the university of Colorado ~~medical~~ HEALTH SCIENCES  
25 center, and a leading professional association of psychiatrists in this state;  
26 at least one member representing proprietary skilled health care facilities;  
27 one member representing nonprofit health care facilities; one member



1 representing the Colorado bar association; one member representing  
2 consumers of mental health services; one member representing families  
3 of persons with mental illness; one member representing children's health  
4 care facilities; and other persons from both the private and the public  
5 sectors who are recognized or known to be interested and informed in the  
6 area of the board's purpose and function. In making appointments to the  
7 board, the governor is encouraged to include representation by at least  
8 one member who is a person with a disability, as defined in section  
9 24-45.5-102 (2), C.R.S., a family member of a person with a disability,  
10 or a member of an advocacy group for persons with disabilities, provided  
11 that the other requirements of this subsection (1) SECTION are met.

12 (2) ~~(Deleted by amendment, L. 92, p. 955, § 7, effective March~~  
13 ~~19, 1992.)~~

## 14 **ARTICLE 66**

### 15 **Community Mental Health Services - Purchase**

16 **27-66-101. [Formerly 27-1-201] Definitions.** As used in this  
17 ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE, unless the context otherwise requires:

18 (1) "Acute treatment unit" means a facility or a distinct part of a  
19 facility for short-term psychiatric care, which may include substance  
20 abuse treatment, that provides a total, twenty-four-hour, therapeutically  
21 planned and professionally staffed environment for persons who do not  
22 require inpatient hospitalization but need more intense and individual  
23 services than are available on an outpatient basis, such as crisis  
24 management and stabilization services.

25 (2) "Community mental health center" means either a physical  
26 plant or a group of services under unified administration or affiliated with  
27 one another, and including at least the following services provided for the

1 prevention and treatment of mental illness in persons residing in a  
2 particular community in or near the facility so situated:

- 3 (a) Inpatient services;
- 4 (b) Outpatient services;
- 5 (c) Partial hospitalization;
- 6 (d) Emergency services;
- 7 (e) Consultative and educational services.

8 (3) "Community mental health clinic" means a health institution  
9 planned, organized, operated, and maintained to provide basic community  
10 services for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of emotional or  
11 mental disorders, such services being rendered primarily on an outpatient  
12 and consultative basis.

13 (4) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
14 CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

15 (5) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

17 (6) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT  
18 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
19 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

20 **27-66-102. [Formerly 27-1-202] Administration - rules.**

21 (1) The executive director of the department of human services has the  
22 power and duty to administer and enforce the provisions of this ~~part 2~~  
23 ARTICLE.

24 (2) The department of human services may adopt reasonable and  
25 proper rules to implement this ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE in accordance with the  
26 provisions of section 24-4-103, C.R.S., and consistent with ~~sections~~  
27 ~~27-1-103 and 27-1-103.5~~ SECTIONS 27-90-102 AND 27-90-103.

1           **27-66-103. [Formerly 27-1-203] Community mental health**  
2 **services - purchase program.** In order to encourage the development of  
3 preventive, treatment, and rehabilitative services through new community  
4 mental health programs, the improvement and expansion of existing  
5 community mental health services, and the integration of community with  
6 state mental health services, there is established a program to purchase  
7 community mental health services by the department. ~~of human services.~~

8           **27-66-104. [Formerly 27-1-204] Types of services purchased**  
9 **- limitation on payments - offender mental health services fund.**

10 (1) Community mental health services may be purchased from clinics,  
11 community mental health centers, local general or psychiatric hospitals,  
12 and other agencies ~~which~~ THAT have been approved by the executive  
13 director. ~~of the department of human services for such purchase.~~

14           ~~(2) and (3) Repealed.~~

15           ~~(4)~~ (2) (a) Each year the general assembly shall appropriate funds  
16 for the purchase of mental health services from:

17           (I) Community mental health centers;

18           (II) Agencies that provide specialized clinic-type services but do  
19 not serve a specific designated service area; and

20           (III) Acute treatment units.

21           (b) The funds appropriated for the purposes of this ~~subsection (4)~~  
22 SUBSECTION (2) shall be distributed by the executive director ~~of the~~  
23 ~~department of human services~~ to approved community mental health  
24 centers and other agencies on the basis of need and in accordance with the  
25 services provided.

26           ~~(5)~~ (3) Each year the general assembly may appropriate funds in  
27 addition to those appropriated for purposes of ~~subsection (4)~~ SUBSECTION

1 (2) of this section, which FUNDS may be used by the executive director of  
2 ~~the department of human services~~ to assist community mental health  
3 clinics and centers in instituting innovative programs, in providing mental  
4 health services to impoverished areas, and in dealing with crisis  
5 situations. The executive director of ~~the department of human services~~  
6 shall require that any innovative or crisis programs for which funds are  
7 allocated under this ~~subsection (5)~~ SUBSECTION (3) be clearly defined in  
8 terms of services to be rendered, program objectives, scope and duration  
9 of the program, and the maximum amount of funds to be provided.

10 ~~(5.5)~~ (4) (a) The offender mental health services fund, REFERRED  
11 TO IN THIS SUBSECTION (4) AS THE "FUND", is hereby created in the state  
12 treasury. The principal of the fund shall consist of tobacco litigation  
13 settlement moneys transferred by the state treasurer to the fund in  
14 accordance with section 24-75-1104.5 (1.5) (a) (II), C.R.S., for the  
15 purchase of mental health services for juvenile and adult offenders who  
16 have mental health problems and are involved in the criminal justice  
17 system. ~~The division of mental health in the department of human~~  
18 services, ~~THE UNIT,~~ subject to annual appropriation by the general  
19 assembly, shall distribute the principal of the fund to the community  
20 mental health centers; except that, at the end of the 2007-08 fiscal year  
21 and at the end of each fiscal year thereafter, all unexpended and  
22 unencumbered principal of the fund shall be transferred to the short-term  
23 innovative health program grant fund created in section 25-36-101 (2),  
24 C.R.S., in accordance with section 24-75-1104.5 (1.5) (b), C.R.S. Interest  
25 and income earned on the deposit and investment of moneys in the  
26 ~~offender mental health services~~ fund shall be credited to the fund and  
27 shall remain in the fund until the end of the fiscal year in which credited,

1 when it shall be transferred to the short-term innovative health program  
2 grant fund.

3 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (a) of this  
4 ~~subsection (5.5)~~ SUBSECTION (4) to the contrary, on April 20, 2009, the  
5 state treasurer shall deduct two hundred forty-six thousand three hundred  
6 fifty dollars from the ~~offender mental health services~~ fund and transfer  
7 such sum to the general fund.

8 ~~(6)~~ (5) If there is a reduction in the financial support of local  
9 governmental bodies for community mental health services, the executive  
10 director of the ~~department of human services~~ is authorized to reduce state  
11 payments for services in an amount proportional to the reduction in such  
12 local financial support.

13 ~~(7) Repealed.~~

14 ~~(8)~~ (6) For purposes of entering into a cooperative purchasing  
15 agreement pursuant to section 24-110-201, C.R.S., a nonprofit community  
16 mental health center or a nonprofit community mental health clinic may  
17 be certified as a local public procurement unit as provided in section  
18 24-110-207.5, C.R.S.

19 **27-66-105. [Formerly 27-1-205] Standards for approval.**

20 (1) In approving or rejecting community mental health clinics for the  
21 purchase of mental health services, the executive director of ~~the~~  
22 ~~department of human services~~ shall:

23 (a) Consider the adequacy of mental health services provided by  
24 such clinics, taking into consideration such factors as geographic location,  
25 local economic conditions, and availability of manpower;

26 (b) Require that overall responsibility for the administration of a  
27 community mental health clinic be vested in a director who is a physician

1 or a member of one of the mental health professions;

2 (c) Require that the treatment programs of the clinic be under the  
3 overall direction of a psychiatrist who is a physician licensed to practice  
4 medicine in the state of Colorado;

5 (d) Require that the clinic staff include, wherever feasible, other  
6 professional staff workers, such as psychologists, social workers,  
7 educational consultants, and nurses, with such qualifications,  
8 responsibilities, and time on the job as correspond with the size and  
9 capacity of the clinic. The clinic staff may include, with the approval of  
10 the executive director, ~~of the department of human services~~, such other  
11 nonprofessional persons as may be deemed necessary by the clinic board  
12 for the proper discharge of its functions.

13 (e) Require that each clinic from which services may be purchased  
14 be under the control and direction of a county or community board of  
15 health, a board of directors or trustees of a corporation, for profit or not  
16 for profit, a regional mental health and mental retardation board, or a  
17 political subdivision of the state;

18 (f) Consider the existence of facilities that provide an emphasis on  
19 the care and treatment of persons recently released from mental hospitals  
20 or institutions directed toward assisting said persons in their adjustment  
21 to and functioning within society as a whole.

22 (2) In approving or rejecting local general or psychiatric hospitals,  
23 community mental health centers, acute treatment units, and other  
24 agencies for the purchase of services not provided by local mental health  
25 clinics, including, but not limited to, twenty-four-hour and partial  
26 hospitalization, the executive director ~~of the department of human~~  
27 ~~services~~ shall consider the following factors:

1 (a) The general quality of care provided to patients by such  
2 agencies;

3 (b) The organization of the medical staff to provide for the  
4 integration and coordination of the psychiatric treatment program;

5 (c) The provisions for the availability of nursing, psychological,  
6 and social services and the existence of an organized program of activities  
7 under the direction of an occupational therapist or of another qualified  
8 person;

9 (d) The licensure by the department of public health and  
10 environment or another state agency where applicable;

11 (e) The methods by which the agency coordinates its services with  
12 those rendered by other agencies to ensure an uninterrupted continuum of  
13 care to persons with mental illness; AND

14 (f) The availability of such services to the general public.

15 (3) In the purchase of services from community mental health  
16 centers, the executive director of the ~~department of human services~~ shall  
17 specify levels and types of inpatient, outpatient, consultation, education,  
18 and training services and expenditures and shall establish minimum  
19 standards for other programs of such centers that are to be supported with  
20 state funds.

21 **27-66-106. [Formerly 27-1-206] Federal grants-in-aid -**  
22 **administration.** The department of ~~human services~~ is designated the  
23 official mental health and mental retardation authority, and is authorized  
24 to receive grants-in-aid from the federal government under the provisions  
25 of 42 U.S.C. sec. 246, and shall administer said grants in accordance  
26 therewith.

27 **27-66-107. [Formerly 27-1-207] Purchase of services by**

1 **courts, counties, municipalities, school districts, and other political**  
2 **subdivisions.** Any county, municipality, school district, health service  
3 district, or other political subdivision of the state or any county, district,  
4 or juvenile court is authorized to purchase ~~such~~ mental health services  
5 from community mental health clinics and such other community  
6 agencies as are approved for purchases by the executive director. ~~of the~~  
7 ~~department of human services.~~ For the purchase of mental health services  
8 by counties or city and counties as authorized by this section, the board  
9 of county commissioners of any county or the city council of any city and  
10 county may levy a tax not to exceed two mills upon real property within  
11 the county or city and county if the board first submits the question of  
12 such levy to a vote of the qualified electors at a general election and  
13 receives their approval of such levy.

14 **27-66-108. [Formerly 27-1-208] Institutes and training**  
15 **programs.** The department of ~~human services~~ may, from time to time  
16 during each year, provide ~~such~~ consultation and conduct ~~such~~ institutes  
17 and training programs on a state, regional, district, county, or community  
18 level as ~~may be~~ necessary to coordinate, inform, and assist in the training  
19 of staff members of the various approved community mental health  
20 programs of the state. The department of ~~human services~~ may reimburse  
21 ~~such~~ staff members for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in  
22 attending ~~such~~ THE institutes and training programs.

23 **27-66-109. [Formerly 27-1-209] Family mental health services**  
24 **grant program - rural areas - creation - administration - report -**  
25 **repeal.** (1) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:  
26 (a) "Department" means the department of human services created  
27 in section 26-1-105, C.R.S.



1           ~~(b)~~ "Division" means the division within the department  
2 responsible for mental health services.

3           ~~(c)~~(b) "Family mental health services" means counseling services  
4 provided by a licensed mental health professional to children and their  
5 families.

6           ~~(d)~~(c) "Grant program" means the family mental health services  
7 grant program created in subsection (2) of this section.

8           ~~(e)~~(d) "Rural area" means:

9           (I) A county with a population of less than fifty thousand people,  
10 according to the most recently available population statistics of the United  
11 States bureau of the census;

12           (II) A municipality with a population of less than fifty thousand  
13 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of  
14 the United States bureau of the census, that is located ten miles or more  
15 from a municipality with a population of more than fifty thousand people;  
16 or

17           (III) The unincorporated part of a county located ten miles or  
18 more from a municipality with a population of more than fifty thousand  
19 people, according to the most recently available population statistics of  
20 the United States bureau of the census.

21           ~~(f)~~(e) "State board" means the state board of human services  
22 created in section 26-1-107, C.R.S.

23           (f) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT  
24 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
25 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

26           (2) (a) There is hereby created the family mental health services  
27 grant program. The ~~division~~ UNIT shall administer the grant program.

1 (b) A community mental health center located in or serving a rural  
2 area may apply for a one-time grant to fund the provision of family  
3 mental health services in a rural area. When applying for a grant, the  
4 community mental health center shall submit the following information  
5 in a form and manner determined by the division UNIT:

6 (I) The need for family mental health services in the rural area that  
7 will be served;

8 (II) The specific family mental health services that will be  
9 provided;

10 (III) The community mental health center's plan for sustaining the  
11 family mental health services without future moneys from the grant  
12 program; and

13 (IV) Any other information required by the division UNIT.

14 (c) The division UNIT shall establish criteria to be used in  
15 awarding grants pursuant to this section. The criteria shall include, but  
16 need not be limited to, the following:

17 (I) The types of family mental health services that may be  
18 provided using moneys awarded through the grant program;

19 (II) The family mental health service needs of the rural areas that  
20 will be served;

21 (III) A method for ranking the family mental health service needs  
22 of the rural areas so as to provide grant moneys to the rural areas with the  
23 greatest need;

24 (IV) The ability of a community mental health center to sustain  
25 the family mental health service without additional moneys from the grant  
26 program.

27 (d) The state board may adopt rules as necessary for the

1 implementation of the grant program.

2 (3) (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the family  
3 mental health services grant program cash fund, REFERRED TO IN THIS  
4 SUBSECTION (3) AS THE "FUND". The moneys in the fund shall be subject  
5 to annual appropriation by the general assembly to award grants to  
6 eligible community mental health centers and for the direct and indirect  
7 costs associated with the implementation of the grant program. The  
8 division UNIT is authorized to accept on behalf of the state any grants,  
9 gifts, or donations from any private or public source for the purpose of the  
10 grant program. All private and public ~~funds~~ MONEYS received through  
11 grants, gifts, or donations shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who  
12 shall credit the same to the fund. All investment earnings derived from  
13 the deposit and investment of moneys in the fund shall remain in the fund  
14 and shall not be transferred or revert to the general fund at the end of any  
15 fiscal year.

16 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this  
17 subsection (3), the division UNIT shall not implement the grant program  
18 until sufficient grants, gifts, or donations are obtained to cover the costs  
19 of implementing the grant program.

20 (4) By November 1, 2008, and by each November 1 thereafter, as  
21 part of its annual budget request, the department shall submit a report to  
22 the joint budget committee regarding the grant program. The report shall  
23 include, but need not be limited to, the following information:

24 (a) The amount of moneys awarded through the grant program  
25 during the prior fiscal year;

26 (b) The recipients of grant moneys;

27 (c) The types of family mental health services provided by

- 1 community mental health centers with the grant moneys;
- 2 (d) The rural areas served by the family mental health services;
- 3 (e) Whether the grant program has been successful in serving the
- 4 family mental health needs in rural areas; and
- 5 (f) Whether the grant program should be modified in any way,
- 6 continued in its current form, or repealed.
- 7 (5) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2010.

8 **ARTICLE 67**

9 **Child Mental Health Treatment Act**

10 **27-67-101. [Formerly 27-10.3-101] Short title.** This article

11 shall be known and may be cited as the "Child Mental Health Treatment

12 Act".

13 **27-67-102. [Formerly 27-10.3-102] Legislative declaration.**

14 (1) The general assembly finds that many parents in Colorado have

15 experienced challenging circumstances because their children have

16 significant mental health needs. Many times, the parents are loving,

17 caring parents who have become increasingly frustrated in their attempts

18 to navigate the various governmental systems including child welfare,

19 mental health, law enforcement, juvenile justice, education, and youth

20 corrections in an attempt to find help for their children. Frequently in

21 these situations an action in dependency or neglect under article 3 of title

22 19, C.R.S., is neither appropriate nor warranted.

23 (2) The general assembly finds that it is desirable to assist children

24 with mental health needs and their families. The general assembly further

25 finds that it is desirable to make mental health services more available to

26 families who want treatment for their children. The general assembly

27 finds that, although the mental health agencies are responsible for

1 providing the full range of mental health treatment services, including  
2 residential care, for those children who have been found to be  
3 categorically eligible for medicaid, there remains a population of children  
4 in need of mental health services who are not categorically eligible for  
5 medicaid. Accordingly, the general assembly determines that it is  
6 appropriate to adopt a program pursuant to which a continuum of services  
7 would be provided to these children.

8 **27-67-103. [Formerly 27-10.3-103] Definitions.** As used in this  
9 article, unless the context otherwise requires:

10 (1) "Behavioral health organization" shall have the same meaning  
11 as provided in section 25.5-5-403 (1), C.R.S.

12 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) "Child at risk of out-of-home placement" means a child  
13 who, although not otherwise categorically eligible for medicaid, meets the  
14 following criteria:

15 (a) Has been diagnosed as having a mental illness, as defined in  
16 ~~section 27-10-102 (8.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (14);

17 (b) Requires a level of care that is provided in a residential child  
18 care facility pursuant to section 25.5-5-306, C.R.S., or that is provided  
19 through in-home or community-based programs and who, without such  
20 care, is at risk of out-of-home placement;

21 (c) If determined to be in need of placement in a residential child  
22 care facility, is determined to be eligible for supplemental security  
23 income; and

24 (d) For whom it is inappropriate or unwarranted to file an action  
25 in dependency or neglect pursuant to article 3 of title 19, C.R.S.

26 ~~(2)~~ (3) "Community mental health center" means either a physical  
27 plant or a group of services under unified administration or affiliated with

1 one another and includes at least the following services provided for the  
2 prevention and treatment of mental illness in persons residing in a  
3 particular community in or near the facility or group so situated:

- 4 (a) Inpatient services;
- 5 (b) Outpatient services;
- 6 (c) Partial hospitalization;
- 7 ~~(d) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2007, p. 1372, § 2, effective May~~  
8 ~~30, 2007.)~~

- 9 ~~(e)~~ (d) Emergency services; and
- 10 ~~(f)~~ (e) Consultative and educational services.

11 ~~(3)~~ (4) "County department" means the county or district  
12 department of social services.

13 ~~(3.5)~~ (5) "Master settlement agreement" means the master  
14 settlement agreement, the smokeless tobacco master settlement  
15 agreement, and the consent decree approved and entered by the court in  
16 the case denominated *State of Colorado, ex rel. Gale A. Norton, Attorney*  
17 *General v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.; American Tobacco Co., Inc.;*  
18 *Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.; Liggett & Myers, Inc.; Lorillard*  
19 *Tobacco Co., Inc.; Philip Morris, Inc.; United States Tobacco Co.; B.A.T.*  
20 *Industries, P.L.C.; The Council For Tobacco Research--U.S.A., Inc.; and*  
21 *Tobacco Institute, Inc.*, Case No. 97 CV 3432, in the district court for the  
22 city and county of Denver.

23 ~~(4)~~ (6) "Mental health agency" means the community mental  
24 health center serving children in a particular geographic area or the  
25 behavioral health organization serving children in a particular geographic  
26 area who are receiving medicaid.

27 ~~(5)~~ (7) "State department" means the state department of human

1 services.

2 **27-67-104. [Formerly 27-10.3-104] Provision of mental health**  
3 **treatment services for youth.** (1) (a) A parent or guardian may apply  
4 to a mental health agency on behalf of his or her minor child for mental  
5 health treatment services for the child pursuant to this section, whether  
6 the child is categorically eligible for medicaid under the capitated mental  
7 health system described in section 25.5-5-411, C.R.S., or whether the  
8 parent believes his or her child is a child at risk of out-of-home  
9 placement. In such circumstances, it shall be the responsibility of the  
10 mental health agency to evaluate the child and to clinically assess the  
11 child's need for mental health services and, when warranted, to provide  
12 treatment services as necessary and in the best interests of the child and  
13 the child's family. Subject to available state appropriations, the mental  
14 health agency shall be responsible for the provision of the treatment  
15 services and care management, including any in-home family mental  
16 health treatment, other family preservation services, residential treatment,  
17 or any post-residential follow-up services that may be appropriate for the  
18 child's or family's needs. For the purposes of this section, the term "care  
19 management" includes, but is not limited to, consideration of the  
20 continuity of care and array of services necessary for appropriately  
21 treating the child and the decision-making authority regarding a child's  
22 placement in and discharge from mental health services. A dependency  
23 or neglect action pursuant to article 3 of title 19, C.R.S., shall not be  
24 required in order to allow a family access to residential mental health  
25 treatment services for a child.

26 (b) At the time of the assessment by the mental health agency, if  
27 residential services are denied, or at the time when the mental health

1 agency has recommended that the child be discharged from services, the  
2 mental health agency shall advise the family, both orally and in writing,  
3 of the appeal process available to them. The mental health agency shall  
4 have two working days within which to complete any internal appeal  
5 process. Within five working days after the mental health agency's final  
6 denial or recommendation for discharge, a parent or guardian may request  
7 an objective third party at the state department who is a professional  
8 person, as that term is defined in ~~section 27-10-102 (11)~~ SECTION  
9 27-65-102 (17), to review the action of the mental health agency. The  
10 review shall occur within three working days of the parent's or guardian's  
11 request.

12 (2) If at any time the mental health agency determines pursuant to  
13 section 19-3-304, C.R.S., that there is reasonable cause to know or  
14 suspect that a child has been subjected to abuse or neglect, then the  
15 mental health agency shall immediately contact the appropriate county  
16 department. Within ten days after the referral to the county department,  
17 the mental health agency shall meet with the county department and the  
18 family. Upon referral to the county department, the county department  
19 shall proceed with an assessment to determine whether there is a  
20 sufficient basis to believe that physical or sexual abuse or neglect or some  
21 other form of abuse or neglect of a child's physical well-being has  
22 occurred, warranting a dependency or neglect action.

23 **27-67-105. [Formerly 27-10.3-105] Monitoring - report.**

24 (1) On or before September 1, 2009, and by September 1 of each year  
25 thereafter, each community mental health center shall report to the state  
26 department the following information, and each behavioral health  
27 organization, for those children eligible to receive medicaid benefits



1 whose parent or legal guardian requests residential treatment, shall report  
2 to the department of health care policy and financing the following  
3 information:

4 (a) The number of children, both those children who are  
5 categorically eligible for medicaid under the capitated mental health  
6 system described in section 25.5-5-411, C.R.S., and those children who  
7 are at risk of out-of-home placement, to whom the following services  
8 were provided:

9 (I) An assessment pursuant to ~~section 27-10.3-104(1)(a)~~ SECTION  
10 27-67-104 (1) (a);

11 (II) In-home family mental health treatment;

12 (III) Community-based treatment, including but not limited to  
13 therapeutic foster care services;

14 (IV) Family preservation services;

15 (V) Residential treatment; and

16 (VI) Post-residential follow-up services.

17 (b) The number of children, both those children who are  
18 categorically eligible for medicaid under the capitated mental health  
19 system described in section 25.5-5-411, C.R.S., and those children who  
20 are at risk of out-of-home placement, referred to the county department  
21 for a dependency or neglect investigation pursuant to ~~section 27-10.3-104~~  
22 ~~(2)~~ SECTION 27-67-104 (2), and the reasons therefor;

23 (c) The number of children for whom either:

24 (I) An assessment was requested but not performed, and the  
25 reasons that the assessment was not performed; or

26 (II) An assessment was performed but the mental health agency  
27 did not provide services under this article, and the reasons that services

1 were not provided, including whether the family refused the services  
2 offered;

3 (d) The costs associated with the provision of the mental health  
4 treatment services;

5 (e) The profiles of the children and families served;

6 (f) The outcomes of treatment for the children served, as  
7 determined by the state department in consultation with mental health  
8 agencies, service providers, and families;

9 (g) If residential services were provided, the length of stay; and

10 (h) The aggregate number of complaints submitted pursuant to the  
11 dispute resolution process described in ~~section 27-10.3-107~~ SECTION  
12 27-67-107, the nature of the complaints, and the general disposition of the  
13 cases.

14 ~~(2) Repealed.~~

15 ~~(3)~~ (2) On or before October 1, 2009, and on or before October 1  
16 of each year thereafter, the department of health care policy and financing  
17 shall provide to the state department the information received from  
18 behavioral health organizations pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

19 **27-67-106. [Formerly 27-10.3-106] Funding - rules.** (1) In  
20 order to make mental health treatment available, it is the intent of the  
21 general assembly that mental health treatment provided pursuant to this  
22 article to each child described in ~~section 27-10.3-103 (1.5)~~ SECTION  
23 27-67-103 (2) be provided by mental health agencies.

24 (2) (a) If neither the family's private insurance nor federal  
25 medicaid funding cover all of the costs associated with the services  
26 provided to a child at risk of out-of-home placement pursuant to this  
27 article, then the family shall be responsible for paying that portion that is

1 not covered by private insurance or federal medicaid funding on a sliding  
2 scale basis as set forth in subsection (3) of this section. Any remaining  
3 portion of the services not covered by private insurance, federal medicaid  
4 funding, or the family's share, shall be paid for from moneys appropriated  
5 for such purpose pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (2) or from  
6 general fund moneys, subject to available appropriations.

7 (b) Pursuant to section 24-75-1104.5 (1) (k), C.R.S., beginning in  
8 the 2004-05 fiscal year, and for each fiscal year thereafter so long as the  
9 state receives moneys pursuant to the master settlement agreement, the  
10 general assembly shall appropriate to the state department to fund the  
11 remaining portion of services not covered by private insurance, federal  
12 medicaid funding, or the family's share, as described in paragraph (a) of  
13 this subsection (2), three hundred thousand dollars from the moneys  
14 received by the state in accordance with the master settlement agreement  
15 for the preceding fiscal year. The general assembly shall appropriate the  
16 amount specified in this paragraph (b) from moneys credited to the  
17 tobacco litigation settlement cash fund created in section 24-22-115,  
18 C.R.S.

19 (3) The state board of human services, in consultation with the  
20 department of health care policy and financing, shall promulgate rules  
21 implementing a sliding scale for the payment of services, including  
22 mental health treatment and room and board, that are not covered by  
23 private insurance or federal medicaid funding. It is the intent of the  
24 general assembly that the portion of such expenses paid from general  
25 fund moneys shall not exceed the general fund appropriations made for  
26 such purpose in any given fiscal year. It is the further intent of the  
27 general assembly that subsidies provided by the state through general

1 fund moneys shall be used to assist the lowest income families to ensure  
2 the maximum use of appropriate least restrictive treatment services and  
3 to provide access to the greatest number of children.

4 **27-67-107. [Formerly 27-10.3-107] Dispute resolution - rules.**

5 (1) The state department shall utilize, when appropriate, established  
6 grievance and dispute resolution processes in order to assure that parents  
7 have access to mental health services on behalf of their children.

8 (2) The state board of human services shall promulgate rules to  
9 assure that a grievance process is available to parents concerning the  
10 provision of mental health services and to assure that a dispute resolution  
11 process is available for disputes between the county departments and  
12 mental health agencies.

13 **27-67-108. [Formerly 27-10.3-108] Repeal of article.** This  
14 article is repealed, effective July 1, 2019.

15 **ARTICLE 68**

16 **Mental Health Services Pilot Program**  
17 **for Families of Discharged Veterans of**  
18 **Operation Enduring Freedom and**  
19 **Operation Iraqi Freedom**

20 **27-68-101. [Formerly 27-1-301] Short title.** This ~~part~~  
21 ARTICLE shall be known and may be cited as the "Mental Health Services  
22 Pilot Program for Families of Recently Discharged Veterans Act".

23 **27-68-102. [Formerly 27-1-302] Legislative declaration.**

24 (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

25 (a) Current research indicates that there exists a military culture  
26 in the United States that is reluctant to seek mental health services, in part  
27 because of a widely held perception that seeking mental health services

1 will destroy a military career. This perception adds additional stress to a  
2 veteran or the family of a veteran in addition to the underlying cause of  
3 their distress, thus compounding the initial problem.

4 (b) Frequently, it is the family of the veteran who initially seeks  
5 treatment services and the veteran then follows suit. However, upon  
6 discharge, families are not covered under veterans administration  
7 benefits, leaving most families of discharged veterans with limited access  
8 to mental health services.

9 (c) Access to mental health services is being severely limited by  
10 capacity constraints within the military system. Veterans administration  
11 medical and mental health clinics report waiting lists of more than four  
12 hundred veterans in some areas.

13 (d) Colorado Springs is home to a high percentage of combat  
14 veterans from operation enduring freedom and operation Iraqi freedom  
15 and their families who would benefit from the provision of mental health  
16 services.

17 (2) The general assembly therefore finds that it is in the best  
18 interest of the state of Colorado to create a pilot program to educate  
19 veterans and their families about mental health issues, including  
20 posttraumatic stress disorder, encourage families of discharged veterans  
21 to seek mental health services, and provide mental health services to  
22 families who would otherwise not be able to receive such services.

23 **27-68-103. [Formerly 27-1-303] Definitions.** As used in this  
24 ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE, unless the context otherwise requires:

25 (1) "Community mental health center" means a nonprofit  
26 community mental health center as defined in ~~section 27-1-201 (2)~~  
27 SECTION 27-66-101 (2).

1 (2) "Department" means the Colorado department of human  
2 services, CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

3 (3) "Discharged veteran" means a discharged veteran who served  
4 in operation enduring freedom or operation Iraqi freedom.

5 (4) "Family" means a spouse or dependent child of a discharged  
6 veteran.

7 (5) "Fund" means the mental health services pilot program fund  
8 created in ~~section 27-1-305~~ SECTION 27-68-105.

9 (6) "Pilot program" means the mental health services pilot  
10 program for families of recently discharged veterans created in ~~section~~  
11 ~~27-1-304 (1)~~ SECTION 27-68-104 (1).

12 **27-68-104. [Formerly 27-1-304] Pilot program - creation -**  
13 **scope - reporting.** (1) There is hereby created in the department the  
14 mental health services pilot program for families of recently discharged  
15 veterans to educate veterans and their families about mental health issues,  
16 including posttraumatic stress disorder, encourage families of discharged  
17 veterans to seek mental health services, and provide mental health  
18 services to families of discharged veterans who would otherwise not be  
19 able to receive such services.

20 (2) Effective July 1, 2007, subject to available funding, the  
21 department shall purchase community mental health treatment services  
22 pursuant to ~~section 27-1-203~~ SECTION 27-66-103 and mental health  
23 education services from community mental health centers in the Colorado  
24 Springs area for the purpose of providing mental health education,  
25 referral, and treatment services to families of recently discharged  
26 veterans. Participating community mental health centers shall provide a  
27 full range of mental health services to families of discharged veterans.

1 Participating community mental health centers are hereby authorized and  
2 encouraged to contract with other mental health providers in the Colorado  
3 Springs area for mental health services as necessary. Mental health  
4 education services provided by participating community mental health  
5 centers shall include, but need not be limited to, creating and maintaining  
6 a web site that includes information on the symptoms of posttraumatic  
7 stress disorder, treatment options, referral information, and contact  
8 information for persons seeking treatment.

9 (3) A family that receives services through the pilot program shall  
10 pay to the participating community mental health center a co-pay not to  
11 exceed twenty dollars for each calendar month to cover all services  
12 received during that month. If the family has access to alternative  
13 insurance coverage for the mental health services received, such  
14 alternative funding shall be utilized prior to accessing pilot program  
15 dollars.

16 (4) Beginning July 1, 2007, community mental health centers  
17 participating in the pilot program shall collect data on services provided  
18 and client outcomes for the purpose of determining the effectiveness of  
19 the pilot program. No later than December 1, 2009, each participating  
20 community mental health center shall submit a report to the department  
21 summarizing the outcomes of the pilot program. No later than February  
22 1, 2010, the department shall submit a report to the health and human  
23 services committees of the senate and house of representatives, or any  
24 successor committees, that summarizes the findings of the participating  
25 community mental health centers.

26 **27-68-105. [Formerly 27-1-305] Mental health services pilot**  
27 **program fund - supplemental tobacco litigation settlement moneys**

1 **account - creation.** (1) There are hereby created in the state treasury the  
2 mental health services pilot program fund and an account within the fund  
3 to be known as the supplemental tobacco litigation settlement moneys  
4 account. The principal of the portion of the fund that is not the account  
5 shall consist of general fund appropriations made by the general assembly  
6 for the pilot program and gifts, grants, matching funds, or donations  
7 received by the department for the pilot program from the federal  
8 government or any other public or private source. The principal of the  
9 account shall consist of settlement moneys, as defined in section  
10 24-75-1102 (2), C.R.S., or interest or income earned on the deposit and  
11 investment of settlement moneys transferred to the account from the  
12 short-term innovative health program grant fund created pursuant to  
13 section 25-36-101 (2), C.R.S., enacted by Senate Bill 07-097 at the first  
14 regular session of the sixty-sixth general assembly, as required by section  
15 25-36-101 (7), C.R.S. All interest and income earned on the deposit and  
16 investment of moneys in the portion of the fund that is not the account  
17 shall be credited to that portion of the fund, and all interest and income  
18 earned on the deposit and investment of moneys in the account shall be  
19 credited to the account and remain in the account until transferred as  
20 required by this subsection (1). The department shall use moneys in the  
21 fund and account only to purchase mental health services for families of  
22 discharged veterans pursuant to this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE and to pay the  
23 administrative costs of implementing the pilot program; except that  
24 administrative costs shall not exceed five percent of all amounts  
25 appropriated from the fund or the account for a fiscal year; and except  
26 that, at the end of the 2007-08 fiscal year and at the end of any fiscal year  
27 thereafter, any unexpended and unencumbered moneys in the account



1 shall be transferred to the short-term innovative health program grant  
2 fund.

3 (2) The department may solicit and receive gifts, grants, and  
4 donations from public and private sources to carry out the purposes of this  
5 ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE, but receipt of gifts, grants, and donations shall not be a  
6 prerequisite to the implementation of the pilot program. The department  
7 shall transfer any moneys received pursuant to this subsection (2) to the  
8 state treasurer who shall credit them to the fund in accordance with the  
9 provisions of subsection (1) of this section.

10 **27-68-106. [Formerly 27-1-306] Repeal of article.** This ~~part 3~~  
11 ARTICLE is repealed, effective July 1, 2010.

12 **ARTICLE 69**

13 **Integrated System of Care Family Advocacy**

14 **Demonstration Programs for Mental Health**

15 **Juvenile Justice Populations**

16 **27-69-101. [Formerly 26-22-101] Legislative declaration.**

17 (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

18 (a) Colorado families and youth have difficulties navigating the  
19 mental health, physical health, substance abuse, developmental  
20 disabilities, education, juvenile justice, child welfare, and other state and  
21 local systems that are compounded when the youth has a mental illness  
22 or co-occurring disorder;

23 (b) Preliminary research demonstrates that family advocates  
24 increase family and youth satisfaction, improve family participation, and  
25 improve services to help youth and families succeed and achieve positive  
26 outcomes. One preliminary study in Colorado found that the wide array  
27 of useful characteristics and valued roles performed by family advocates,

1 regardless of where they are located institutionally, provided evidence for  
2 continuing and expanding the use of family advocates in systems of care.

3 (c) Input from families, youth, and state and local community  
4 agency representatives in Colorado demonstrates that family advocates  
5 help families get the services and support they need and want, help  
6 families to better navigate complex state and local systems, improve  
7 family and youth outcomes, and help disengaged families and youth to  
8 become engaged families and youth;

9 (d) State and local agencies and systems need to develop more  
10 strengths-based, family-centered, individualized, culturally competent,  
11 and collaborative approaches that better meet the needs of families and  
12 youth;

13 (e) A family advocate helps state and local agencies and systems  
14 adopt more strengths-based-targeted programs, policies, and services to  
15 better meet the needs of families and their youth with mental illness or  
16 co-occurring disorders and improve outcomes for all, including families,  
17 youth, and the agencies they utilize;

18 (f) There is a need to demonstrate the success of family advocates  
19 in helping agencies and systems in Colorado to better meet the needs of  
20 families and youth and help state and local agencies strengthen programs.

21 (2) It is therefore in the state's best interest to establish  
22 demonstration programs for system of care family advocates for mental  
23 health juvenile justice populations who navigate across mental health,  
24 physical health, substance abuse, developmental disabilities, juvenile  
25 justice, education, child welfare, and other state and local systems to  
26 ensure sustained and thoughtful family participation in the planning  
27 processes of the care for their children and youth.

1           **27-69-102. [Formerly 26-22-102] Definitions.** As used in this  
2 article, unless the context otherwise requires:

3           (1) "Co-occurring disorders" means disorders that commonly  
4 coincide with mental illness and may include, but are not limited to,  
5 substance abuse, developmental disabilities, fetal alcohol syndrome, and  
6 traumatic brain injury.

7           (2) "Demonstration programs" means programs that are intended  
8 to exemplify and demonstrate evidence of the successful use of family  
9 advocates in assisting families and youth with mental illness or  
10 co-occurring disorders.

11           (3) "Division of criminal justice" means the division of criminal  
12 justice created in section 24-33.5-502, C.R.S., in the department of public  
13 safety.

14           ~~(4) "Division of mental health" means the unit within the~~  
15 ~~department of human services that is responsible for mental health~~  
16 ~~services.~~

17           ~~(5)~~ (4) "Family advocacy coalition" means a coalition of family  
18 advocates or family advocacy organizations working to help families and  
19 youth with mental health problems, substance abuse, developmental  
20 disabilities, and other co-occurring disorders to improve services and  
21 outcomes for youth and families and to work with and enhance state and  
22 local systems.

23           ~~(6)~~ (5) "Family advocate" means an individual who has been  
24 trained to assist families in accessing and receiving services and support.  
25 Family advocates are usually individuals who have raised or cared for  
26 children and youth with mental health or co-occurring disorders and have  
27 worked with multiple agencies and providers, including mental health,

1 physical health, substance abuse, juvenile justice, developmental  
2 disabilities, and other state and local systems of care.

3 ~~(7)~~ (6) "Legislative oversight committee" means the legislative  
4 oversight committee for the continuing examination of the treatment of  
5 persons with mental illness who are involved in the criminal and juvenile  
6 justice systems, created in section 18-1.9-103, C.R.S.

7 ~~(8)~~ (7) "Partnership" means a relationship between a family  
8 advocacy organization and another entity whereby the family advocacy  
9 organization works directly with another entity for oversight and  
10 management of the family advocate and family advocacy demonstration  
11 program, and the family advocacy organization employs, supervises,  
12 mentors, and provides training to the family advocate.

13 ~~(9)~~ (8) "System of care" means an integrated network of  
14 community-based services and support that is organized to meet the  
15 challenges of youth with complex needs, including, but not limited to, the  
16 need for substantial services to address areas of developmental, physical,  
17 and mental health, substance abuse, child welfare, and education and  
18 involvement in or being at risk of involvement with the juvenile justice  
19 system. In a system of care, families and youth work in partnership with  
20 public and private organizations to build on the strengths of individuals  
21 and to address each person's cultural and linguistic needs so services and  
22 support are effective.

23 ~~(10)~~ (9) "Task force" means the task force for the continuing  
24 examination of the treatment of persons with mental illness who are  
25 involved in the criminal and juvenile justice systems in Colorado, created  
26 in section 18-1.9-104, C.R.S.

27 (10) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN

1 SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND  
2 SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND  
3 SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

4 **27-69-103. [Formerly 26-22-103] Demonstration programs**  
5 **established.** There are hereby established demonstration programs for  
6 system of care family advocates for mental health juvenile justice  
7 populations that shall be implemented and monitored by the division of  
8 mental health UNIT, with input, cooperation, and support from the division  
9 of criminal justice, the task force, and family advocacy coalitions.

10 **27-69-104. [Formerly 26-22-104] Program scope.** (1) On or  
11 before September 1, 2007, the division of mental health UNIT, after  
12 consultation with family advocacy coalitions, the task force, and the  
13 division of criminal justice, shall develop a request for proposals to  
14 design demonstration programs for family advocacy programs that:

15 (a) Focus on youth with mental illness or co-occurring disorders  
16 who are involved in or at risk of involvement with the juvenile justice  
17 system and that are based upon the families' and youths' strengths; and

18 (b) Provide navigation, crisis response, integrated planning, and  
19 diversion from the juvenile justice system for youth with mental illness  
20 or co-occurring disorders.

21 (2) The division of mental health UNIT shall accept responses to  
22 the request for proposals from a partnership between a family advocacy  
23 organization and any of the following entities or individuals that operate  
24 or are developing a family advocacy program:

25 (a) A nonprofit entity;

26 (b) A governmental entity;

27 (c) A tribal government;

1 (d) An individual; or

2 (e) A group.

3 (3) The responses to the request for proposals shall include, but  
4 need not be limited to, the following information:

5 (a) Identification of the key stakeholders involved in the  
6 demonstration program to ensure consistent data points across all  
7 demonstration programs for consistent evaluation, which shall include a  
8 family advocacy organization and, at a minimum, representatives of the  
9 juvenile court, the probation department, the district attorney's office, the  
10 public defender's office, a school district, the division of youth  
11 corrections within the department of human services, a county department  
12 of social or human services, a local community mental health center, and  
13 a regional behavioral health organization, and may include representatives  
14 of a local law enforcement agency, a county public health department, a  
15 substance abuse program, a community centered board, a local juvenile  
16 services planning committee, and other community partners;

17 (b) Plans for identification of the targeted population, which shall  
18 include, at a minimum:

19 (I) A description of the targeted population and region to be  
20 served, including youth with mental illness or co-occurring disorders who  
21 are involved in or at risk of involvement with the juvenile justice system  
22 and other state and local systems; and

23 (II) A description of the specific population to be served that is  
24 flexible and defined by the local community;

25 (c) A plan for family advocates that includes:

26 (I) Experience and hiring requirements;

27 (II) The provision of appropriate training; and

- 1 (III) A definition of roles and responsibilities;
- 2 (d) A plan for family advocate program services for targeted youth  
3 and their families, including:
- 4 (I) Strengths, needs, and cultural assessment;
- 5 (II) Navigation and support services;
- 6 (III) Education programs related to mental illness, co-occurring  
7 disorders, the juvenile justice system, and other relevant systems;
- 8 (IV) Cooperative training programs for family advocates and for  
9 staff, where applicable, of mental health, physical health, substance  
10 abuse, developmental disabilities, education, child welfare, juvenile  
11 justice, and other state and local systems related to the role and  
12 partnership between the family advocates and the systems that affect  
13 youth and their family;
- 14 (V) Integrated crisis response services and crisis planning;
- 15 (VI) Access to diversion and other services to improve outcomes  
16 for youth and their families; and
- 17 (VII) Other services as determined by the local community;
- 18 (e) A plan for providing the data required by ~~section 26-22-105~~  
19 ~~(3)~~ SECTION 27-69-105 (3), plans for a comparison group, and plans for  
20 sustainability; and
- 21 (f) A commitment to participate in the cost of the demonstration  
22 program by allocating, as a group, any moneys available to the entity, by  
23 providing services to the program, or by a combination of moneys and  
24 services in an amount equal to twenty percent of the total cost necessary  
25 to operate the program.
- 26 (4) On or before November 15, 2007, the division of mental health  
27 UNIT, after consultation with family advocacy coalitions, the task force,

1 and the division of criminal justice, shall select three demonstration  
2 programs to deliver juvenile justice family advocacy services. The  
3 division of mental health UNIT shall base the selection on:

4 (a) The program's demonstration of collaborative partnerships that  
5 integrate family advocates into the systems of care;

6 (b) The program's ability to serve a sufficient population that will  
7 demonstrate the success of family advocacy programs; and

8 (c) Any other criteria set by the division of mental health UNIT.

9 (5) To ensure adequate geographic distribution, one of the  
10 selected demonstration programs shall operate in rural communities, one  
11 shall operate in urban communities, and one shall operate in suburban  
12 communities.

13 (6) The selected programs shall participate in the cost of the  
14 demonstration program by allocating, as a group, any moneys available  
15 to the entity, by providing services to the program, or by a combination  
16 of moneys and services in an amount equal to twenty percent of the total  
17 cost necessary to operate the program.

18 **27-69-105. [Formerly 26-22-105] Evaluation and reporting.**

19 (1) On or before January 1, 2008, the division of mental health UNIT shall  
20 prepare an initial descriptive report of the selected demonstration  
21 programs and provide the report to the legislative oversight committee,  
22 the task force, the family advocacy coalition, and the demonstration  
23 programs selected pursuant to ~~section 26-22-104 (4)~~ SECTION 27-69-104  
24 (4).

25 (2) The initial report shall include, but need not be limited to, the  
26 following factors:

27 (a) A description of the selected demonstration programs and the



1 entities working with the programs; and

2 (b) The number of families expected to be served.

3 (3) Each selected demonstration program shall regularly forward

4 the following data to the division of criminal justice:

5 (a) System utilization outcomes, including, but not limited to,

6 available data on services provided related to mental health, physical

7 health, juvenile justice, developmental disabilities, substance abuse, child

8 welfare, traumatic brain injuries, school services, and co-occurring

9 disorders;

10 (b) Youth and family outcomes, related to, but not limited to,

11 mental health, substance abuse, developmental disabilities, juvenile

12 justice, and traumatic brain injury issues;

13 (c) Family and youth satisfaction and assessment of family

14 advocates;

15 (d) Process and leadership outcomes, including, but not limited to,

16 measures of partnerships, service processes and practices among

17 partnering agencies, leadership indicators, and shared responses to

18 resources and outcomes; and

19 (e) Other outcomes, including, but not limited to, identification of

20 the cost avoidance or cost savings, if any, achieved by the demonstration

21 program, the applicable outcomes achieved, the transition services

22 provided, and the service utilization time frames.

23 (4) On or before January 15, 2009, and on or before January 15,

24 2010, the division of criminal justice shall submit a compilation of the

25 data provided pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, with an executive

26 summary, to the legislative oversight committee, the task force, family

27 advocacy coalitions, and the selected demonstration programs.



1 **Alcohol and Drug Abuse**

2 **27-80-101. [Formerly 25-1-201] Definitions.** As used in this  
3 ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE, unless the context otherwise requires:

4 ~~(1) (Deleted by amendment, L. 94, p. 1639, § 56, effective May~~  
5 ~~31, 1994.)~~

6 ~~(2)~~ (1) "Department" means the department of human services  
7 CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

8 ~~(2.5)~~ (2) "Designated service area" means the geographical  
9 substate planning area specified by the director of the division UNIT to be  
10 served by a designated managed service organization, as described in  
11 ~~section 25-1-206.5~~ SECTION 27-80-107.

12 ~~(3) "Division" means the division of alcohol and drug abuse.~~

13 ~~(3.5)~~ (3) "Executive director" means the executive director of the  
14 department of human services.

15 ~~(3.7)~~ (4) "Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder" or "FASD" means a  
16 continuum of permanent birth defects caused by maternal consumption  
17 of alcohol during pregnancy. "FASD" includes, but is not limited to, fetal  
18 alcohol syndrome.

19 ~~(4)~~ (5) "Public program" means a program concerning the  
20 problems of alcohol or drug abuse sponsored by a local or regional health  
21 department, county department of social services, court, probation  
22 department, law enforcement agency, school, school system, board of  
23 cooperative services, Indian tribal reservation, or state agency. "Public  
24 program" includes any alcohol or drug abuse treatment program required  
25 as a condition of probation under part 2 of article 11 of title 16, C.R.S.,  
26 any alcohol or drug abuse program administered by the division of adult  
27 parole under article 2 of title 17, C.R.S., any community correctional

1 facility or program administered under article 27 of title 17, C.R.S., and  
2 any alcohol or drug abuse treatment program administered by the division  
3 of youth corrections under title 19, C.R.S.

4 (6) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT  
5 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
6 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

7 ~~(5)~~ (7) "Vendor" means any bar, tavern, restaurant, or retail  
8 establishment licensed in the state of Colorado under articles 46 and 47  
9 of title 12, C.R.S., to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on or off  
10 the vendor's premises.

11 **27-80-102. [Formerly 25-1-202] Duties of the unit.** (1) The  
12 division UNIT shall formulate a comprehensive state plan for alcohol and  
13 drug abuse programs. The state plan shall be submitted to the governor  
14 and, upon his OR HER approval, shall be submitted to the appropriate  
15 United States agency for review and approval. The state plan shall  
16 include, but not be limited to:

17 (a) A survey of the need for the prevention and treatment of  
18 alcohol and drug abuse, including a survey of the health facilities needed  
19 to provide services and a plan for the development and distribution of  
20 facilities and programs throughout the state;

21 (b) A plan for programs to educate the public in the problems of  
22 alcohol and drug abuse;

23 (c) A survey of the need for trained teachers, health professionals,  
24 and others involved in the prevention and treatment of alcohol and drug  
25 abuse and the rehabilitation of abusers, and a plan to provide the  
26 necessary training for such persons;

27 (d) Provisions for the periodic review and updating of the state

1 plan, which shall take place at least annually.

2 (2) The department, acting by and through the division UNIT, is  
3 designated as the sole state agency for the supervision of the  
4 administration of the state plan.

5 **27-80-103. [Formerly 25-1-203] Grants for public programs.**

6 (1) The division UNIT may make grants, from funds appropriated by the  
7 general assembly for purposes of this section or available from any other  
8 governmental or private source, to approved public programs.

9 (2) A public program may provide, but need not be limited to, any  
10 of the following:

11 (a) Acute medical services, including emergency services and  
12 detoxification;

13 (b) Case finding, diagnosis, treatment, counseling, individual or  
14 group psychotherapy, after-care treatment, and other rehabilitation  
15 services;

16 (c) Education and counseling regarding the use and abuse of  
17 alcohol and drugs;

18 (d) Programs for prevention of alcohol and drug abuse;

19 (e) Training of teachers, health professionals, and others in the  
20 field of alcohol and drug abuse and addiction counseling;

21 (f) Coordination of existing services and the development of other  
22 needed services through demonstration and evaluation projects; OR

23 (g) Services to pregnant women who are alcohol and drug  
24 dependent through demonstration and evaluation projects.

25 (3) In approving any public program, the division UNIT shall take  
26 into consideration the following:

27 (a) The community need for the public program;

1 (b) The range of services to be provided;

2 (c) The integration of the public program with, and the  
3 participation of, other public and nongovernmental agencies,  
4 organizations, institutions, and individuals, and their services and  
5 facilities, if any, that are available to assist the public program;

6 (d) The adequacy of the public program to accomplish its  
7 purposes; AND

8 (e) Such other information as the division UNIT deems necessary.

9 (4) Applications for grants made under subsection (1) of this  
10 section shall be made to the division UNIT, on forms furnished by the  
11 division UNIT, and shall contain such information as the division UNIT  
12 may require. Wherever possible, the division UNIT shall give priority to  
13 those public programs which are community-based and include services  
14 to children and juveniles as well as adults, ~~which~~ THAT provide a  
15 comprehensive range of services, and ~~which~~ THAT evidence a high degree  
16 of community support, either financial or in the furnishing of services and  
17 facilities, or both.

18 (5) Whenever any department or agency of the state has moneys  
19 available from any source for public programs, such department or  
20 agency is authorized to distribute the moneys in accordance with the state  
21 plan and to make reasonable rules ~~and regulations~~ for the administration  
22 of such public programs.

23 **27-80-104. [Formerly 25-1-204] Cancellation of grants.**

24 (1) The division UNIT may cancel any grant for any public program for  
25 any of the following reasons:

26 (a) There is no longer a need for the public program.

27 (b) Funds for the public program are not available.

1 (c) The public program does not meet the standards or  
2 requirements adopted by the department or does not conform to the  
3 comprehensive state plan for alcohol and drug abuse programs.

4 (2) Before canceling a grant for the reasons set forth in ~~subsection~~  
5 ~~(1)-(c)~~ PARAGRAPH (c) OF SUBSECTION (1) of this section, the division  
6 UNIT shall notify the person or agency in charge of the public program of  
7 the deficiency in the program, and such person or agency shall be given  
8 a reasonable amount of time within which to correct the deficiency.

9 **27-80-105. [Formerly 25-1-205] Annual distribution of funds.**  
10 Funds for public programs shall be distributed annually, if available.

11 **27-80-106. [Formerly 25-1-206] Purchase of prevention and**  
12 **treatment services.** (1) Using funds appropriated for purposes of this  
13 section or available from any other governmental or private source, the  
14 division UNIT may purchase services for prevention or for treatment of  
15 alcohol and drug abuse or both types of services on a contract basis from  
16 any tribal nation or any public or private agency, organization, or  
17 institution approved by the division UNIT. The services purchased may be  
18 any of those which may be provided through a public program, as set  
19 forth in ~~section 25-1-203~~ (2) SECTION 27-80-103 (2). In contracting for  
20 services, the division UNIT shall attempt to obtain services that are in  
21 addition to, and not a duplication of, existing available services or  
22 services that are of a pilot or demonstration nature. Any agency operating  
23 a public program may also purchase such services on a contract basis.

24 (2)(a) In addition to the services purchased pursuant to subsection  
25 (1) of this section, using funds appropriated for purposes of this section  
26 or available from any other governmental or private source, the division  
27 UNIT may purchase services for the treatment of alcohol and drug abuse

1 on a contract basis from a designated managed service organization for  
2 a designated service area as set forth in ~~section 25-1-206.5~~ SECTION  
3 27-80-107. A public or private agency, organization, or institution  
4 approved by the division UNIT through the process set forth in ~~section~~  
5 ~~25-1-206.5~~ SECTION 27-80-107 may be designated as a designated  
6 managed service organization.

7 (b) Designated managed service organizations receiving funds  
8 pursuant to this subsection (2) shall comply with all relevant provisions  
9 of this ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE and the rules promulgated thereunder.

10 **27-80-107. [Formerly 25-1-206.5] Designation of managed**  
11 **service organizations - purchase of services - revocation of**

12 **designation.** (1) The director of the division UNIT shall establish  
13 designated service areas for the provision of treatment services for  
14 alcohol and drug abuse in a particular geographical region of the state.

15 (2) In order to be selected as a designated managed service  
16 organization to provide services in a particular designated service area,  
17 a private corporation, for profit or not for profit, or a public agency,  
18 organization, or institution shall apply to the division UNIT for such  
19 designation in the form and manner specified by the executive director or  
20 the executive director's designee. Such designation process shall be in  
21 lieu of a competitive bid process under the "Procurement Code", articles  
22 101 to 112 of title 24, C.R.S. The director of the division UNIT shall make  
23 the designation based on factors established by the executive director or  
24 the executive director's designee. The factors for designation established  
25 by the executive director or the executive director's designee shall  
26 include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

27 (a) Whether the managed service organization has experience



1 working with public treatment agencies and collaborating with other  
2 public agencies;

3 (b) Whether the managed service organization has experience  
4 working with publicly funded clients, including expertise in treating  
5 priority populations designated by the division UNIT;

6 (c) Whether the managed service organization has offices in and  
7 provides services in the substate planning area or is willing to relocate to  
8 the substate planning area;

9 (d) Whether the managed service organization has experience  
10 using the cost-share principles used by the division UNIT in its contracts  
11 with providers and is willing to cost-share;

12 (e) Whether the managed service organization has developed an  
13 effective, integrated information and fiscal reporting system and has  
14 experience working with and is able to comply with state and federal  
15 reporting requirements;

16 (f) Whether the managed service organization has experience  
17 engaging in a clinical quality improvement process; AND

18 (g) Whether the managed service organization has experience  
19 with public funding requirements and state contracting requirements.

20 (3) The designation of a managed service organization by the  
21 director of the division UNIT as described in subsection (2) of this section  
22 shall be considered an initial decision of the department which may be  
23 reviewed by the executive director in accordance with the provisions of  
24 section 24-4-105, C.R.S. Review by the executive director in accordance  
25 with section 24-4-105, C.R.S., shall constitute final agency action for  
26 purposes of judicial review.

27 (4) The terms and conditions for providing treatment services

1 shall be specified in the contract entered into between the division UNIT  
2 and the designated managed service organization.

3 (5) The contract may include a provisional designation for ninety  
4 days. At the conclusion of the ninety-day provisional period, the director  
5 of the division UNIT may choose to revoke the contract or, subject to  
6 meeting the terms and conditions specified in the contract, may choose to  
7 extend the contract for a stated time period.

8 (6) A managed service organization that is designated to serve a  
9 designated service area may subcontract with a network of service  
10 providers to provide treatment services for alcohol and drug abuse within  
11 the particular designated service area.

12 (7) (a) The director of the division UNIT may revoke the  
13 designation of a designated managed service organization upon a finding  
14 that the managed service organization is in violation of the performance  
15 of the provisions of this ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE or the rules promulgated  
16 thereunder. Such revocation shall conform to the provisions and  
17 procedures specified in article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., and shall be made  
18 only after notice and an opportunity for a hearing is provided as specified  
19 in that article. A hearing to revoke a designation as a designated managed  
20 service organization shall constitute final agency action for purposes of  
21 judicial review.

22 (b) Once a designation has been revoked pursuant to paragraph (a)  
23 of this subsection (7), the director of the division UNIT may designate one  
24 or more service providers to provide the treatment services pending  
25 designation of a new designated managed service organization or may  
26 enter into contracts with subcontractors to provide the treatment services.

27 (c) From time to time, the director of the division UNIT may solicit

1 applications from applicants for managed service organization  
2 designation to provide treatment services for a specified planning area or  
3 areas.

4 **27-80-108. [Formerly 25-1-207] Rules.** (1) The state board of  
5 human services, created in section 26-1-107, C.R.S., has the power to  
6 promulgate rules governing the provisions of this ~~part 2~~ ARTICLE. Such  
7 rules may include, but shall not be limited to:

8 (a) Requirements to be met in the operation of a public program,  
9 including record keeping and data compilation;

10 (b) Conditions that may be imposed on a public program in order  
11 for the program to maintain eligibility for a grant;

12 (c) Requirements for public and private agencies, organizations,  
13 and institutions from which the division UNIT may purchase services  
14 under ~~section 25-1-206 (1)~~ SECTION 27-80-106 (1);

15 ~~(c.5)~~ (d) Requirements for managed service organizations ~~which~~  
16 THAT are designated by the director of the division UNIT to provide  
17 services in a designated service area under ~~section 25-1-206 (2)~~ SECTION  
18 27-80-106 (2);

19 ~~(d)~~ (e) Standards that must be met by addiction counselors to  
20 participate in public programs or to provide purchased services and  
21 certification requirements necessary to be certified by the director of the  
22 division of registrations, pursuant to part 8 of article 43 of title 12, C.R.S.;

23 ~~(e)~~ (f) Any rules ~~or regulations which~~ THAT are necessary to carry  
24 out the purposes of the treatment program for high-risk pregnant women  
25 ~~which~~ THAT is created pursuant to ~~section 25-1-212~~ SECTION 27-80-112.

26 **27-80-109. [Formerly 25-1-209] Coordination of state and**  
27 **federal funds and programs.** (1) All requests for state appropriations

1 for alcohol and drug abuse programs shall be submitted to the division  
2 UNIT and the office of state planning and budgeting on dates specified by  
3 the division UNIT consistent with requirements and procedures of the  
4 office of state planning and budgeting. After studying each request, ~~and~~  
5 ~~the recommendations of the advisory council,~~ the division ~~THE UNIT~~ shall  
6 make a report thereon, with its comments and recommendations,  
7 including priorities for appropriations and a statement as to whether the  
8 requested appropriation would be consistent with the comprehensive state  
9 plan for alcohol and drug abuse programs. The reports of the division  
10 UNIT shall be submitted to the governor, the office of state planning and  
11 budgeting, and the joint budget committee, together with all pertinent  
12 material on which the recommendations of the division UNIT are based.

13 (2) The division UNIT shall also review applications for federal  
14 grants for alcohol and drug abuse programs submitted by any department  
15 or agency of state government, by any political subdivision of the state,  
16 by any Indian tribal reservation, or by any other public or private agency,  
17 organization, or institution. The division UNIT shall transmit to the  
18 division of planning and to the appropriate United States agency its  
19 comments and recommendations, together with a statement as to whether  
20 the grant would be consistent with the comprehensive state plan for  
21 alcohol and drug abuse programs.

22 **27-80-110. [Formerly 25-1-210] Reports.** The division UNIT  
23 shall submit a report not later than November 1 of each year to the ~~house~~  
24 ~~and senate committees on health, environment, welfare, and institutions~~  
25 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE  
26 OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, on the costs and  
27 effectiveness of alcohol and drug abuse programs in this state and on

1 recommended legislation in the field of alcohol and drug abuse.

2 **27-80-111. [Formerly 25-1-211] Counselor training - fund**

3 **created.** (1) The executive director of ~~the department of human services~~

4 shall establish by rule fees to be charged for addiction counselor training.

5 The amount assessed shall be sufficient to cover a portion of the costs of

6 administering such training, and the moneys collected therefor shall be

7 deposited in the addiction counselor training fund. Additional funding

8 may be obtained from general, cash, or federal funds otherwise

9 appropriated to the division UNIT.

10 (2) There is hereby created in the office of the state treasurer the

11 addiction counselor training fund. Moneys collected pursuant to

12 subsection (1) of this section shall be deposited in the fund. The moneys

13 in the fund shall be subject to annual appropriation by the general

14 assembly to the department of ~~human services~~ for allocation to the

15 division of ~~alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT for the administration of

16 addiction counselor training requirements established by rules of the state

17 board of human services pursuant to ~~section 25-1-207 (1) (d)~~ SECTION

18 27-80-108 (1) (e). Moneys in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall

19 remain in the fund and shall not revert to the general fund.

20 **27-80-112. [Formerly 25-1-212] Legislative declaration -**

21 **treatment program for high-risk pregnant women - creation.** (1) The

22 general assembly hereby finds and declares that the health and well-being

23 of the women of Colorado is at risk; that such women are at risk of poor

24 birth outcomes or physical and other disabilities due to substance abuse,

25 which is the abuse of alcohol and drugs, during the prenatal period; that

26 early identification of such high-risk pregnant women and substance

27 abuse treatment greatly reduce the occurrence of poor birth outcomes; and

1 that the citizens of Colorado will greatly benefit from a program to reduce  
2 poor birth outcomes and subsequent problems resulting from such poor  
3 birth outcomes in cases involving high-risk pregnant women through the  
4 cost savings envisioned by the prevention and early treatment of such  
5 problems.

6 (2) In recognition of such problems, there is hereby created a  
7 treatment program for high-risk pregnant women.

8 **27-80-113. [Formerly 25-1-213] Alcohol and drug and**  
9 **addiction counseling and treatment - necessary components.** Any  
10 entity that qualifies to provide services pursuant to section 25.5-5-202 (1)  
11 (r), C.R.S., in regard to the treatment program for high-risk pregnant  
12 women, shall make available, in addition to alcohol and drug and  
13 addiction counseling and treatment: Risk assessment services; care  
14 coordination; nutrition assessment; psychosocial counseling; intensive  
15 health education, including but not limited to parenting education and  
16 education on risk factors and appropriate health behaviors; home visits;  
17 transportation services; and other services deemed necessary by the  
18 division of alcohol and drug abuse of the department of human services  
19 UNIT and the department of health care policy and financing.

20 **27-80-114. [Formerly 25-1-214] Treatment program for**  
21 **high-risk pregnant women - cooperation with private entities.** The  
22 department of health care policy and financing shall cooperate with any  
23 private entities ~~which~~ THAT desire to assist ~~such~~ THE department OF  
24 HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING in the provision of services  
25 connected with the treatment program for high-risk pregnant women.  
26 Private entities may provide services ~~which~~ THAT are not provided to  
27 persons pursuant to the treatment program for high-risk pregnant women,

1 article 2 of title 26, C.R.S., and articles 4, 5, and 6 of title 25.5, C.R.S.,  
2 which may include, but shall not be limited to, needs assessment services,  
3 preventive services, rehabilitative services, care coordination, nutrition  
4 assessment, psychosocial counseling, intensive health education, home  
5 visits, transportation, development of provider training, child care, and  
6 other necessary components of residential or outpatient treatment or care.

7 **27-80-115. [Formerly 25-1-215] Treatment program for**  
8 **high-risk pregnant women - data collection.** The department of health  
9 care policy and financing shall create a data collection mechanism  
10 regarding persons receiving services pursuant to the treatment program  
11 for high-risk pregnant women, which shall include the collection of data  
12 on cost-effectiveness, success of the program, and other data ~~such~~ THE  
13 department OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING deems appropriate.

14 **27-80-116. [Formerly 25-1-216] Fetal alcohol spectrum**  
15 **disorders - legislative declaration - health warning signs - commission**  
16 **- repeal.** (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

17 (a) Fetal alcohol exposure is among the leading known causes of  
18 mental retardation and birth defects in the children of this state;

19 (b) Individuals with undiagnosed fetal alcohol exposure suffer  
20 substantially from secondary issues such as child abuse and neglect,  
21 separation from families, multiple foster placements, depression,  
22 aggression, school failure, juvenile detention, and job instability;

23 (c) These secondary disabilities come at a high cost to individuals,  
24 their families, and society; and

25 (d) A survey performed in 2006 by the Colorado pregnancy risk  
26 assessment system estimated that eleven and two-tenths percent of  
27 women in Colorado said that they drank alcohol during the last three

1 months of their pregnancy.

2 (2) The general assembly therefore declares that fetal alcohol  
3 exposure and its related problems can be reduced substantially by a  
4 greater awareness of the consequences of drinking alcohol while pregnant  
5 and by early diagnosis and receipt of appropriate and effective  
6 intervention.

7 (3) Each vendor licensed in Colorado to sell alcoholic beverages  
8 is hereby encouraged to post a health warning sign pursuant to paragraph  
9 (c) of subsection (4) of this section, informing patrons that the  
10 consumption of alcohol during pregnancy may cause birth defects,  
11 including fetal alcohol syndrome.

12 (4)(a) There is hereby created the fetal alcohol spectrum disorders  
13 commission, referred to in this section as the "commission". The  
14 commission is created as a temporary commission under section 22 of  
15 article IV of the state constitution. The commission shall be composed  
16 of no more than ten members. On or before August 30, 2009, the  
17 executive director, ~~of the department of human services,~~ in consultation  
18 with a nonprofit organization that works with FASD issues, shall appoint  
19 the commission members with the goal of selecting a broad representation  
20 of individuals working in the field of FASD. The commission shall  
21 include representation from the following areas and groups in any  
22 combination the executive director deems appropriate:

23 (I) Pediatrics;

24 (II) Family physicians;

25 (III) Child development programs that work with special needs  
26 children;

27 (IV) The department of public health and environment;



- 1 (V) The juvenile justice system;
- 2 (VI) Preschool, elementary, secondary, and higher education;
- 3 (VII) Parents, foster parents, or legal guardians of children
- 4 affected by FASD;
- 5 (VIII) The developmentally disabled community; and
- 6 (IX) Speech, language, and occupational therapy.

7 (b) The commission shall meet at least once on or before  
8 September 30, 2009. At its first meeting, the commission shall elect by  
9 a majority vote a chairperson from among the commission members who  
10 shall act as the presiding officer of the commission, determine a meeting  
11 schedule, and develop a list of priorities. Commission members shall  
12 serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses.

13 (c) On or before October 30, 2009, the commission shall develop  
14 a health warning sign for use by vendors and a plan for making the sign  
15 available on-line to vendors. At a minimum, the health warning sign shall  
16 read as follows:

17 HEALTH WARNING  
18 DRINKING ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DURING  
19 PREGNANCY MAY CAUSE BIRTH DEFECTS.

20 (d) On or before December 1, 2009, and as needed thereafter, the  
21 commission shall make recommendations to the division of the  
22 department that has authority for substance abuse and mental health  
23 community programs UNIT and to the health and human services  
24 committees of the senate and the house of representatives, or any  
25 successor committees. The commission's recommendations shall address  
26 the prevention of and education about FASD and any other FASD-related  
27 issues.

1 (e) This subsection (4) is repealed, effective June 30, 2012.

2 **27-80-117. [Formerly 25-1-217] Rural alcohol and substance**  
3 **abuse prevention and treatment program - creation - administration**  
4 **- definitions - cash fund - repeal.** (1) As used in this section, unless the  
5 context otherwise requires:

6 (a) "Program" means the rural alcohol and substance abuse  
7 prevention and treatment program created pursuant to subsection (2) of  
8 this section that shall consist of the rural youth alcohol and substance  
9 abuse prevention and treatment project and the rural detoxification  
10 project.

11 (b) "Rural area" means a county with a population of less than  
12 thirty thousand people, according to the most recently available  
13 population statistics of the United States bureau of the census.

14 (c) "Youth" means an individual who is at least eight years of age  
15 but who is less than eighteen years of age.

16 (2) (a) (I) There is hereby created the rural alcohol and substance  
17 abuse prevention and treatment program within the division UNIT to  
18 provide:

19 (A) Prevention and treatment services to youth in rural areas,  
20 which services may include but need not be limited to providing  
21 alternative activities for youth through the rural youth alcohol and  
22 substance abuse prevention and treatment project; and

23 (B) Treatment services to persons addicted to alcohol or drugs  
24 through the rural detoxification project.

25 (II) The division UNIT shall administer the program pursuant to  
26 rules adopted by the state board of human services as of January 1, 2010,  
27 or as amended by the state board thereafter.

1 (b) The division UNIT shall incorporate provisions to implement  
2 the program into its regular contracting mechanism for the purchase of  
3 prevention and treatment services pursuant to ~~section 25-1-206~~ SECTION  
4 27-80-106, including but not limited to detoxification programs. The  
5 division UNIT shall develop a method to equitably distribute and provide  
6 additional moneys through contracts to provide for prevention services  
7 for and treatment of persons in rural areas.

8 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary,  
9 the division UNIT shall implement the program on or after January 1,  
10 2011, subject to the availability of sufficient moneys to operate an  
11 effective program, as determined by the division UNIT.

12 (3) (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the rural  
13 alcohol and substance abuse cash fund, referred to in this section as the  
14 "fund", that shall consist of the rural youth alcohol and substance abuse  
15 prevention and treatment account, referred to in this section as the "youth  
16 account", and the rural detoxification account, referred to in this section  
17 as the "detoxification account". The fund shall be comprised of moneys  
18 collected from surcharges assessed pursuant to sections 18-19-103.5,  
19 42-4-1301 (7) (d) (IV), and 42-4-1701 (4) (f), C.R.S., which moneys shall  
20 be divided equally between the youth account and the detoxification  
21 account, and any moneys credited to the fund pursuant to paragraph (b)  
22 of this subsection (3), which moneys shall be divided equally between the  
23 youth account and the detoxification account unless the grantee or donor  
24 specifies to which account the grant, gift, or donation shall be credited.  
25 The moneys in the fund shall be subject to annual appropriation by the  
26 general assembly to the division UNIT for the purpose of implementing the  
27 program. All interest derived from the deposit and investment of moneys

1 in the fund shall remain in the fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered  
2 moneys remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall remain in  
3 the fund and shall not be transferred or credited to the general fund or  
4 another fund; except that any unexpended and unencumbered moneys  
5 remaining in the fund as of June 30, 2016, shall be credited to the general  
6 fund.

7 (b) The division UNIT is authorized to accept any grants, gifts, or  
8 donations from any private or public source on behalf of the state for the  
9 purpose of the program. The division UNIT shall transmit all private and  
10 public moneys received through grants, gifts, or donations to the state  
11 treasurer, who shall credit the same to the fund.

12 (4) (a) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2016.

13 (b) Prior to such repeal, the program shall be reviewed as  
14 provided in section 24-34-104, C.R.S.

## 15 **ARTICLE 81**

### 16 **Alcoholism and Intoxication Treatment**

17 **27-81-101. [Formerly 25-1-301] Legislative declaration.** (1) It  
18 is the policy of this state that alcoholics and intoxicated persons may not  
19 be subjected to criminal prosecution because of their consumption of  
20 alcoholic beverages but rather should be afforded a continuum of  
21 treatment in order that they may lead normal lives as productive members  
22 of society. The general assembly hereby finds and declares that  
23 alcoholism and intoxication are matters of statewide concern.

24 (2) With the passage of this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE at its first regular  
25 session in 1973, the forty-ninth general assembly has recognized the  
26 character and pervasiveness of alcohol abuse and alcoholism and that  
27 public intoxication and alcoholism are health problems ~~which~~ THAT

1 should be handled by public health rather than criminal procedures. The  
2 general assembly further finds and declares that no other health problem  
3 has been so seriously neglected and that, while the costs of dealing with  
4 the problem are burdensome, the social and economic costs and the waste  
5 of human resources caused by alcohol abuse and alcoholism are massive,  
6 tragic, and no longer acceptable. The general assembly believes that the  
7 best interests of this state demand an across-the-board locally oriented  
8 attack on the massive alcohol abuse and alcoholism problem and that this  
9 ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE will provide a base from which to launch the attack and  
10 reduce the tragic human loss, but only if adequately funded. Therefore,  
11 in response to the needs as determined by an ad hoc committee and to  
12 assist in the implementation of this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE at both the local and  
13 state level, the general assembly hereby appropriates moneys for:  
14 Receiving and screening centers and their staffs; medical detoxification;  
15 intensive treatment; halfway house care; outpatient rehabilitative therapy;  
16 orientation, education, and in-service training; division staff for the  
17 administration, monitoring, and evaluation of the program; and operating  
18 costs for patient transportation.

19 **27-81-102. [Formerly 25-1-302] Definitions.** As used in this  
20 ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE, unless the context otherwise requires:

21 (1) "Alcoholic" means a person who habitually lacks self-control  
22 as to the use of alcoholic beverages or uses alcoholic beverages to the  
23 extent that his OR HER health is substantially impaired or endangered or  
24 his OR HER social or economic function is substantially disrupted.  
25 Nothing in this subsection (1) shall preclude the denomination of an  
26 alcoholic as intoxicated by alcohol or incapacitated by alcohol.

27 (2) "Approved private treatment facility" means a private agency

1 meeting the standards prescribed in ~~section 25-1-306 (1)~~ SECTION  
2 27-81-106 (1) and approved under ~~section 25-1-306~~ SECTION 27-81-106.

3 (3) "Approved public treatment facility" means a treatment agency  
4 operating under the direction and control of or approved by the division  
5 ~~of alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT or providing treatment under this article  
6 through a contract with the division UNIT under ~~section 25-1-305 (7)~~  
7 SECTION 27-81-105 (7) and meeting the standards prescribed in ~~section~~  
8 ~~25-1-306 (1)~~ SECTION 27-81-106 (1) and approved under ~~section 25-1-306~~  
9 SECTION 27-81-106.

10 ~~(3.6)~~ (4) "Court" means the district court in the county in which  
11 the person named in a petition filed pursuant to this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE  
12 resides or is physically present. In the city and county of Denver, "court"  
13 means the probate court.

14 ~~(4)~~ (5) "Department" means the department of human services  
15 services CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

16 ~~(5)~~ (6) "Director" means the director of the division of alcohol and  
17 drug abuse UNIT.

18 ~~(6)~~ "Division" means the division of alcohol and drug abuse  
19 within the department.

20 ~~(7)~~ "Emergency service patrol" means a patrol established under  
21 ~~section 25-1-314~~ SECTION 27-81-115.

22 ~~(8)~~ "Executive director" means the executive director of the  
23 department.

24 ~~(9)~~ "Incapacitated by alcohol" means that a person, as a result of  
25 the use of alcohol, is unconscious, ~~or~~ has his OR HER judgment otherwise  
26 so impaired that he OR SHE is incapable of realizing and making a rational  
27 decision with respect to his OR HER need for treatment, ~~or~~ is unable to

1 take care of his OR HER basic personal needs or safety, or lacks sufficient  
2 understanding or capacity to make or communicate rational decisions  
3 concerning his person ABOUT HIMSELF OR HERSELF.

4 (10) "Incompetent person" means a person who has been  
5 adjudged incompetent by the district court.

6 (11) "Intoxicated person" or "person intoxicated by alcohol"  
7 means any A person whose mental or physical functioning is temporarily  
8 but substantially impaired as a result of the presence of alcohol in the HIS  
9 OR HER body.

10 (12) "Licensed physician" means either a physician licensed by  
11 the state of Colorado or a hospital-licensed physician employed by the  
12 admitting facility.

13 (13) "Minor" means a person under the age of eighteen years.

14 (14) "Treatment" means the broad range of emergency,  
15 outpatient, intermediate, and inpatient services and care, including  
16 diagnostic evaluation, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social  
17 service care, vocational rehabilitation, and career counseling, ~~which~~ THAT  
18 may be extended to alcoholics and intoxicated persons.

19 (15) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT  
20 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
21 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

22 **27-81-103. [Formerly 25-1-303] Powers of the unit.** (1) To  
23 carry out the purposes of this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE, the division UNIT may:

24 (a) Plan, establish, and maintain treatment programs as necessary  
25 or desirable;

26 (b) Make contracts necessary or incidental to the performance of  
27 its duties and the execution of its powers, including contracts with public

1 and private agencies, organizations, and individuals to pay them for  
2 services rendered or furnished to alcoholics or intoxicated persons;

3 (c) Solicit and accept for use any gift of money or property made  
4 by will or otherwise and any grant of money, services, or property from  
5 the federal government, the state, or any political subdivision thereof or  
6 any private source, and do all things necessary to cooperate with the  
7 federal government or any of its agencies in making an application for  
8 any grant;

9 (d) Administer or supervise the administration of the provisions  
10 relating to alcoholics and intoxicated persons of any state plan submitted  
11 for federal funding pursuant to federal health, welfare, or treatment  
12 legislation;

13 (e) Coordinate its activities and cooperate with alcoholism  
14 programs in this state and other states and make contracts and other joint  
15 or cooperative arrangements with state, local, or private agencies in this  
16 state and other states for the treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated  
17 persons and for the common advancement of alcoholism programs;

18 (f) Keep records and engage in research and the gathering of  
19 relevant statistics;

20 (g) Do other acts and things necessary or convenient to execute  
21 the authority expressly granted to it; AND

22 (h) Acquire, hold, or dispose of real property, or any interest  
23 therein, and construct, lease, or otherwise provide treatment facilities for  
24 alcoholics and intoxicated persons.

25 **27-81-104. [Formerly 25-1-304] Duties of the unit - review.**

26 (1) In addition to duties prescribed by ~~section 25-1-202~~ SECTION  
27 27-80-102, the division UNIT shall:



1 (a) Develop, encourage, and foster statewide, regional, and local  
2 plans and programs for the prevention of alcoholism and treatment of  
3 alcoholics and intoxicated persons in cooperation with public and private  
4 agencies, organizations, and individuals and provide technical assistance  
5 and consultation services for these purposes;

6 (b) Coordinate the efforts and enlist the assistance of all public  
7 and private agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in  
8 prevention of alcoholism and treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated  
9 persons;

10 (c) Utilize community mental health centers and clinics whenever  
11 feasible;

12 (d) Cooperate with the department of corrections in establishing  
13 and conducting programs for the prevention of alcoholism and treatment  
14 of alcoholics and intoxicated persons in appropriate agencies and  
15 institutions and for alcoholics and intoxicated persons in or on parole  
16 from correctional institutions and in carrying out duties specified under  
17 paragraphs (i) and (k) of this subsection (1);

18 (e) Cooperate with the department of education, schools, police  
19 departments, courts, and other public and private agencies, organizations,  
20 and individuals in establishing programs for the prevention of alcoholism  
21 and treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons and preparing  
22 curriculum materials thereon for use at all levels of school education;

23 (f) Prepare, publish, evaluate, and disseminate educational  
24 material dealing with the nature and effects of alcohol;

25 (g) Develop and implement, as an integral part of treatment  
26 programs, an educational program for use in the treatment of alcoholics  
27 and intoxicated persons, which program shall include the dissemination

1 of information concerning the nature and effects of alcohol;

2 (h) Organize and foster training programs for all persons engaged  
3 in treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons;

4 (i) Sponsor and encourage research into the causes and nature of  
5 alcoholism and treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons and serve  
6 as a clearinghouse for information relating to alcoholism;

7 (j) Specify uniform methods for keeping statistical information by  
8 public and private agencies, organizations, and individuals and collect  
9 and make available relevant statistical information, including number of  
10 persons treated, frequency of admission and readmission, and frequency  
11 and duration of treatment;

12 (k) Advise the governor in the preparation of a comprehensive  
13 plan for treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons for inclusion in  
14 the state's comprehensive health plan;

15 (l) Review all state health, welfare, and treatment plans to be  
16 submitted for federal funding under federal legislation and advise the  
17 governor on provisions to be included relating to alcoholism and  
18 intoxicated persons;

19 (m) Assist in the development of, and cooperate with, alcohol  
20 education and treatment programs for employees of state and local  
21 governments and businesses and industries in this state;

22 (n) Utilize the support and assistance of interested persons in the  
23 community, particularly recovered alcoholics, to encourage alcoholics  
24 voluntarily to undergo treatment;

25 (o) Cooperate with the department of transportation in  
26 establishing and conducting programs designed to deal with the problem  
27 of persons operating motor vehicles while under the influence of, or

1 impaired by, alcohol;

2 (p) Encourage general hospitals and other appropriate health  
3 facilities to admit without discrimination alcoholics and intoxicated  
4 persons and to provide them with adequate and appropriate treatment;

5 (q) Encourage all health and disability insurance programs to  
6 include alcoholism as a covered illness; AND

7 (r) Submit to the governor an annual report covering the activities  
8 of the division UNIT.

9 **27-81-105. [Formerly 25-1-305] Comprehensive program for**  
10 **treatment - regional facilities.** (1) The division, ~~with the advice and~~  
11 ~~recommendations of the advisory council pursuant to section 25-1-208,~~  
12 UNIT shall establish a comprehensive and coordinated program for the  
13 treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons.

14 (2) Insofar as funds available to the division UNIT will permit, the  
15 program ~~of the division~~ ESTABLISHED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION  
16 shall include all of the following:

17 (a) Emergency treatment;

18 (b) Inpatient treatment;

19 (c) Intermediate treatment; AND

20 (d) Outpatient and follow-up treatment.

21 (3) The division UNIT shall provide for adequate and appropriate  
22 treatment for alcoholics and intoxicated persons admitted under ~~sections~~  
23 ~~25-1-308 to 25-1-311~~ SECTIONS 27-81-109 TO 27-81-112. Except as  
24 otherwise provided in ~~section 25-1-310~~ SECTION 27-81-111, treatment  
25 may not be provided at a correctional institution except for inmates.

26 (4) The division UNIT shall maintain, supervise, and control all  
27 facilities operated by it subject to policies of the department. The

1 administrator of each facility shall make an annual report of its activities  
2 to the director in the form and manner the director specifies.

3 (5) All appropriate public and private resources shall be  
4 coordinated with and utilized in the program if possible.

5 (6) The director shall prepare, publish, and distribute annually a  
6 list of all approved public and private treatment facilities.

7 (7) The division UNIT may contract for the use of any facility as  
8 an approved public treatment facility if the director, subject to the policies  
9 of the department, considers this to be an effective and economical course  
10 to follow.

11 **27-81-106. [Formerly 25-1-306] Standards for public and**  
12 **private treatment facilities - fees - enforcement procedures -**

13 **penalties.** (1) In accordance with the provisions of this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE,  
14 the division UNIT shall establish standards for approved treatment  
15 facilities that receive public funds. ~~Such~~ THE standards ~~must~~ SHALL be  
16 met for a treatment facility to be approved as a public or private treatment  
17 facility. The division UNIT shall fix the fees to be charged for the required  
18 inspections. The fees that are charged to approved treatment facilities  
19 that provide level I and level II programs as provided in section  
20 42-4-1301.3 (3) (c), C.R.S., shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who  
21 shall credit the fees to the alcohol and drug driving safety program fund  
22 created in section 42-4-1301.3 (4) (a), C.R.S. The standards may concern  
23 only the health standards to be met and standards of treatment to be  
24 afforded patients and shall reflect the success criteria established by the  
25 general assembly.

26 (2) The division UNIT periodically shall inspect approved public  
27 and private treatment facilities at reasonable times and in a reasonable

1 manner.

2 (3) The division UNIT shall maintain a list of approved public and  
3 private treatment facilities.

4 (4) Each approved public and private treatment facility shall file  
5 with the division UNIT, on request, data, statistics, schedules, and  
6 information the division UNIT reasonably requires. An approved public  
7 or private treatment facility that fails without good cause to furnish any  
8 data, statistics, schedules, or information, as requested, or files fraudulent  
9 returns thereof shall be removed from the list of approved treatment  
10 facilities.

11 (5) The division UNIT, after hearing, may suspend, revoke, limit,  
12 restrict, or refuse to grant an approval for failure to meet its standards.

13 (6) The district court may restrain any violation of, review any  
14 denial, restriction, or revocation of approval under, and grant other relief  
15 required to enforce the provisions of this section.

16 (7) Upon petition of the division UNIT and after a hearing held  
17 upon reasonable notice to the facility, the district court may issue a  
18 warrant to an officer or employee of the division UNIT authorizing him OR  
19 HER to enter and inspect at reasonable times, and examine the books and  
20 accounts of, any approved public or private treatment facility refusing to  
21 consent to inspection or examination by the division UNIT or which the  
22 division UNIT has reasonable cause to believe is operating in violation of  
23 this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE.

24 **27-81-107. [Formerly 25-1-306.5] Compliance with local**  
25 **government zoning regulations - notice to local governments -**  
26 **provisional approval.** (1) The division UNIT shall require any  
27 residential treatment facility seeking approval as a public or private

1 treatment facility pursuant to this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE to comply with any  
2 applicable zoning regulations of the municipality, city and county, or  
3 county where the facility is situated. Failure to comply with applicable  
4 zoning regulations shall constitute grounds for the denial of approval of  
5 a facility.

6 (2) The division UNIT shall assure that timely written notice is  
7 provided to the municipality, city and county, or county where a  
8 residential treatment facility is situated, including the address of the  
9 facility and the population and number of persons to be served by the  
10 facility, when any of the following occurs:

11 (a) An application for approval of a residential treatment facility  
12 pursuant to ~~section 25-1-306~~ SECTION 27-81-106 is made;

13 (b) Approval is granted to a residential treatment facility pursuant  
14 to ~~section 25-1-306~~ SECTION 27-81-106;

15 (c) A change in the approval of a residential treatment facility  
16 occurs; or

17 (d) The approval of a residential treatment facility is revoked or  
18 otherwise terminated for any reason.

19 (3) In the event of a zoning or other delay or dispute between a  
20 residential treatment facility and the municipality, city and county, or  
21 county where the facility is situated, the division UNIT may grant  
22 provisional approval of the facility for up to one hundred twenty days  
23 pending resolution of the delay or dispute.

24 **27-81-108. [Formerly 25-1-307] Acceptance for treatment -**  
25 **rules.** (1) The director shall adopt and may amend and repeal rules for  
26 acceptance of persons into the treatment program, considering available  
27 treatment resources and facilities, for the purpose of early and effective

1 treatment of alcoholics and intoxicated persons. In establishing the rules  
2 the director shall be guided by the following standards:

3 (a) If possible a patient shall be treated on a voluntary rather than  
4 an involuntary basis.

5 (b) A patient shall be initially assigned or transferred to outpatient  
6 or intermediate treatment, unless he OR SHE is found to require inpatient  
7 treatment.

8 (c) A person shall not be denied treatment solely because he OR  
9 SHE has withdrawn from treatment against medical advice on a prior  
10 occasion or because he OR SHE has relapsed after earlier treatment.

11 (d) An individualized treatment plan shall be prepared and  
12 maintained on a current basis for each patient.

13 (e) Provision shall be made for a continuum of coordinated  
14 treatment services, so that a person who leaves a facility or a form of  
15 treatment will have available and utilize other appropriate treatment.

16 **27-81-109. [Formerly 25-1-308] Voluntary treatment of**  
17 **alcoholics.** (1) An alcoholic, including a minor, may apply for voluntary  
18 treatment directly to an approved treatment facility.

19 (2) Subject to rules adopted by the director, the administrator in  
20 charge of an approved treatment facility may determine who shall be  
21 admitted for treatment. If a person is refused admission to an approved  
22 treatment facility, the administrator shall refer the person to another  
23 approved treatment facility for treatment if possible and appropriate.

24 (3) If a patient receiving inpatient care leaves an approved  
25 treatment facility, he OR SHE shall be encouraged to consent to appropriate  
26 outpatient or intermediate treatment. If it appears to the administrator in  
27 charge of the treatment facility that the patient is an alcoholic and requires

1 help, the administrator may arrange for assistance in obtaining supportive  
2 services and residential facilities.

3 **27-81-110. [Formerly 25-1-309] Voluntary treatment for**  
4 **intoxicated persons and persons incapacitated by alcohol.** (1) An  
5 intoxicated person or person intoxicated or incapacitated by alcohol,  
6 including a minor, may voluntarily admit himself OR HERSELF to an  
7 approved treatment facility for emergency treatment.

8 (2) A person who comes voluntarily to an approved treatment  
9 facility shall be evaluated or examined by the facility administrator or by  
10 his OR HER authorized designee immediately. A person found to be in  
11 need of treatment shall then be admitted or referred to another appropriate  
12 facility. If a person is found not to be in need of treatment, he OR SHE  
13 shall be released or referred to another appropriate facility.

14 (3) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, a  
15 voluntarily admitted person shall be released from the approved treatment  
16 facility immediately upon his OR HER request.

17 (4) A person who is not admitted to an approved treatment  
18 facility, and who is not referred to another health facility, and who has no  
19 funds may be taken to his OR HER home, if any. If he OR SHE has no  
20 home, the approved treatment facility may assist him OR HER in obtaining  
21 shelter.

22 (5) If a person is admitted to an approved treatment facility, his OR  
23 HER family or next of kin shall be notified as promptly as possible. If an  
24 adult person requests that there be no notification, his OR HER request  
25 shall be respected.

26 (6) If the administrator in charge of the approved treatment  
27 facility or his OR HER authorized designee determines that it is for the



1 person's benefit, the person shall be encouraged to agree to further  
2 diagnosis and appropriate voluntary treatment.

3 (7) Nothing in this section shall preclude the approved treatment  
4 facility administrator or his OR HER authorized designee from seeking  
5 emergency commitment OF A PERSON as provided in ~~section 25-1-310~~  
6 SECTION 27-81-111 or involuntary commitment OF A PERSON as provided  
7 in ~~section 25-1-311~~ SECTION 27-81-112, regardless of whether such  
8 person has been voluntarily admitted under this section. In such cases,  
9 the ~~administrator~~ ADMINISTRATOR'S or designee's further conduct shall be  
10 governed by ~~section 25-1-310 or 25-1-311~~ SECTION 27-81-111 OR  
11 27-81-112, as applicable.

12 **27-81-111. [Formerly 25-1-310] Emergency commitment.**

13 (1) (a) When ~~any~~ A person is intoxicated or incapacitated by alcohol and  
14 clearly dangerous to the health and safety of himself, herself, or others,  
15 ~~such person~~ HE OR SHE shall be taken into protective custody by law  
16 enforcement authorities or an emergency service patrol, acting with  
17 probable cause, and placed in an approved treatment facility. If no such  
18 facilities are available, he or she may be detained in an emergency  
19 medical facility or jail, but only for so long as may be necessary to  
20 prevent injury to himself, herself, or others or to prevent a breach of the  
21 peace. If the person being detained is a juvenile, as defined in section  
22 19-1-103 (68), C.R.S., the juvenile shall be placed in a setting that is  
23 nonsecure and physically segregated by sight and sound from the adult  
24 offenders. A law enforcement officer or emergency service patrol officer,  
25 in detaining the person, is taking him or her into protective custody. In  
26 so doing, the detaining officer may protect himself or herself by  
27 reasonable methods but shall make every reasonable effort to protect the

1 detainee's health and safety. A taking into protective custody under this  
2 section is not an arrest, and no entry or other record shall be made to  
3 indicate that the person has been arrested or charged with a crime. Law  
4 enforcement or emergency service personnel who act in compliance with  
5 this section are acting in the course of their official duties and are not  
6 criminally or civilly liable therefor. Nothing in this subsection (1) shall  
7 preclude an intoxicated or incapacitated person who is not dangerous to  
8 the health and safety of himself, herself, or others from being assisted to  
9 his or her home or like location by the law enforcement officer or  
10 emergency service patrol officer.

11 (b) A sheriff or police chief who violates the provisions of  
12 paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) related to detaining juveniles may be  
13 subject to a civil fine of no more than one thousand dollars. The decision  
14 to fine shall be based on prior violations of the provisions of paragraph  
15 (a) of this subsection (1) by the sheriff or police chief and the willingness  
16 of the sheriff or police chief to address the violations in order to comply  
17 with paragraph (a) of this subsection (1).

18 (2) A law enforcement officer, emergency service patrolman,  
19 physician, spouse, guardian, or relative of the person to be committed or  
20 any other responsible person may make a written application for  
21 emergency commitment under this section, directed to the administrator  
22 of the approved treatment facility. The application shall state the  
23 circumstances requiring emergency commitment, including the applicant's  
24 personal observations and the specific statements of others, if any, upon  
25 which he OR SHE relies in making the application. A copy of the  
26 application shall be furnished to the person to be committed.

27 (3) If the approved treatment facility administrator or his or her

1 authorized designee approves the application, the person shall be  
2 committed, evaluated, and treated for a period not to exceed five days.  
3 The person shall be brought to the facility by a peace officer, the  
4 emergency service patrol, or any interested person. If necessary, the court  
5 may be contacted to issue an order to the police, the peace officer's  
6 department, or the sheriff's department to transport the person to the  
7 facility.

8 (4) If the approved treatment facility administrator or his OR HER  
9 authorized designee determines that the application fails to sustain the  
10 grounds for emergency commitment as set forth in subsection (1) of this  
11 section, the commitment shall be refused and the person detained  
12 immediately released, and the person shall be encouraged to seek  
13 voluntary treatment if appropriate.

14 (5) When the administrator determines that the grounds for  
15 commitment no longer exist, he OR SHE shall discharge the person  
16 committed under this section. ~~No~~ A person committed under this section  
17 may NOT be detained in any treatment facility for more than five days;  
18 except that a person may be detained for longer than five days at the  
19 approved treatment facility if, in that period of time, a petition for  
20 involuntary commitment has been filed pursuant to ~~section 25-1-311~~  
21 SECTION 27-81-112. A person may not be detained longer than ten days  
22 after the date of filing of the petition for involuntary commitment.

23 (6) Whenever a person is involuntarily detained pursuant to this  
24 section, he OR SHE shall immediately be advised by the facility  
25 administrator or his OR HER authorized designee, both orally and in  
26 writing, of his OR HER right to challenge such detention by application to  
27 the courts for a writ of habeas corpus, to be represented by counsel at

1 every stage of any proceedings relating to his OR HER commitment and  
2 recommitment, and to have counsel appointed by the court or provided by  
3 the court if he OR SHE wants the assistance of counsel and is unable to  
4 obtain counsel.

5 **27-81-112. [Formerly 25-1-311] Involuntary commitment of**  
6 **alcoholics.** (1) A person may be committed to the custody of the  
7 division UNIT by the court upon the petition of the person's spouse or  
8 guardian, a relative, a physician, an advanced practice nurse, the  
9 administrator in charge of any approved treatment facility, or any other  
10 responsible person. The petition shall allege that the person is an  
11 alcoholic and that the person has threatened or attempted to inflict or  
12 inflicted physical harm on himself or herself or on another and that unless  
13 committed the person is likely to inflict physical harm on himself or  
14 herself or on another or that the person is incapacitated by alcohol. A  
15 refusal to undergo treatment does not constitute evidence of lack of  
16 judgment as to the need for treatment. The petition shall be accompanied  
17 by a certificate of a licensed physician who has examined the person  
18 within two days before submission of the petition, unless the person  
19 whose commitment is sought has refused to submit to a medical  
20 examination, in which case the fact of refusal shall be alleged in the  
21 petition. The certificate shall set forth the physician's findings in support  
22 of the allegations of the petition.

23 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) A petition submitted pursuant to subsection (1) of this  
24 section shall not be accepted unless there is documentation of the refusal  
25 by the person to be committed to accessible and affordable voluntary  
26 treatment. ~~Such~~ THE documentation may include, but shall not be limited  
27 to, ~~physicians' statements, advanced practice nurses' statements, notations~~

1 ~~in the person's medical or law enforcement records, or witnesses'~~  
2 ~~statements~~ NOTATIONS IN THE PERSON'S MEDICAL OR LAW ENFORCEMENT  
3 RECORDS OR STATEMENTS BY A PHYSICIAN, ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE,  
4 OR WITNESS.

5 (2) (3) Upon the filing of the petition, the court shall fix a date for  
6 a hearing no later than ten days after the date the petition was filed. A  
7 copy of the petition and of the notice of the hearing, including the date  
8 fixed by the court, shall be personally served on the petitioner, the person  
9 whose commitment is sought, and one of his OR HER parents or his OR  
10 HER legal guardian if he OR SHE is a minor. A copy of the petition and  
11 notice of hearing shall be mailed to the ~~division of alcohol and drug~~  
12 ~~abuse, UNIT,~~ to counsel for the person whose commitment is sought, to  
13 the administrator in charge of the approved treatment facility to which the  
14 person may have been committed for emergency treatment, and to any  
15 other person the court believes advisable.

16 (3) (4) At the hearing, the court shall hear all relevant testimony,  
17 including, if possible, the testimony of at least one licensed physician who  
18 has examined the person whose commitment is sought. The person shall  
19 be present unless the court believes that the person's presence is likely to  
20 be injurious to the person; in this event, the court shall appoint a guardian  
21 ad litem to represent the person throughout the proceeding. If the person  
22 has refused to be examined by a licensed physician, he or she shall be  
23 given an opportunity to be examined by a court-appointed licensed  
24 physician. If the person refuses and there is sufficient evidence to believe  
25 that the allegations of the petition are true or if the court believes that  
26 more medical evidence is necessary, the court may commit the person to  
27 a licensed hospital for a period of not more than five days for a diagnostic

1 examination. In such event, the court shall schedule a further hearing for  
2 final determination of commitment, in no event later than five days after  
3 the first hearing.

4 ~~(4)~~ (5) If after hearing all relevant evidence, including the results  
5 of any diagnostic examination by the licensed hospital, the court finds  
6 that grounds for involuntary commitment have been established by clear  
7 and convincing proof, it shall make an order of commitment to the  
8 ~~division. The division~~ UNIT. THE UNIT shall have the right to delegate  
9 physical custody of the person to an appropriate approved treatment  
10 facility. It may not order commitment of a person unless it determines  
11 that the division UNIT is able to provide adequate and appropriate  
12 treatment for him OR HER, and the treatment is likely to be beneficial.

13 ~~(4.5)~~ (6) Upon the commitment of a person to the division UNIT  
14 by the court, the court may issue an order to the sheriff to transport the  
15 person committed to the facility designated by the division UNIT.

16 ~~(5)~~ (7) A person committed as provided in this section shall  
17 remain in the custody of the division UNIT for treatment for a period of  
18 thirty days unless sooner discharged. At the end of the thirty-day period,  
19 he OR SHE shall be discharged automatically unless the division UNIT,  
20 before expiration of the period, obtains a court order for his OR HER  
21 recommitment upon the grounds set forth in subsection (1) of this section  
22 for a further period of ninety days unless sooner discharged. If a person  
23 has been committed because he OR SHE is an alcoholic likely to inflict  
24 physical harm on another, the division UNIT shall apply for recommitment  
25 if after examination it is determined that the likelihood still exists.

26 ~~(6)~~ (8) A person recommitment as provided in ~~subsection (5)~~  
27 SUBSECTION (7) of this section who has not been discharged by the

1 division UNIT before the end of the ninety-day period shall be discharged  
2 at the expiration of that period unless the division UNIT, before expiration  
3 of the period, obtains a court order on the grounds set forth in subsection  
4 (1) of this section for recommitment for a further period not to exceed  
5 ninety days. If a person has been committed because he OR SHE is an  
6 alcoholic likely to inflict physical harm on another, the division UNIT shall  
7 apply for recommitment if after examination it is determined that the  
8 likelihood still exists. Only two recommitment orders under ~~subsection~~  
9 ~~(5)~~ SUBSECTION (7) of this section and this ~~subsection (6)~~ SUBSECTION (8)  
10 are permitted.

11 ~~(7)~~ (9) Upon the filing of a petition for recommitment under  
12 ~~subsections (5) and (6)~~ SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (8) of this section, the court  
13 shall fix a date for hearing no later than ten days after the date the petition  
14 was filed. A copy of the petition and of the notice of hearing shall be  
15 served and mailed as required in ~~subsection (2)~~ SUBSECTION (3) of this  
16 section. At the hearing, the court shall proceed as provided in ~~subsection~~  
17 ~~(3)~~ SUBSECTION (4) of this section.

18 ~~(8)~~ (10) The division UNIT shall provide for adequate and  
19 appropriate treatment of a person committed to its custody. The division  
20 UNIT may transfer any person committed to its custody from one approved  
21 treatment facility to another if transfer is advisable.

22 ~~(9)~~ (11) A person committed to the custody of the division UNIT  
23 for treatment shall be discharged at any time before the end of the period  
24 for which he OR SHE has been committed if either of the following  
25 conditions is met:

26 (a) In THE case of an alcoholic committed on the grounds that he  
27 OR SHE is likely to inflict physical harm upon another, that he OR SHE no

1 longer has an alcoholic condition ~~which~~ THAT requires treatment or the  
2 likelihood no longer exists; or

3 (b) In THE case of an alcoholic committed on the grounds of the  
4 need of treatment and incapacity, that the incapacity no longer exists,  
5 further treatment will not be likely to bring about significant improvement  
6 in the person's condition, or treatment is no longer appropriate.

7 ~~(10)~~ (12) The court shall inform the person whose commitment or  
8 recommitment is sought of his or her right to contest the application, to  
9 be represented by counsel at every stage of any proceedings relating to the  
10 person's commitment and recommitment, and to have counsel appointed  
11 by the court or provided by the court if he or she wants the assistance of  
12 counsel and is unable to obtain counsel. If the court believes that the  
13 person needs the assistance of counsel, the court shall require, by  
14 appointment if necessary, counsel for the person regardless of his or her  
15 wishes. The person whose commitment or recommitment is sought shall  
16 be informed of his or her right to be examined by a licensed physician of  
17 the person's choice. If the person is unable to obtain a licensed physician  
18 and requests examination by a physician, the court shall employ a  
19 licensed physician.

20 ~~(11)~~ (13) If a private treatment facility agrees with the request of  
21 a competent patient or his OR HER parent, sibling, adult child, or guardian  
22 to accept the patient for treatment, the administrator of the public  
23 treatment facility shall transfer him OR HER to the private treatment  
24 facility.

25 ~~(12)~~ (14) A person committed under this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE may at  
26 any time seek to be discharged from commitment by an order in the  
27 nature of habeas corpus.



1           ~~(13)~~ (15) The venue for proceedings under this section is the  
2 county in which the person to be committed resides or is present.

3           ~~(14)~~ (16) All proceedings conducted pursuant to this ~~part 3~~  
4 ARTICLE shall be conducted by the district attorney of the county where  
5 the proceeding is held or by an attorney acting for the district attorney  
6 appointed by the court for that purpose; except that, in any county or in  
7 any city and county having a population exceeding one hundred thousand  
8 persons, the proceedings shall be conducted by the county attorney or by  
9 an attorney acting for the county attorney appointed by the court.

10           **27-81-113. [Formerly 25-1-312] Records of alcoholics and**  
11 **intoxicated persons.** (1) The registration and other records of treatment  
12 facilities shall remain confidential and are privileged to the patient.

13           (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the director  
14 may make available information from patients' records for purposes of  
15 research into the causes and treatment of alcoholism. Information under  
16 this subsection (2) shall not be published in a way that discloses patients'  
17 names or other identifying information.

18           **27-81-114. [Formerly 25-1-313] Visitation and communication**  
19 **of patients.** (1) ~~Patients~~ A PATIENT in any approved treatment facility  
20 shall be granted opportunities for continuing visitation and  
21 communication with ~~their families~~ HIS OR HER FAMILY and friends  
22 consistent with an effective treatment program. ~~Patients~~ A PATIENT shall  
23 be permitted to consult with counsel at any time.

24           (2) Neither mail nor other communication to or from a patient in  
25 any approved treatment facility may be intercepted, read, or censored.  
26 The director may adopt reasonable rules regarding the use of the  
27 telephone by patients in approved treatment facilities.

1           **27-81-115. [Formerly 25-1-314] Emergency service patrol -**

2           **establishment - rules.** (1) The division UNIT and cities, counties, city  
3           and counties, and regional service authorities may establish emergency  
4           service patrols. A patrol consists of persons trained to give assistance in  
5           the streets and in other public places to persons who are intoxicated or  
6           incapacitated by alcohol. Members of an emergency service patrol shall  
7           be capable of providing first aid in emergency situations and shall be  
8           authorized to transport ~~persons~~ A PERSON intoxicated or incapacitated by  
9           alcohol to ~~their homes~~ HIS OR HER HOME and to and from treatment  
10          facilities.

11           (2) The director shall adopt rules for the establishment, training,  
12          and conduct of emergency service patrols.

13           **27-81-116. [Formerly 25-1-315] Payment for treatment -**

14          **financial ability of patients.** (1) If treatment is provided by an approved  
15          public treatment facility and the patient, including a committed person,  
16          has not paid the charge therefor, the approved treatment facility is entitled  
17          to any payment received by the patient or to which the patient may be  
18          entitled because of the services rendered and from any public or private  
19          source available to the approved treatment facility because of the  
20          treatment provided to the patient. The approved treatment facility may  
21          seek and obtain a judgment in an appropriate court for any fees or charges  
22          that have not been paid.

23           (2) A patient in an approved treatment facility, or the estate of the  
24          patient, or a person obligated to provide for the cost of treatment and  
25          having sufficient financial ability is liable to the approved treatment  
26          facility for the cost of maintenance and treatment of the patient therein in  
27          accordance with rates established. The approved treatment facility may

1 seek and obtain a judgment in an appropriate court for any fees or charges  
2 that have not been paid.

3 (3) The director shall adopt rules that establish a standardized  
4 ability-to-pay schedule, under which those with sufficient financial ability  
5 are required to pay the full cost of services provided and those who are  
6 totally without sufficient financial ability are provided appropriate  
7 treatment at no charge. The schedule shall take into consideration the  
8 income, including government assistance programs, savings, and other  
9 personal and real property, of the person required to pay and any support  
10 the person required to pay furnishes to another person as required by law.

11 (4) Nothing in this section shall prohibit an approved treatment  
12 facility from charging a minimal fee for therapeutic purposes.

13 **27-81-117. [Formerly 25-1-316] Criminal laws - limitations.**

14 (1) ~~No~~ A county, municipality, or other political subdivision may NOT  
15 adopt or enforce a local law, ordinance, resolution, or rule having the  
16 force of law that includes drinking, being a common drunkard, or being  
17 found in an intoxicated condition as one of the elements of the offense  
18 giving rise to a criminal or civil penalty or sanction.

19 (2) ~~No~~ A county, municipality, or other political subdivision may  
20 NOT interpret or apply any law of general application to circumvent the  
21 provisions of subsection (1) of this section.

22 (3) Nothing in this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE affects any law, ordinance,  
23 resolution, or rule against drunken driving, driving under the influence of  
24 alcohol, or other similar offense involving the operation of a vehicle, an  
25 aircraft, or a boat or machinery or other equipment or regarding the sale,  
26 purchase, dispensing, possessing, or use of alcoholic beverages at stated  
27 times and places or by a particular class of persons.

1 (4) The fact that a person is intoxicated or incapacitated by  
2 alcohol shall not prevent his ~~being arrested or prosecuted~~ OR HER ARREST  
3 OR PROSECUTION for the commission of any criminal act or conduct not  
4 enumerated in subsection (1) of this section.

5 (5) Nothing in this ~~part 3~~ ARTICLE shall be construed as a  
6 limitation upon the right of a police officer to make an otherwise legal  
7 arrest, notwithstanding the fact that the arrested person may be  
8 intoxicated or incapacitated by alcohol.

9 **ARTICLE 82**

10 **Drug Abuse Prevention,**

11 **Education, and Treatment**

12 **27-82-101. [Formerly 25-1-1100.2] Legislative declaration.**

13 (1) The general assembly recognizes the character and pervasiveness of  
14 drug abuse and drug dependency and that drug abuse and dependency are  
15 serious problems. The general assembly further finds and declares that  
16 these problems have been very seriously neglected and that the social and  
17 economic costs and the waste of human resources caused by drug abuse  
18 and dependency are massive, tragic, and no longer acceptable. The  
19 general assembly believes that the best interests of this state demand an  
20 across-the-board locally oriented attack on the massive drug abuse and  
21 dependency problem, which attack includes prevention, education, and  
22 treatment, and that this ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE will provide a base from which  
23 to launch the attack and reduce the tragic human loss.

24 (2) It is the policy of this state that drug dependent persons and  
25 persons who are under the influence of drugs should be afforded  
26 treatment in order that they may lead normal lives as productive members  
27 of society. The general assembly hereby finds and declares that drug

1 abuse and drug dependency are matters of statewide concern.

2 **27-82-102. [Formerly 25-1-1101] Definitions.** As used in this  
3 ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE, unless the context otherwise requires:

4 (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of an approved  
5 treatment facility or an individual authorized in writing to act as his OR  
6 HER designee.

7 (2) "Approved private treatment facility" means a private agency  
8 meeting the standards prescribed in ~~section 25-1-1102 (1)~~ SECTION  
9 27-82-103 (1) and approved under ~~section 25-1-1102~~ SECTION 27-82-103.

10 (3) "Approved public treatment facility" means a treatment agency  
11 operating under the direction and control of or approved by the division  
12 ~~of alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT and meeting the standards prescribed in  
13 ~~section 25-1-1102 (1)~~ SECTION 27-82-103 (1) and approved under ~~section~~  
14 ~~25-1-1102~~ SECTION 27-82-103.

15 (4) "Court" means the district court in the county in which the  
16 person named in a petition filed pursuant to this ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE resides  
17 or is physically present. In the city and county of Denver, "court" means  
18 the probate court.

19 (5) "Department" means the department of human services  
20 CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

21 (6) "Director" means the director of the division of alcohol and  
22 drug abuse UNIT.

23 ~~(7) "Division" means the division of alcohol and drug abuse~~  
24 within the department.

25 ~~(8)~~ (7) "Drug" means a controlled substance as defined in section  
26 12-22-303 (7), C.R.S., and toxic vapors.

27 ~~(9)~~ (8) "Drug abuser" means a person who habitually uses drugs

1 or who uses drugs to the extent that his OR HER health is substantially  
2 impaired or endangered or his OR HER social or economic function is  
3 substantially disrupted. Nothing in this subsection ~~(9)~~ (8) shall preclude  
4 the denomination of a drug abuser as a person under the influence of or  
5 incapacitated by drugs.

6 ~~(10)~~ (9) "Executive director" means the executive director of the  
7 department.

8 ~~(11)~~ (10) "Incapacitated by drugs" means that a person, as a result  
9 of the use of drugs, is unconscious or has his OR HER judgment otherwise  
10 so impaired that he OR SHE is incapable of realizing and making a rational  
11 decision with respect to his OR HER need for treatment, or is unable to  
12 take care of his OR HER basic personal needs or safety, or lacks sufficient  
13 understanding or capacity to make or communicate rational decisions  
14 concerning his person HIMSELF OR HERSELF.

15 ~~(12)~~ (11) "Licensed physician" means either a physician licensed  
16 by the state of Colorado or a hospital-licensed physician employed by the  
17 admitting facility.

18 ~~(13)~~ (12) "Minor" means a person under the age of eighteen  
19 years.

20 ~~(14)~~ (13) "Person under the influence of drugs" means any person  
21 whose mental or physical functioning is temporarily but substantially  
22 impaired as a result of the presence of drugs in his OR HER body.

23 ~~(15)~~ (14) "Toxic vapors" means a substance or product containing  
24 such substances as defined in section 18-18-412 (3), C.R.S.

25 ~~(16)~~ (15) "Treatment" means the broad range of emergency,  
26 outpatient, intermediate, and inpatient services and care, including  
27 diagnostic evaluation, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social

1 service care, vocational rehabilitation, and career counseling, ~~which~~ THAT  
2 may be extended to drug abusers and persons under the influence of  
3 drugs.

4 (16) "UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT  
5 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
6 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

7 **27-82-103. [Formerly 25-1-1102] Standards for public and**  
8 **private treatment facilities - fees - enforcement procedures -**  
9 **penalties.** (1) In accordance with the provisions of this ~~part~~ ARTICLE,  
10 the division UNIT shall establish standards for approved treatment  
11 facilities that receive public funds or that dispense controlled substances  
12 or both. ~~Such~~ THE standards ~~must~~ SHALL be met for a treatment facility  
13 to be approved as a public or private treatment facility. The division UNIT  
14 shall fix the fees to be charged for the required inspections. The fees that  
15 are charged to approved treatment facilities that provide level I and level  
16 II programs as provided in section 42-4-1301.3 (3) (c), C.R.S., shall be  
17 transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the fees to the alcohol  
18 and drug driving safety program fund created in section 42-4-1301.3 (4)  
19 (a), C.R.S. The standards may concern only the health standards to be  
20 met and standards of treatment to be afforded patients and shall reflect the  
21 success criteria established by the general assembly.

22 (2) The division UNIT periodically shall inspect approved public  
23 and private treatment facilities at reasonable times and in a reasonable  
24 manner.

25 (3) The division UNIT shall maintain a list of approved public and  
26 private treatment facilities.

27 (4) Each approved public and private treatment facility shall file

1 with the division UNIT, on request, data, statistics, schedules, and  
2 information the division UNIT reasonably requires. An approved public  
3 or private treatment facility that fails without good cause to furnish any  
4 data, statistics, schedules, or information, as requested, or files fraudulent  
5 returns thereof shall be removed from the list of approved treatment  
6 facilities.

7 (5) The division UNIT, after hearing, may suspend, revoke, limit,  
8 restrict, or refuse to grant an approval for failure to meet its standards.

9 (6) ~~No~~ A person shall NOT operate a private or public treatment  
10 facility in this state without approval from the division UNIT; except that  
11 this ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE shall not apply to a private treatment facility that  
12 accepts only private funds and does not dispense controlled substances.  
13 The district court may restrain any violation of, review any denial,  
14 restriction, or revocation of approval under, and grant other relief  
15 required to enforce the provisions of this section.

16 (7) Upon petition of the division UNIT and after a hearing held  
17 upon reasonable notice to the facility, the district court may issue a  
18 warrant to an officer or employee of the division UNIT authorizing him OR  
19 HER to enter and inspect at reasonable times, and examine the books and  
20 accounts of, any approved public or private treatment facility refusing to  
21 consent to inspection or examination by the division UNIT or which the  
22 division UNIT has reasonable cause to believe is operating in violation of  
23 this ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE.

24 **27-82-104. [Formerly 25-1-1103] Acceptance for treatment -**  
25 **rules.** (1) The director shall adopt and may amend and repeal rules for  
26 acceptance of persons into the treatment program, considering available  
27 treatment resources and facilities, for the purpose of early and effective



1 treatment of drug abusers and persons under the influence of drugs. In  
2 establishing the rules, the director shall be guided by the following  
3 standards:

4 (a) If possible a patient shall be treated on a voluntary rather than  
5 an involuntary basis.

6 (b) A patient shall be initially assigned or transferred to outpatient  
7 treatment, unless or until he OR SHE is found to require residential  
8 treatment.

9 (c) A person may not be denied treatment solely because he OR  
10 SHE has withdrawn from treatment against medical advice on a prior  
11 occasion or because he OR SHE has relapsed after earlier treatment.

12 (d) An individualized treatment plan shall be prepared and  
13 maintained on a current basis for each patient.

14 (e) Provision shall be made for a continuum of coordinated  
15 treatment services, so that a person who leaves a facility or leaves a form  
16 of treatment will have available and utilize other appropriate treatment.

17 **27-82-105. [Formerly 25-1-1104] Voluntary treatment of drug**  
18 **abusers.** (1) A drug abuser, including a minor, may apply for voluntary  
19 treatment directly to an approved treatment facility.

20 (2) Subject to rules adopted by the director, the administrator in  
21 charge of an approved treatment facility shall determine who shall be  
22 admitted for treatment. If a person is refused admission to an approved  
23 treatment facility, the administrator may refer the person to another  
24 approved and appropriate treatment facility for treatment if it is deemed  
25 likely to be beneficial. A person should not be referred for further  
26 treatment if it is determined that further treatment is not likely to bring  
27 about significant improvement in the person's condition, or treatment is

1 no longer appropriate, or further treatment is unlikely to be beneficial.

2 (3) If a patient receiving residential care leaves an approved  
3 treatment facility, he OR SHE shall be encouraged to consent to outpatient  
4 treatment or supportive services if appropriate.

5 **27-82-106. [Formerly 25-1-1105] Voluntary treatment for**  
6 **persons under influence of drugs and persons incapacitated by drugs.**

7 (1) A person under the influence of or incapacitated by drugs, including  
8 a minor if provided by rules of the division UNIT, may voluntarily admit  
9 himself OR HERSELF to an approved treatment facility for emergency  
10 treatment.

11 (2) A person who voluntarily enters an approved treatment facility  
12 shall be immediately evaluated or examined by the facility administrator.  
13 A person found to be in need of treatment shall then be admitted or  
14 referred to another appropriate facility. If a person is found not to be in  
15 need of treatment, he OR SHE shall be released or referred to another  
16 appropriate facility.

17 (3) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, a  
18 voluntarily admitted person shall be released from the approved treatment  
19 facility immediately upon his OR HER request.

20 (4) A person who is not admitted to an approved treatment  
21 facility, and who is not referred to another health facility, and who has no  
22 funds may be taken to his OR HER home, if any. If he OR SHE has no  
23 home, the approved treatment facility may assist him OR HER in obtaining  
24 shelter.

25 (5) If a person is admitted to an approved treatment facility, his OR  
26 HER family or next of kin shall be notified as promptly as possible in  
27 accordance with federal confidentiality regulations for alcohol and drug

1 abuse patient records, which regulations are found at 42 CFR, part II,  
2 secs. 2.1 to 2.67, as amended. If an adult person requests that there be no  
3 notification, his OR HER request shall be respected.

4 (6) If the administrator in charge of the approved treatment  
5 facility determines that it is for the person's benefit, the person shall be  
6 encouraged to agree to further diagnosis and appropriate voluntary  
7 treatment.

8 (7) Nothing in this section shall preclude the approved treatment  
9 facility administrator from seeking emergency commitment OF A PERSON  
10 as provided in ~~section 25-1-1106~~ SECTION 27-82-107 or involuntary  
11 commitment OF A PERSON as provided in ~~section 25-1-1107~~ SECTION  
12 27-82-108, regardless of whether ~~such persons have~~ THE PERSON HAS  
13 been voluntarily admitted under this section. In such ~~cases~~ CASE, the  
14 ~~administrator~~ ADMINISTRATOR'S or designee's further conduct shall be  
15 governed by ~~section 25-1-1106 or 25-1-1107~~ SECTION 27-82-107 OR  
16 27-82-108, as applicable.

17 **27-82-107. [Formerly 25-1-1106] Emergency commitment.**

18 (1) When any person is under the influence of or incapacitated by drugs  
19 and clearly dangerous to the health and safety of himself, HERSELF, or  
20 others, ~~such person~~ HE OR SHE may be taken into protective custody by  
21 law enforcement authorities, acting with probable cause, and placed in an  
22 approved treatment facility. If no such facilities are available, he OR SHE  
23 may be detained in an emergency medical facility or jail, but only for so  
24 long as may be necessary to prevent injury to himself, HERSELF, or others  
25 or to prevent a breach of the peace. A law enforcement officer, in  
26 detaining the person, is taking him OR HER into protective custody. In so  
27 doing, the detaining officer may protect himself OR HERSELF by

1 reasonable methods but shall make every reasonable effort to protect the  
2 detainee's health and safety. A taking into protective custody under this  
3 section is not an arrest, and no entry or other record shall be made to  
4 indicate that the person has been arrested or charged with a crime. Law  
5 enforcement personnel who act in compliance with this section are acting  
6 in the course of their official duties and are not criminally or civilly liable  
7 therefor. Nothing in this subsection (1) shall preclude a person under the  
8 influence of or incapacitated by drugs who is not dangerous to the health  
9 and safety of himself, HERSELF, or others from being assisted to his OR  
10 HER home or like location by the law enforcement officer.

11 (2) A law enforcement officer, physician, spouse, guardian, or  
12 relative of the person to be committed or any other responsible person  
13 may make a written application for emergency commitment under this  
14 section, directed to the administrator of the approved treatment facility.  
15 The application shall state the circumstances requiring emergency  
16 commitment, including the applicant's personal observations and the  
17 specific statements of others, if any, upon which he OR SHE relies in  
18 making the application. A copy of the application shall be furnished to  
19 the person to be committed.

20 (3) If the approved treatment facility administrator finds that there  
21 are sufficient grounds in the application, the person shall be committed,  
22 evaluated, and treated for a period not to exceed five days. The person  
23 shall be brought to the facility by a peace officer or any interested person.  
24 If necessary, the court may be contacted to issue an order to the police,  
25 the peace officer's department, or the sheriff's department to transport the  
26 person to the facility.

27 (4) If the approved treatment facility administrator determines that

1 there are insufficient grounds in the application to sustain an emergency  
2 commitment as set forth in subsection (1) of this section, the commitment  
3 shall be refused and the person detained immediately released, and the  
4 person shall be encouraged to seek voluntary treatment if appropriate.

5 (5) When the administrator determines that the grounds for  
6 commitment no longer exist, the emergency commitment shall be revoked  
7 and the client shall be placed on voluntary status and encouraged to seek  
8 further voluntary treatment. No person committed under this section may  
9 be detained in any treatment facility for more than five days; except that  
10 a person may be detained for longer than five days at the approved  
11 treatment facility if, in that period of time, a petition for involuntary  
12 commitment has been filed pursuant to ~~section 25-1-1107~~ SECTION  
13 27-82-108. A person may not be detained longer than ten days, excluding  
14 weekends and holidays, after the date of filing of the petition for  
15 involuntary commitment unless valid medical reasons exist for detaining  
16 a person longer.

17 (6) Whenever a person is involuntarily detained pursuant to this  
18 section, he OR SHE shall be advised within twenty-four hours by the  
19 facility administrator, both orally and in writing, of his OR HER right to  
20 challenge such detention by application to the courts for a writ of habeas  
21 corpus, and to have counsel appointed by the court or provided by the  
22 court if he OR SHE wants the assistance of counsel and is unable to obtain  
23 counsel.

24 **27-82-108. [Formerly 25-1-1107] Involuntary commitment of**  
25 **drug abusers.** (1) A person may be committed to the custody of the  
26 division UNIT by the court upon the petition of the person's spouse or  
27 guardian, a relative, a physician, an advanced practice nurse, the

1 administrator in charge of any approved treatment facility, or any other  
2 responsible person. The petition shall allege that the person is a drug  
3 abuser and that the person has threatened or attempted to inflict or  
4 inflicted physical harm on himself or herself or on another and that unless  
5 committed the person is likely to inflict physical harm on himself or  
6 herself or on another or that the person is incapacitated by drugs. A  
7 refusal to undergo treatment does not constitute evidence of lack of  
8 judgment as to the need for treatment. The petition shall be accompanied  
9 by a certificate of a licensed physician who has examined the person  
10 within ten days before submission of the petition, unless the person whose  
11 commitment is sought has refused to submit to a medical examination or  
12 an examination cannot be made of such person due to the person's  
13 condition. The certificate shall set forth the physician's findings in  
14 support of the allegations of the petition.

15 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) A petition submitted pursuant to subsection (1) of this  
16 section shall not be accepted unless there is documentation of the refusal  
17 by the person to be admitted to accessible and affordable voluntary  
18 treatment. ~~Such~~ Documentation may include, but shall not be limited to,  
19 physicians' and advanced practice nurses' statements, notations in the  
20 person's medical or law enforcement records, or witnesses' statements.

21 ~~(2)~~ (3) Upon the filing of the petition, the court shall fix a date for  
22 a hearing no later than ten days, excluding weekends and holidays, after  
23 the date the petition was filed, unless valid medical reasons exist for  
24 delaying the hearing. A copy of the petition and of the notice of the  
25 hearing, including the date fixed by the court, shall be personally served  
26 on the person whose commitment is sought and one of his OR HER parents  
27 or his OR HER legal guardian if he OR SHE is a minor. A copy of the

1 petition and notice of hearing shall be provided to the petitioner, to the  
2 ~~division of alcohol and drug abuse, UNIT,~~ to counsel for the person whose  
3 commitment is sought, if any, to the administrator in charge of the  
4 approved treatment facility to which the person may have been committed  
5 for emergency treatment, and to any other person the court believes  
6 advisable.

7 (3) (4) At the hearing, the court shall hear all relevant testimony,  
8 including, if possible, the testimony of at least one licensed physician who  
9 has examined the person whose commitment is sought. The person shall  
10 be present unless the court believes that the person's presence is likely to  
11 be injurious to the person; in this event, the court shall appoint a guardian  
12 ad litem to represent the person throughout the proceeding. If the person  
13 has refused to be examined by a licensed physician, he or she shall be  
14 given an opportunity to be examined by a court-appointed licensed  
15 physician. If the person refuses and there is sufficient evidence to believe  
16 that the allegations of the petition are true or if the court believes that  
17 more medical evidence is necessary, the court may commit the person to  
18 a licensed hospital or an approved public or private treatment facility for  
19 a period of not more than five days for a diagnostic examination. In such  
20 event, the court shall schedule a further hearing for final determination of  
21 commitment, in no event later than five days after the first hearing.

22 (4) (5) If after hearing all relevant evidence, including the results  
23 of any diagnostic examination by the licensed hospital, the court finds  
24 that grounds for involuntary commitment have been established by clear  
25 and convincing proof, it shall make an order of commitment to the  
26 ~~division. The division~~ UNIT. THE UNIT shall have the right to delegate  
27 physical custody of the person to an appropriate approved treatment

1 facility. It may not order commitment of a person unless it determines  
2 that the division UNIT is able to provide adequate and appropriate  
3 treatment for him OR HER and that the treatment is likely to be beneficial.

4 ~~(5)~~ (6) Upon the commitment of a person to the division UNIT by  
5 the court, the court may issue an order to the sheriff to transport the  
6 person committed to the facility designated by the division UNIT.

7 ~~(6)~~ (7) A person committed as provided in this section shall  
8 remain in the custody of the division UNIT for treatment for a period of  
9 thirty days unless sooner discharged. At the end of the thirty-day period,  
10 he OR SHE shall be discharged automatically unless the division UNIT,  
11 before expiration of the period, files a petition for his OR HER  
12 recommitment upon the grounds set forth in subsection (1) of this section  
13 for a further period of ninety days and a hearing has been scheduled in  
14 accordance with ~~subsection (2)~~ SUBSECTION (3) of this section. If a  
15 person has been committed because he OR SHE is a drug abuser likely to  
16 inflict physical harm on another, the division UNIT shall apply for  
17 recommitment if, after examination, it is determined that the likelihood  
18 still exists.

19 ~~(7)~~ (8) A person recommitment as provided in ~~subsection (6)~~  
20 SUBSECTION (7) of this section who has not been discharged by the  
21 division UNIT before the end of the ninety-day period shall be discharged  
22 at the expiration of that period unless the division UNIT, before expiration  
23 of the period, files a petition on the grounds set forth in subsection (1) of  
24 this section for recommitment for a further period not to exceed ninety  
25 days and a hearing has been scheduled in accordance with ~~subsection (2)~~  
26 SUBSECTION (3) of this section. If a person has been committed because  
27 he OR SHE is a drug abuser likely to inflict physical harm on another, the



1 division UNIT shall apply for recommitment if after examination it is  
2 determined that the likelihood still exists. Only two recommitment orders  
3 under ~~subsection (6)~~ SUBSECTION (7) of this section and this ~~subsection~~  
4 ~~(7)~~ SUBSECTION (8) are permitted.

5 ~~(8)~~ (9) Upon the filing of a petition for recommitment under  
6 ~~subsections (6) and (7)~~ SUBSECTIONS (7) AND (8) of this section, the court  
7 shall fix a date for hearing no later than ten days, excluding weekends and  
8 holidays, after the date the petition was filed unless valid medical reasons  
9 exist for delaying the hearing. A copy of the petition and of the notice of  
10 hearing shall be served as required in ~~subsection (2)~~ SUBSECTION (3) of  
11 this section. At the hearing, the court shall proceed as provided in  
12 ~~subsection (3)~~ SUBSECTION (4) of this section.

13 ~~(9)~~ (10) The division UNIT shall provide for adequate and  
14 appropriate treatment of a person committed to its custody. The division  
15 UNIT may transfer any person committed to its custody from one approved  
16 treatment facility to another if transfer is advisable.

17 ~~(10)~~ (11) A person committed to the custody of the division UNIT  
18 for treatment shall be discharged at any time before the end of the period  
19 for which he OR SHE has been committed if either of the following  
20 conditions is met:

21 (a) In THE case of a drug abuser committed on the grounds that he  
22 OR SHE is likely to inflict physical harm upon another, that he OR SHE no  
23 longer has a drug abuse condition ~~which~~ THAT requires treatment or the  
24 likelihood no longer exists; or

25 (b) In THE case of a drug abuser committed on the grounds of the  
26 need of treatment and incapacity, that the incapacity no longer exists, or  
27 in case of a drug abuser committed on any grounds under this section, that

1 further treatment will not be likely to bring about significant improvement  
2 in the person's condition, or treatment is no longer appropriate, or further  
3 treatment is unlikely to be beneficial.

4 ~~(11)~~ (12) The court shall inform the person whose commitment or  
5 recommitment is sought of his or her right to contest the application, to  
6 be represented by counsel at every stage of any proceedings relating to the  
7 person's commitment and recommitment, and to have counsel appointed  
8 by the court or provided by the court if the person wants the assistance of  
9 counsel and is unable to obtain counsel. If the court believes that the  
10 person needs the assistance of counsel, the court shall require, by  
11 appointment if necessary, counsel for the person regardless of the person's  
12 wishes. The person whose commitment or recommitment is sought shall  
13 be informed of his or her right to be examined by a licensed physician of  
14 the person's choice. If the person is unable to obtain a licensed physician  
15 and requests examination by a physician, the court shall employ a  
16 licensed physician.

17 ~~(12)~~ (13) If a private treatment facility agrees with the request of  
18 a competent patient or his OR HER parent, sibling, adult child, or guardian  
19 to accept the patient for treatment, the administrator of the public  
20 treatment facility may transfer him OR HER to the private treatment  
21 facility.

22 ~~(13)~~ (14) A person committed under this ~~part 11~~ ARTICLE may at  
23 any time seek to be discharged from commitment by an order in the  
24 nature of habeas corpus.

25 ~~(14)~~ (15) The venue for proceedings under this section is the  
26 county in which the person to be committed resides or is present.

27 ~~(15)~~ (16) All proceedings conducted pursuant to this ~~part 11~~

1 ARTICLE shall be conducted by the district attorney of the county where  
2 the proceeding is held or by an attorney acting for the district attorney  
3 appointed by the court for that purpose; except that, in any county or in  
4 any city and county having a population exceeding one hundred thousand  
5 persons, the proceedings shall be conducted by the county attorney or by  
6 an attorney acting for the county attorney appointed by the court.

7 **27-82-109. [Formerly 25-1-1108] Records of drug abusers and**  
8 **persons under influence of drugs.** (1) The registration and other  
9 records of treatment facilities shall remain confidential and fully  
10 protected as outlined in federal confidentiality regulations for alcohol and  
11 drug abuse patient records found at 42 CFR, part II, secs. 2.1 to 2.67, as  
12 amended.

13 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the director  
14 may make available information from patients' records for purposes of  
15 research into the causes and treatment of drug abuse. Information under  
16 this subsection (2) shall not be published in a way that discloses patients'  
17 names or other identifying information.

18 **27-82-110. [Formerly 25-1-1109] Visitation and**  
19 **communication of patients.** (1) ~~Patients in any~~ A PATIENT IN AN  
20 approved treatment facility shall be granted opportunities for continuing  
21 visitation and communication with ~~their families~~ HIS OR HER FAMILY and  
22 friends consistent with an effective treatment program. ~~Patients~~ A  
23 PATIENT shall be permitted to consult with counsel at any time.

24 (2) Neither mail nor other communication to or from a patient in  
25 any approved treatment facility may be intercepted, read, or censored.  
26 The director may adopt reasonable rules regarding the use of the  
27 telephone by patients in approved treatment facilities.

1           **27-82-111. [Formerly 25-1-1110] Payment for treatment -**

2           **financial ability of patients.** (1) If treatment is provided by an approved  
3 public treatment facility and the patient, including a committed person,  
4 has not paid the charge therefor, the approved treatment facility is entitled  
5 to any payment received by the patient or to which he OR SHE may be  
6 entitled because of the services rendered and from any public or private  
7 source available to the approved treatment facility because of the  
8 treatment provided to the patient. The treatment facility may seek and  
9 obtain a judgment in an appropriate court for any fees or charges which  
10 have not been paid.

11           (2) A patient in an approved treatment facility, or the estate of the  
12 patient, or a person obligated to provide for the cost of treatment and  
13 having sufficient financial ability is liable to the approved treatment  
14 facility for the cost of maintenance and treatment of the patient therein in  
15 accordance with rates established. The treatment facility may seek and  
16 obtain a judgment in an appropriate court for any fees or charges ~~which~~  
17 THAT have not been paid.

18           (3) The director shall establish by rule a standardized  
19 ability-to-pay schedule, under which those with sufficient financial ability  
20 are required to pay the full cost of services provided and those who are  
21 totally without sufficient financial ability are provided appropriate  
22 treatment at no charge. Such schedule shall take into consideration the  
23 income including government assistance programs, savings, and other  
24 personal and real property of the person required to pay, and any support  
25 being furnished by him OR HER to any person he OR SHE is required by law  
26 to support.

27           (4) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a facility from charging

1 a minimal fee for therapeutic purposes.

2 **27-82-112. [Formerly 25-1-1111] Criminal laws - limitations.**

3 (1) Nothing in this ~~part~~ ~~11~~ ARTICLE affects any law, ordinance,  
4 resolution, or rule against driving under the influence of drugs or other  
5 similar offense involving the operation of a vehicle, an aircraft, a boat,  
6 any machinery, or any other equipment or regarding the sale, purchase,  
7 possession, or use of drugs.

8 (2) The fact that a person is under the influence of or incapacitated  
9 by drugs shall not prevent his ~~being arrested or prosecuted~~ OR HER  
10 ARREST OR PROSECUTION for the commission of any criminal act or  
11 conduct.

12 (3) Nothing in this ~~part~~ ~~11~~ ARTICLE shall be construed as a  
13 limitation upon the right of a police officer to make an otherwise legal  
14 arrest, notwithstanding the fact that the arrested person may be under the  
15 influence of or incapacitated by drugs.

16 **27-82-113. [Formerly 25-1-1112] Limitations on services and**  
17 **programs provided - available funds.**

18 (1) The level of services  
19 provided and the scope of programs administered by the ~~division~~ which  
20 UNIT THAT relate to drug abuse prevention, education, and treatment,  
21 including the number of clients served in treatment programs, shall be  
22 subject to the moneys available to the ~~division~~ UNIT for such purposes.

23 (2) The department of ~~human services~~ is authorized to accept, on  
24 behalf of the state of Colorado, and expend any grants of federal funds for  
25 all or any purposes of this ~~part~~ ~~11~~ ARTICLE.

26 **ARTICLE 90**

27 **Institutions - Department of Human Services**

**27-90-100.3. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE

1 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

2 (1) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
3 CREATED IN SECTION 26-1-105, C.R.S.

4 (2) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

6 **27-90-101. [Formerly 27-1-102] Executive director - division**  
7 **heads - interagency council - advisory boards.**

8 ~~(1) Repealed.~~

9 ~~(2)(a) Repealed.~~

10 ~~(b)~~ (1) (a) Medical personnel employed at any of the institutions  
11 subject to the control of the executive director, the medical director of  
12 which is licensed to practice medicine in this state, shall be exempt from  
13 the provisions of the "Colorado Medical Practice Act", article 36 of title  
14 12, C.R.S., with respect to service rendered to bona fide patients or  
15 inmates at ~~said~~ THOSE institutions, if such personnel: Are licensed to  
16 practice medicine in any other state of the United States or any province  
17 of Canada; have satisfactorily completed an internship of not less than  
18 one year in the United States, Canada, or Puerto Rico in a hospital  
19 approved for that purpose by the American medical association; have  
20 satisfactorily completed three years of postgraduate residency training, or  
21 its equivalent, in their particular specialty in a hospital approved for that  
22 purpose by the American medical association; and can read, write, speak,  
23 and understand the English language. Proof ~~of said~~ THAT THE  
24 requirements HAVE BEEN MET shall be submitted to and approved or  
25 disapproved by the executive director. ~~of the department of human~~  
26 ~~services.~~

27 ~~(c)~~ (b) All ~~such~~ personnel ~~as~~ WHO cannot satisfy all of the

1 requirements set forth in ~~paragraph (b)~~ PARAGRAPH (a) of this ~~subsection~~  
2 ~~(2)~~ SUBSECTION (1) shall be exempt from the provisions of the "Colorado  
3 Medical Practice Act", article 36 of title 12, C.R.S., with respect to  
4 services rendered to bona fide patients or inmates at said institutions, if  
5 ~~such~~ THE personnel: Are of good moral character; are graduates of an  
6 approved medical college as defined in section 12-36-108, C.R.S.; have  
7 completed an approved internship of at least one year as defined in  
8 section 12-36-109, C.R.S.; ~~and~~, within a period of nine months of their  
9 employment, pass the examinations approved by the Colorado state board  
10 of medical examiners under the provisions of the "Colorado Medical  
11 Practice Act" and the national board of medical examiners, the national  
12 board of examiners for osteopathic physicians and surgeons, or the  
13 federation of state medical boards on subjects relating to the basic  
14 sciences; are able to read, write, speak, and understand the English  
15 language; and, in the case of personnel who are not citizens of the United  
16 States, become such citizens within the minimum period of time within  
17 which the particular individual can become a citizen according to the laws  
18 of the United States and the regulations of the immigration and  
19 naturalization service of the United States department of justice or within  
20 such additional time as may be granted by said boards.

21 ~~(d)~~ (c) Medical personnel granted exemption under ~~paragraphs (b)~~  
22 ~~and (c) of this subsection (2)~~ PARAGRAPHS (a) AND (b) OF THIS  
23 SUBSECTION (1) may not practice medicine except as described in this  
24 ~~subsection (2)~~ SUBSECTION (1) without first complying with all of the  
25 provisions of ~~said~~ THE "Colorado Medical Practice Act".

26 ~~(3)~~ (2) The governor may appoint an interagency council to serve  
27 at his OR HER pleasure, to be composed of such representatives as he OR

1 SHE may select from the departments of public health and environment,  
2 labor and employment, health care policy and financing, human services,  
3 personnel, and such other state officers and officials as he OR SHE may  
4 deem appropriate.

5 (4) (3) The governor may appoint advisory boards to consult with  
6 the executive director and the chief officer of any institution within the  
7 jurisdiction of the department. Any such advisory board shall consist of  
8 not less than five nor more than fifteen persons recognized or known to  
9 be interested and informed in the area of the ~~said~~ institution's purpose and  
10 function. Members of ~~such~~ THE ADVISORY boards shall serve without  
11 compensation but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses  
12 incurred in attending regular meetings. ~~Said~~ ADVISORY boards  
13 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3) shall meet quarterly and  
14 during any interim on call of the executive director.

15 **27-90-102. [Formerly 27-1-103] Duties of executive director**  
16 **- governor acquire water rights - rules.** (1) The duties of the executive  
17 director ~~of the department of human services~~ shall be:

18 (a) To manage, supervise, and control the charitable, mental,  
19 custodial, and special educational public institutions operated and  
20 supported by the state; to manage and supervise the special agencies,  
21 departments, boards, and commissions transferred to or established within  
22 the department by law; to improve, develop, and carry forward programs  
23 of therapy, counseling, and aftercare to the end that ~~persons~~ A PERSON  
24 dependent upon tax-supported programs may be afforded opportunity and  
25 encouragement to overcome the disability causing ~~their~~ HIS OR HER partial  
26 or total dependence upon the state;

27 (b) To supervise the business, fiscal, budget, personnel, and



1 financial operations of the department and the institutions and activities  
2 under his OR HER control;

3 (c) In consultation with the several superintendents, the chief  
4 officer of the Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo, the head of the  
5 administrative division for the Colorado mental health institute at Fort  
6 Logan, and the director of the division of planning, to develop a  
7 systematic building program providing for the projected, long-range  
8 needs of the institutions under his OR HER control;

9 (d) To classify the lands connected with the state institutions  
10 under his OR HER control and determine which are of such character as to  
11 be most profitably used for agricultural purposes, taking into  
12 consideration the needs of all state institutions for the food products that  
13 can be grown or produced thereon and the relative value of such  
14 agricultural use in the treatment or rehabilitation of the persons confined  
15 in ~~said~~ THOSE institutions;

16 (e) To the extent practical, to utilize the staff and services of other  
17 state agencies and departments, within their respective statutory  
18 functions, including administrative law judges appointed pursuant to part  
19 10 of article 30 of title 24, C.R.S., to carry out the purposes of this ~~part~~  
20 ARTICLE;

21 ~~(f) Repealed.~~

22 ~~(g)~~ (f) To examine and evaluate each child committed to the  
23 department and to place each child so committed as provided in section  
24 19-2-922, C.R.S.;

25 ~~(h)~~ (g) To transfer between appropriate state institutions children  
26 committed to the department as provided in section 19-2-923, C.R.S.;

27 ~~(i)~~ (h) To require of the head of each institution and agency

1 assigned to the department an annual report containing ~~such~~ information,  
2 and submitted at ~~such~~ a time, as the executive director decides;

3 ~~(j)~~ (i) To exercise control over publications of the department and  
4 subdivisions thereof and cause ~~such~~ publications ~~as~~ THAT are approved  
5 for circulation in quantity outside the executive branch to be issued in  
6 accordance with the provisions of section 24-1-136, C.R.S.;

7 ~~(k)~~ (j) To implement the procedures regarding children who are  
8 in detention or who have or may have mental illness or developmental  
9 disabilities specified in the provisions of the "Colorado Children's Code"  
10 contained in articles 1, 2, and 3 of title 19, C.R.S.;

11 ~~(l)~~ (k) To carry out the duties prescribed in article 11.7 of title 16,  
12 C.R.S.; AND

13 ~~(m)~~ (l) To provide information to the director of research of the  
14 legislative council concerning population projections, research data, and  
15 the projected long-range needs of the institutions under the control of the  
16 executive director and any other related data requested by the director.

17 ~~(1.5)~~ (2) The executive director shall have such other powers,  
18 duties, and functions as are prescribed for heads of principal departments  
19 in the "Administrative Organization Act of 1968", article 1 of title 24,  
20 C.R.S.

21 ~~(2)~~ (3) On behalf of the state of Colorado, the governor is  
22 authorized to acquire water and water rights for the operation of the  
23 Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan. Title to ~~such~~ THAT  
24 property may be acquired in fee simple absolute by purchase, donation,  
25 or the exercise of the power of eminent domain through condemnation  
26 proceedings in accordance with law from funds made available by the  
27 general assembly.

1           ~~(3)(a)(I)~~ (4) (a) (I) The executive director shall appoint a board  
2 of medical consultants.

3           (II) The executive director shall determine the membership of the  
4 board based on the medical and surgical needs of the department.

5           (III) The executive director shall determine the qualifications for  
6 appointment to the board of medical consultants; except that all members  
7 of the board shall be licensed by the state board of medical examiners  
8 pursuant to the provisions of article 36 of title 12, C.R.S.

9           (b) ~~Persons~~ A PERSON serving on the board of medical consultants  
10 shall provide not more than one thousand hours of consultation per year  
11 in ~~their~~ HIS OR HER capacity as A board ~~members~~ MEMBER.

12           (c) Members of the board of medical consultants shall be  
13 compensated at a rate ~~which~~ THAT shall be approved by the executive  
14 director. Compensation shall be paid from available funds of the  
15 department.

16           (d) The board members shall act as medical consultants to the  
17 department with respect to persons receiving services from the  
18 institutions listed in ~~section 27-1-104~~ SECTION 27-90-104 and from any  
19 institution operated pursuant to part 11 of article 2 of title 19, C.R.S.

20           (e) A member of the board of medical consultants, for all  
21 activities performed within the course and scope of his OR HER  
22 responsibilities to the department, is a "public employee" as defined in  
23 section 24-10-103 (4), C.R.S.

24           ~~(4)(a)~~ (5) (a) The executive director ~~of the department of human~~  
25 ~~services~~ shall have authority to adopt "executive director rules", as  
26 described in section 26-1-108, C.R.S., for programs administered and  
27 services provided by the department ~~of human services~~ as set forth in this

1 title. ~~Such~~ THE rules shall be promulgated in accordance with the  
2 provisions of section 24-4-103, C.R.S.

3 (b) Whenever a statutory grant of rule-making authority in this  
4 title refers to the DEPARTMENT, state department, or the department of  
5 human services, it shall mean the department of human services acting  
6 through either the state board of human services or the executive director  
7 ~~of the department of human services~~ or both. When exercising  
8 rule-making authority under this title, the ~~state~~ department, either acting  
9 through the state board or the executive director, shall establish rules  
10 consistent with the powers and the distinction between "board rules" as  
11 set forth in ~~section 27-1-103.5~~ SECTION 27-90-103 and "executive director  
12 rules" as set forth in this section.

13 (c) Any rules adopted by the state board of human services to  
14 implement the provisions of this title prior to March 25, 2009, whose  
15 content meets the definition of "executive director rules" shall continue  
16 to be effective until revised, amended, or repealed by the executive  
17 director.

18 **27-90-103. [Formerly 27-1-103.5] State board of human**  
19 **services - rules.** (1) The state board of human services, created in  
20 section 26-1-107, C.R.S., is authorized to adopt "board rules" as  
21 necessary to implement the programs administered and the services  
22 provided by the department ~~of human services~~ as provided in this title.  
23 ~~Such~~ THE rules shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions  
24 of section 24-4-103, C.R.S.

25 (2) "Board rules" are rules promulgated by the state board of  
26 human services governing:

27 (a) Program scope and content;

1 (b) Requirements, obligations, and rights of clients and recipients;

2 (c) Non-executive director rules concerning vendors, providers,  
3 and other persons affected by acts of the department. ~~of human services.~~

4 (3) (a) Any rules adopted by the executive director ~~of the~~  
5 ~~department of human services~~ to implement the provisions of this title  
6 prior to March 25, 2009, whose content meets the definition of "board  
7 rules" shall continue to be effective until revised, amended, or repealed  
8 by the state board of human services.

9 (b) Any rules adopted by the state board to implement the  
10 provisions of this title prior to March 25, 2009, whose content meets the  
11 definition of "executive director rules" shall continue to be effective until  
12 revised, amended, or repealed by the executive director.

13 (4) Whenever a statutory grant of rule-making authority in this  
14 title refers to the department, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, or the department  
15 of human services, it shall mean the department of human services acting  
16 through either the state board of human services or the executive director.  
17 ~~of the department of human services.~~ When exercising rule-making  
18 authority under this title, the state department, either acting through the  
19 state board or the executive director, shall establish rules consistent with  
20 the powers and the distinction between "board rules" as set forth in this  
21 section and "executive director rules" as set forth in ~~section 27-1-103~~  
22 SECTION 27-90-102.

23 **27-90-104. [Formerly 27-1-104] Institutions managed,**  
24 **supervised, and controlled.** (1) The department shall manage,  
25 supervise, and control the following state institutions:

26 (a) and (b) ~~Repealed.~~

27 (c) (a) Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo;

- 1           ~~(d)~~ (b) Wheat Ridge regional center;
- 2           ~~(e)~~ (c) Grand Junction regional center;
- 3           ~~(f)~~ (d) Lookout Mountain school, at Golden;
- 4           ~~(g)~~ (e) Mount View school, at Morrison;
- 5           ~~(h)~~ (f) Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan, in Denver;
- 6           ~~(i)~~ (g) Golden Gate youth camp, in Gilpin county;
- 7           ~~(j)~~ (h) Lathrop Park youth camp, in Huerfano county; AND
- 8           ~~(k)~~ and ~~(l)~~ Repealed.
- 9           ~~(m)~~ (i) Pueblo regional center.
- 10          ~~(n)~~ Repealed.

11           **27-90-105. [Formerly 27-1-104.4] Future juvenile detention**

12           **facility needs.** (1) (a) The general assembly hereby finds and declares  
13           that currently there are no juvenile detention facilities with commitment  
14           beds or locked detention beds in the southwest portion of Colorado and  
15           that the nearest such facility in the Grand Junction or Glenwood Springs  
16           area is as much as four hours away from some southwestern communities.  
17           As a result of this distance, authorities in the southwest region of the state  
18           often avoid detention even though such avoidance presents a public safety  
19           problem, and those juveniles who are taken to distant facilities lose the  
20           critical access to family members and local community agencies that  
21           would otherwise render their transitional return to the community less  
22           difficult.

23           (b) The general assembly further finds and declares that the  
24           juvenile population in detention is expected to increase by seventy and  
25           nine ~~one-hundredths~~ HUNDREDTHS percent by the year 2002. In addition,  
26           the general assembly finds and declares that the juvenile commitment  
27           population is expected to increase by forty-nine and nine-tenths percent

1 by the year 2002. The general assembly finds and declares that the  
2 growth patterns on the western slope of the state have led to a growth in  
3 population of at-risk youth and increased crime and that the office of  
4 youth services accordingly has experienced a shortfall of both detention  
5 and commitment beds in the western part of the state.

6 (c) The general assembly therefore determines that it would be  
7 appropriate to consider the need for the construction of a juvenile  
8 detention facility in southwest Colorado.

9 (2) (a) The department of ~~human services~~ is directed to assess the  
10 need for, and to determine the community commitment to, a new  
11 multipurpose juvenile detention facility to be constructed in La Plata  
12 county that would serve the following detention and treatment needs of  
13 juveniles in the southwest portion of the state:

14 (I) Secure facility housing of juveniles who are detained on  
15 juvenile-related charges; and

16 (II) Secure facility and medium secure facility housing of  
17 juveniles who are committed to the ~~office~~ DIVISION of youth ~~services~~  
18 CORRECTIONS.

19 (b) In assessing the need for such a facility and the services to be  
20 rendered at such a facility, the department of ~~human services~~ shall  
21 evaluate privatization options.

22 (3) The department of ~~human services~~ shall present its findings,  
23 conclusions, and recommendations to the capital development committee  
24 of the general assembly on or before November 1, 1996.

25 **27-90-106. [Formerly 27-1-104.5] Legislative review of**  
26 **facilities program plans for juvenile facilities.** (1) Prior to any  
27 appropriation by the general assembly for the construction of a new,

1 expanded, renovated, or improved juvenile facility, and no later than  
2 November 1 prior to the beginning of the budget year for which the  
3 appropriation is made, the department ~~of human services~~ shall submit a  
4 proposed facility program plan for each proposed new, expanded,  
5 renovated, or improved juvenile facility to the capital development  
6 committee. The capital development committee shall make a  
7 recommendation regarding the facility program plan to the joint budget  
8 committee. The general assembly may contract with a consultant to  
9 provide assistance to the capital development committee and the joint  
10 budget committee in the review of facilities program plans submitted by  
11 the department. ~~of human services.~~

12 (2) For the purposes of this section, "facility program plan" means  
13 a pre-architectural design program, as that term is understood in the  
14 architectural profession. A facility program plan shall include but need  
15 not be limited to the number of beds proposed to be included in the new  
16 juvenile facility or the addition to an existing juvenile facility, the primary  
17 security level of the proposed facility or addition, the staffing plan of the  
18 proposed facility or addition, and a description of any educational or  
19 ancillary support facilities required for the proposed facility or addition.

20 **27-90-107. [Formerly 27-1-106] Transfer of functions.**

21 (1) The department has the authority to execute, administer, perform, and  
22 enforce the rights, powers, duties, functions, and obligations vested in the  
23 board of control of the state children's home, the board of control of the  
24 Mount View girls' school, and the division of administration of the  
25 division of parole prior to July 1, 1959.

26 (2) Except where the context plainly requires otherwise, "board"  
27 or "boards of control", with reference to the institutions and the division



1 listed in subsection (1) of this section, means and refers to the department  
2 of human services.

3 **27-90-108. [Formerly 27-1-107] Transfer of employees,**  
4 **records, and property - retirement benefits protected - decision of**  
5 **governor.** (1) All employees of the division of administration of the  
6 division of parole and all employees of the boards of control enumerated  
7 in ~~section 27-1-106~~ SECTION 27-90-107 who were engaged in the  
8 performance of duties prescribed and supervised by ~~said~~ THE division of  
9 administration of ~~said~~ THE division of parole and ~~said~~ THE boards,  
10 respectively, and ~~who~~ THAT were transferred to the department of  
11 institutions on July 1, 1959, shall retain all rights to retirement benefits  
12 under the laws of the state, and their services shall be deemed to have  
13 been continuous. All funds, accounts, books, records, documents, and  
14 equipment of ~~said~~ THE boards and ~~said~~ THE division of administration of  
15 the division of parole became the property of the department of  
16 institutions on July 1, 1959.

17 (2) All questions pertaining to the proper disposition of funds,  
18 accounts, books, records, documents, or equipment arising under this ~~part~~  
19 ~~†~~ ARTICLE and section 17-1-101, C.R.S., and caused by the transfer of  
20 powers, duties, rights, functions, and obligations from any board of  
21 control to the department of institutions shall be determined by the  
22 governor.

23 (3) Whenever in this ~~part~~ ~~†~~ ARTICLE a department, agency,  
24 division, or unit thereof is transferred to the department of institutions, the  
25 provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall be declared  
26 applicable in effecting such transfer.

27 **27-90-109. [Formerly 27-1-108] Department may accept gifts,**

1     **donations, and grants.** The department ~~of human services~~ or any  
2 institution managed, supervised, and controlled by the department may  
3 accept or refuse to accept, on behalf of and in the name of the state, gifts,  
4 donations, and grants, including grants of federal funds, for any purpose  
5 connected with the work or programs of the department or of any such  
6 institution. The executive director, ~~of the department,~~ with the approval  
7 of the governor, has the power to direct the disposition of any such gift,  
8 donation, and grant so accepted for any purpose consistent with the terms  
9 and conditions under which given.

10           **27-90-110. [Formerly 27-1-109] Rules for this article and**  
11 **certain provisions in title 19, C.R.S.** Pursuant to section 24-4-103,  
12 C.R.S., the department ~~of human services~~ shall promulgate such rules as  
13 are necessary to implement the provisions of this ~~part~~ ARTICLE and the  
14 procedures specified in sections 19-2-508, 19-2-906, 19-2-922, 19-2-923,  
15 19-3-403, 19-3-506, 19-3-507, and 19-3-508, C.R.S., regarding children  
16 who are in detention or who have or may have mental illness or  
17 developmental disabilities.

18           **27-90-111. [Formerly 27-1-110] Employment of personnel -**  
19 **screening of applicants - disqualifications from employment.** (1) The  
20 general assembly hereby recognizes that many of the individuals  
21 receiving services from persons employed by the state department  
22 pursuant to this title or title 26, C.R.S., are unable to defend themselves  
23 and are therefore vulnerable to abuse or assault. It is the intent of the  
24 general assembly to minimize the potential for hiring and employing  
25 persons with a propensity toward abuse, assault, or similar offenses  
26 against others for positions that would provide them with unsupervised  
27 access to vulnerable persons. The general assembly hereby declares that,

1 in accordance with section 13 of article XII of the state constitution, for  
2 purposes of terminating employees in the state personnel system who are  
3 finally convicted of criminal conduct, offenses involving moral turpitude  
4 include, but are not limited to, the disqualifying offenses specified in  
5 ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section.

6 (1.5) (2) For purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise  
7 requires:

8 (a) "Contracting employee" means a person who contracts with  
9 the ~~state~~ department and who is designated by the executive director ~~of~~  
10 ~~the state department~~ or the executive director's designee as serving in a  
11 contract position involving direct contact with vulnerable persons.

12 (b) "Conviction" means a verdict of guilty by a judge or jury or a  
13 plea of guilty or nolo contendere that is accepted by the court or  
14 adjudication for an offense that would constitute a criminal offense if  
15 committed by an adult. "Conviction" also includes having received a  
16 deferred judgment and sentence or deferred adjudication; except that a  
17 person shall not be deemed to have been convicted if the person has  
18 successfully completed a deferred sentence or deferred adjudication.

19 (c) "Direct contact" means providing face-to-face care, training,  
20 supervision, counseling, consultation, or medication assistance to  
21 vulnerable persons, regardless of the level of supervision of the employee.  
22 "Direct contact" may include positions in which persons have access to  
23 or unsupervised time with clients or patients, including but not limited to  
24 maintenance personnel, housekeeping staff, kitchen staff, and security  
25 personnel.

26 (d) "Employee" means an employee of the ~~state~~ department who  
27 is under the state personnel system of the state of Colorado.

1           (e) "~~Executive director~~" means the executive director of the state  
2 department.

3           (f) "~~State department~~" means the department of human services.

4           (g) (e) "Vulnerable person" means any individual served by the  
5 state department who is susceptible to abuse or mistreatment because of  
6 the individual's circumstances, including but not limited to the  
7 individual's age, disability, frailty, mental illness, developmental  
8 disability, or ill health.

9           (1.7) (3) The employment screening and disqualification  
10 requirements in this section apply to the following facilities or programs  
11 operated by the state department:

12           (a) Any facility operated by the state department for the care and  
13 treatment of persons with mental illness pursuant to ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65  
14 of this title;

15           (b) Any facility operated by the state department for the care and  
16 treatment of the developmentally disabled pursuant to article 10.5 of this  
17 title;

18           (c) Vocational rehabilitation services provided pursuant to article  
19 8 of title 26, C.R.S.;

20           (d) Any direct services identified and provided by the state  
21 department in which employees have direct contact with vulnerable  
22 persons in a state-operated facility or in a vulnerable person's home or  
23 residence;

24           (e) State and veterans nursing homes operated pursuant to article  
25 12 of title 26, C.R.S.;

26           (f) Any facility directly operated by the state department in which  
27 juveniles who are in the custody of the state department reside, including

1 detention or commitment centers; AND

2 (g) Any secure facility contracted for by the ~~state~~ department  
3 pursuant to section 19-2-403, C.R.S., in which juveniles who are in the  
4 custody of the ~~state~~ department reside.

5 ~~(2)~~ (4) Prior to the ~~state~~ department's permanent employment of  
6 ~~any~~ A person in a position that would require that person to have direct  
7 contact with any vulnerable person, the executive director or any division  
8 head of the ~~state~~ department shall make an inquiry to the director of the  
9 Colorado bureau of investigation to ascertain whether ~~such~~ THE person  
10 has a criminal history. ~~Such~~ THE person's employment shall be  
11 conditional upon a satisfactory criminal background check. Any criminal  
12 background check conducted pursuant to this ~~subsection~~ ~~(2)~~ SUBSECTION  
13 (4) shall include but need not be limited to arrests, conviction records, and  
14 the disposition of any criminal charges. The ~~state~~ department shall  
15 require ~~said~~ THE person to have his or her fingerprints taken by a local  
16 law enforcement agency. The local law enforcement agency shall  
17 forward those fingerprints to the Colorado bureau of investigation for the  
18 purpose of fingerprint processing utilizing the files and records of the  
19 Colorado bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation.  
20 The ~~state~~ department shall pay for the costs of criminal background  
21 checks conducted pursuant to this section out of existing appropriations.

22 ~~(3)~~ (5) The executive director or any division head shall contact  
23 previous employers of any person who is one of the top three finalists for  
24 a position that would require that person to have direct contact with any  
25 vulnerable person, for the purpose of obtaining information and  
26 recommendations that may be relevant to ~~such~~ THE person's fitness for  
27 employment. Any previous employer of an applicant for employment

1 who provides information to the executive director or a division head or  
2 who makes a recommendation concerning ~~such~~ THE person shall be  
3 immune from civil liability unless the information is false and the  
4 previous employer knows such information is false or acts with reckless  
5 disregard concerning the veracity of ~~such~~ THE information.

6 ~~(4)~~ (6) Any local agency or provider of services pursuant to this  
7 title or title 26, C.R.S., may investigate applicants for employment.

8 ~~(5)~~ (7) The executive director, any division head, or any local  
9 agency or provider who relies on information obtained pursuant to this  
10 section in making an employment decision or who concludes that the  
11 nature of any information disqualifies the person from employment as  
12 either an employee or a contracting employee shall be immune from civil  
13 liability for ~~said~~ THAT decision or conclusion unless the information relied  
14 upon is false and the executive director, division head, or local agency or  
15 provider knows ~~such~~ THE information is false or acts with reckless  
16 disregard concerning the veracity of ~~such~~ THE information.

17 ~~(6)~~ (8) The executive director may promulgate such rules as are  
18 necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

19 ~~(7)~~ ~~(a)~~ (9) (a) If the criminal background check conducted  
20 pursuant to ~~subsection (2) or (9)~~ SUBSECTION (4) OR (11) of this section  
21 indicates that a prospective employee or prospective contracting  
22 employee was convicted of any of the disqualifying offenses set forth in  
23 paragraph (b) or (c) of this ~~subsection (7)~~, ~~said~~ SUBSECTION (9), THE  
24 person shall be disqualified from employment either as an employee or  
25 as a contracting employee in a position involving direct contact with  
26 vulnerable persons. A person who is disqualified as a result of this  
27 section shall not be hired or retained by the ~~state~~ department in a position

1 involving direct contact with vulnerable persons nor be eligible to  
2 contract for or continue in a contract position designated by the executive  
3 director or the executive director's designee as involving direct contact  
4 with vulnerable persons.

5 (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d) of this  
6 ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9), a person shall be disqualified from  
7 employment either as an employee or as a contracting employee  
8 regardless of the length of time that may have passed since the discharge  
9 of the sentence imposed for any of the following criminal offenses:

10 (I) A crime of violence, as defined in section 18-1.3-406, C.R.S.;

11 (II) Any felony offense involving unlawful sexual behavior, as  
12 defined in section 16-22-102 (9), C.R.S.;

13 (III) Any felony, the underlying factual basis of which has been  
14 found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence,  
15 as defined in section 18-6-800.3, C.R.S.;

16 (IV) Any felony offense of child abuse, as defined in section  
17 18-6-401, C.R.S.; OR

18 (V) Any felony offense in any other state, the elements of which  
19 are substantially similar to the elements of any of the offenses described  
20 in subparagraph (I), (II), (III), or (IV) of this paragraph (b).

21 (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d) of this  
22 ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9), a person shall be disqualified from  
23 employment either as an employee or as a contracting employee if less  
24 than ten years have passed since the person was discharged from a  
25 sentence imposed for conviction of any of the following criminal  
26 offenses:

27 (I) Third degree assault, as described in section 18-3-204, C.R.S.;

1 (II) Any misdemeanor, the underlying factual basis of which has  
2 been found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic  
3 violence, as defined in section 18-6-800.3, C.R.S.;

4 (III) Violation of a protection order, as described in section  
5 18-6-803.5, C.R.S.;

6 (IV) Any misdemeanor offense of child abuse, as defined in  
7 section 18-6-401, C.R.S.;

8 (V) Any misdemeanor offense of sexual assault on a client by a  
9 psychotherapist, as defined in section 18-3-405.5, C.R.S.; OR

10 (VI) Any misdemeanor offense in any other state, the elements of  
11 which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the offenses  
12 described in subparagraph (I), (II), (III), (IV), or (V) of this paragraph (c).

13 (d) If a person was adjudicated a juvenile delinquent for the  
14 commission of any disqualifying offense set forth in either paragraph (b)  
15 or (c) of this ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) and more than seven years  
16 have elapsed since the commission of the offense, the person may submit  
17 a written request to the executive director as provided in ~~subsection (11)~~  
18 SUBSECTION (13) of this section for reconsideration of the  
19 disqualification.

20 ~~(8) (a)~~ (10) (a) Any employee who is employed in a position  
21 involving direct contact with vulnerable persons and who is arrested,  
22 charged with, or issued a summons and complaint for any of the  
23 disqualifying offenses set forth in paragraph (b) or (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~  
24 SUBSECTION (9) of this section shall inform his or her supervisor of the  
25 arrest, charges, or issuance of a summons and complaint before returning  
26 to work. Any employee who fails to make such a report or disclosure  
27 may be terminated from employment. The ~~state~~ department or any



1 facility operated by the ~~state~~ department shall advise its employees and  
2 contracting employees in writing of the requirement for self-reporting of  
3 the disqualifying offenses set forth in paragraph (b) or (c) of ~~subsection~~  
4 ~~(7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section.

5 (b) An employee who is charged with any of the disqualifying  
6 offenses set forth in paragraph (b) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of  
7 this section shall be suspended until resolution of the criminal charges or  
8 completion of administrative action by the ~~state~~ department. An  
9 employee who is charged with any of the disqualifying offenses set forth  
10 in paragraph (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section may be  
11 suspended at the discretion of the ~~state~~ department until resolution of the  
12 criminal charges or completion of administrative action by the ~~state~~  
13 department. The employee shall inform his or her supervisor of the  
14 disposition of the criminal charges. Any employee who fails to report  
15 such information may be terminated from employment. Upon notification  
16 to the ~~state~~ department that the employee has received a conviction for  
17 any of the disqualifying offenses described in paragraph (b) or (c) of  
18 ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section, the employee shall be  
19 terminated from employment. Nothing in this paragraph (b) shall prohibit  
20 the ~~state~~ department from taking administrative action if the employee's  
21 conduct would justify disciplinary action under section 13 of article XII  
22 of the state constitution for failure to comply with standards of efficient  
23 service or competence or for willful misconduct, willful failure, or  
24 inability to perform his or her duties.

25 ~~(9)~~(11) The general assembly recognizes that the ~~state~~ department  
26 contracts with persons to serve in positions that involve direct contact  
27 with vulnerable persons in state-operated facilities or to provide

1 state-funded services that involve direct contact with vulnerable persons  
2 in the homes and residences of such vulnerable persons. In order to  
3 protect vulnerable persons who come into contact with these contracting  
4 employees, the executive director or the executive director's designee  
5 shall designate those contract positions that involve direct contact with  
6 vulnerable persons that shall be subject to the provisions of this  
7 ~~subsection (9)~~ SUBSECTION (11). In any contract initially entered into or  
8 renewed on or after July 1, 1999, concerning a contract position that has  
9 been designated as involving direct contact with vulnerable persons, the  
10 ~~state~~ department shall include the following terms and conditions:

11 (a) That the contracting employee shall submit to a criminal  
12 background check as described in ~~subsection (2)~~ SUBSECTION (4) of this  
13 section for state employees;

14 (b) That the contracting employee shall report any arrests, charges,  
15 or summonses for any of the disqualifying offenses specified in paragraph  
16 (b) or (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section to the  
17 contracting employee's supervisor at the ~~state~~ department before returning  
18 to work;

19 (c) That the contracting employee may be suspended or  
20 terminated, at the discretion of the ~~state~~ department, prior to the  
21 resolution of the criminal charges for any of the disqualifying offenses  
22 specified in paragraph (b) or (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this  
23 section;

24 (d) That, upon notification to the ~~state~~ department that the  
25 contracting employee has received a conviction for any of the  
26 disqualifying offenses described in paragraph (b) or (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~  
27 SUBSECTION (9) of this section, the contracting employee's position with

1 the ~~state~~ department shall be terminated.

2 ~~(10)~~ (12) An employee or contracting employee who is  
3 disqualified due to conviction of any of the disqualifying offenses set  
4 forth in paragraph (b) or (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this  
5 section may submit a written request to the executive director for  
6 reconsideration of the disqualification. Reconsideration under this  
7 ~~subsection (10)~~ SUBSECTION (12) may only be based on a mistake of fact  
8 such as an error in the identity of the person for whom the criminal  
9 background check was performed. If the executive director determines  
10 that there was a mistake of fact involving the identity of the person, the  
11 executive director shall issue a finding that the disqualifying factor is not  
12 a bar to the person's employment either as an employee or as a contracting  
13 employee.

14 ~~(11)~~ (a) (13) (a) An employee or contracting employee who is  
15 disqualified for conviction of an offense specified in paragraph (c) of  
16 ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section may submit a written  
17 request to the executive director for reconsideration of the disqualification  
18 and a review of whether the person poses a risk of harm to vulnerable  
19 persons. In reviewing a disqualification, the executive director shall give  
20 predominant weight to the safety of vulnerable persons over the interests  
21 of the disqualified person. The final determination shall be based upon  
22 a review of:

- 23 (I) The seriousness of the disqualifying offense;
- 24 (II) Whether the person has a conviction for more than one  
25 disqualifying offense;
- 26 (III) The vulnerability of the victim at the time the disqualifying  
27 offense was committed;

1 (IV) The time elapsed without a repeat of the same or similar  
2 disqualifying offense;

3 (V) Documentation of successful completion of training or  
4 rehabilitation pertinent to the disqualifying offense; AND

5 (VI) Any other relevant information submitted by the  
6 DISQUALIFIED person.

7 (b) The decision of the executive director shall constitute final  
8 agency action.

9 ~~(12)~~ (14) Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude the  
10 state department or the director of any facility operated by the state  
11 department from adopting a policy regarding self-reporting of arrests,  
12 charges, or summonses or a policy regarding disqualification from  
13 employment that includes other offenses not set forth in paragraph (b) or  
14 (c) of ~~subsection (7)~~ SUBSECTION (9) of this section.

15 **ARTICLE 91**

16 **Institutions - General Administrative Provisions**

17 **27-91-101. [Formerly 27-2-101] Legislative declaration.** The  
18 purpose of this section and ~~section 27-2-102~~ SECTION 27-91-102 is to  
19 provide for the payment of actual expenses only, in lieu of stated salaries  
20 and mileage, to all members of boards of control of state institutions.

21 **27-91-102. [Formerly 27-2-102] Boards of control entitled**  
22 **only to actual expenses.** ~~Members~~ A MEMBER of ~~boards~~ A BOARD of  
23 control, trustees, or commissioners of all institutions supported by or  
24 under the patronage and control of the state shall receive as compensation  
25 for ~~their~~ HIS OR HER services only actual expenses incurred in attendance  
26 upon and in going to and returning from each regular and special meeting  
27 of ~~said boards~~ THE BOARD of control, trustees, or commissioners or for

1 performing any services whatever for the institution of which ~~they are~~  
2 ~~members~~ HE OR SHE IS A MEMBER of the board of control, trustees, or  
3 commissioners, payment to be made out of the funds appropriated for the  
4 support and maintenance of the respective institutions. In all cases of  
5 cash paid out by the ~~said members of boards~~ MEMBER OF A BOARD of  
6 control, trustees, or commissioners, an itemized account, accompanied by  
7 the proper vouchers therefor, signed by the party to whom such money  
8 has been paid, shall accompany the vouchers upon which all warrants for  
9 such expenditures shall issue.

10 **27-91-103. [Formerly 27-2-103] Debts in excess of**  
11 **appropriation - emergencies.** The various officers designated by law to  
12 control and direct the fiscal affairs of the several state institutions shall  
13 not contract within any year any indebtedness in excess of the amount  
14 named in any appropriation made for the support of any state institution  
15 during that time; but, in cases of emergency, the governor may authorize  
16 the contraction of such indebtedness ~~as~~ THAT in his OR HER judgment is  
17 absolutely necessary for the maintenance and support of the institution,  
18 until such time as the general assembly meets. The officers of any state  
19 institution, supported by the levy of any special tax, shall contract no  
20 indebtedness in any year in excess of eighty percent of the gross amount  
21 of the levy made for that year from which to support that institution.

22 **27-91-104. [Formerly 27-2-104] The term "officer" includes**  
23 **members of boards.** The term "officer" as used in ~~section 27-2-105~~  
24 SECTION 27-91-105 includes any member of the various boards created by  
25 law to govern or supervise the respective state institutions.

26 **27-91-105. [Formerly 27-2-105] Indebtedness limited to**  
27 **appropriation.** It is unlawful for any officer of any state institution of

1 this state to incur or contract any indebtedness for, on behalf of, or in the  
2 name of ~~such~~ THE state institution or in the name of the state in excess of  
3 the sum appropriated by the general assembly for the use or support of  
4 ~~such~~ THE institution for the fiscal year. ~~No~~ AN officer of any state  
5 institution shall NOT draw any money from the state treasury unless the  
6 same is absolutely needed and required by ~~such~~ THE institution at the  
7 time, and then only upon the warrant of the controller.

8 **27-91-106. [Formerly 27-2-106] Violation - penalty.** Any  
9 person who violates any of the provisions of ~~section 27-2-105~~ SECTION  
10 27-91-105 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall  
11 be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars.

12 **27-91-107. [Formerly 27-2-107] Purchase of supplies by and**  
13 **from institutions.** (1) The following designated state institutions are  
14 within the purview of this section: All facilities of the departments of  
15 corrections and human services, the Colorado mental health institute at  
16 Pueblo, the Wheat Ridge regional center, the Grand Junction regional  
17 center, the Pueblo regional center, the Lookout Mountain school at  
18 Golden, the Mount View school at Morrison, the Colorado industries for  
19 the blind, and the Colorado psychiatric hospital.

20 (2) When any of ~~such~~ THE institutions ENUMERATED IN  
21 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION are in need of supplies ~~such as~~ THAT are  
22 grown, produced, or manufactured by any other of ~~such~~ THE institutions,  
23 it shall purchase the same from ~~such~~ THE other institution if it has a  
24 surplus thereof of suitable quality available for sale at a price not in  
25 excess of the current market price for such supplies, and it is the duty of  
26 the managing boards of such respective institutions to require observance  
27 of the provisions of this section.

1           **27-91-108. [Formerly 27-2-108] Display of flags.** (1) The chief  
2 administrative officer of any state institution supported in whole or in part  
3 by the state and under the control of the state shall have erected and  
4 maintained, at the entrance of the institution or on the principal  
5 administrative building or grounds thereof, a suitable flagstaff with the  
6 attachments necessary for the display of flags and shall cause to be  
7 displayed thereon the flags of the United States and of the state of  
8 Colorado. The flag of the state of Colorado shall be the same size as the  
9 flag of the United States with which it is displayed. If both flags are  
10 displayed on one flagstaff, the flag of the state of Colorado shall be  
11 placed below the flag of the United States.

12           (2) (a) The chief administrative officer of any court facility  
13 supported in whole or in part by the state and under the control of the  
14 state shall cause to be permanently and prominently displayed the flag of  
15 the United States, as described in chapter 1 of title 4, U.S.C., in each  
16 courtroom when a court proceeding is in session. A flag displayed in a  
17 courtroom must measure three by five feet. No alleged failure to cause  
18 the flag of the United States to be permanently and prominently displayed  
19 in a courtroom supported in whole or in part by the state and under the  
20 control of the state shall be the basis of any challenge to such court's  
21 authority or jurisdiction or for any appeal of any decision, order, or  
22 judgment of such court.

23           (b) The flags of the United States and of the state of Colorado  
24 shall be permanently and prominently displayed in all committee rooms  
25 under the control of the general assembly of the state of Colorado.

26           (c) On and after September 1, 1996, the chief administrative  
27 officer of any school supported in whole or in part by the state and under

1 the control of the state shall cause to be displayed permanently and  
2 prominently the flag of the United States, as described in chapter 1 of title  
3 4, U.S.C., in each academic classroom when an academic class is in  
4 session. A flag displayed in an academic classroom shall measure no less  
5 than either twelve by eighteen inches if it is displayed in a frame or two  
6 by three feet if it is displayed on a flagstaff.

7 (3) The chief administrative officer of any school or court facility  
8 supported in whole or in part by the state and under the control of the  
9 state is hereby authorized to accept donations of flags to be displayed in  
10 classrooms or courtrooms pursuant to the provisions of subsection (2) of  
11 this section.

12 (4) (a) The chief administrative officer of any state institution,  
13 school, or court facility described in this section shall not permit the  
14 display of any depiction or representation of a flag of the United States  
15 that is intended for public view and permanently affixed or attached to  
16 any part of the building or grounds of said state institution, school, or  
17 court facility, and which display does not conform with 4 U.S.C. sec. 7.

18 (b) Nothing in this subsection (4) shall be construed to preclude  
19 the temporary display of any instructional or historical materials or  
20 student work product included as part of a lesson not permanently affixed  
21 or attached to any part of said building or grounds.

22 (5) Any flag of the United States displayed pursuant to this section  
23 shall be displayed as described in 4 U.S.C. sec. 7.

24 **27-91-109. [Formerly 27-2-108.5] Personal display of flags.**

25 (1) The right to display reasonably the flag of the United States shall not  
26 be infringed with respect to the display:

27 (a) On an individual's person;



1 (b) Anywhere on an individual's personal or real property; and

2 (c) In the buildings or on the grounds of any tax-supported  
3 property in the state; except that the state or political subdivision that has  
4 jurisdiction over the building or grounds may adopt reasonable rules and  
5 regulations regarding the size, number, placement, manner of display, and  
6 lighting of the flag, and the location, size, and height of flagpoles.

7 (2) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (1) of this  
8 section to the contrary, the right with respect to an individual's real  
9 property shall be subject to reasonable restrictive covenants or equitable  
10 servitudes; except that no such covenant or servitude, nor any owners'  
11 association shall prohibit the outdoor display of the flag of the United  
12 States by a property owner on that owner's property if the flag is displayed  
13 in a manner consistent with chapter 1 of title 4 of the United States Code,  
14 as amended.

15 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (a) of this  
16 subsection (2) to the contrary, an owners' association, the state, or a  
17 political subdivision may adopt reasonable rules and regulations  
18 regarding the size, number, placement, manner of display, and lighting of  
19 the flag, and the location, size, and height of flagpoles.

20 (3) For purposes of this section, "display reasonably" shall be  
21 presumed to include a display of the flag of the United States that is  
22 consistent with chapter 1 of title 4 of the United States Code, as amended.

23 (4) A right described in subsection (1) of this section is a civil  
24 right of free speech and a protected form of expression under the first  
25 amendment to the United States constitution and section 10 of article II  
26 of the state constitution.

27 **ARTICLE 92**

1 **Institutions - Charges for Patients**

2 **27-92-101. [Formerly 27-12-101] Liability.** (1) When any A  
3 person is admitted, committed, or transferred to any A public institution  
4 of this state supervised by the department of human services for the care,  
5 support, maintenance, education, or treatment of persons with mental  
6 illness, the person, his or her spouse, and his or her parents shall be liable  
7 for the costs of his or her care, support, maintenance, and treatment to the  
8 extent and in the manner provided in this article. No other relatives of the  
9 person shall be liable to any extent for such costs.

10 (2) The provisions of this article shall apply also to those persons  
11 received under the provisions of article 8 of title 16 and sections  
12 16-13-216, 19-2-922, and 19-2-923, C.R.S., but not by way of exclusion.

13 **27-92-102. [Formerly 27-12-102] Cost determination.** (1) The  
14 department of human services shall periodically determine the individual  
15 cost for the care, support, maintenance, treatment, and education of the  
16 patients of each of ~~such~~ THE PUBLIC institutions SUPERVISED BY THE  
17 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. In making ~~such~~ THE determination,  
18 it is proper for the department to use averaging methods to the extent that  
19 it is not practicable, in the judgment of the executive director of the  
20 department of human services, to compute the actual cost for each patient.

21 (2) With respect to any A resident patient who is under the age of  
22 twenty-one years, ~~there shall be deducted~~ THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
23 SERVICES SHALL DEDUCT from the DETERMINED cost ~~so determined~~  
24 amount equal to the average per capita cost for the education of children  
25 with disabilities pursuant to article 20 of title 22, C.R.S.

26 **27-92-103. [Formerly 27-12-103] Extent of liability.** (1) ~~There~~  
27 ~~shall be assessed~~ THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SHALL ASSESS

1 against the ~~said~~ patient, spouse, or parents made liable by ~~section~~  
2 ~~27-12-101~~ SECTION 27-92-101, or any of them, all or such part of the cost  
3 as they are respectively able to pay, but ~~there shall not be assessed against~~  
4 ~~such~~ THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SHALL NOT ASSESS AGAINST  
5 THE LIABLE persons in the aggregate more than the whole of such cost.

6 (2) The liability of each parent shall cease when such parent has  
7 completed payments as assessed in this article for one hundred eighty  
8 months subsequent to May 1, 1964, or upon the patient's eighteenth  
9 birthday, whichever event first occurs.

10 **27-92-104. [Formerly 27-12-104] Determination of ability to**

11 **pay.** (1) All insurance and other benefits payable for the care, support,  
12 maintenance, and treatment of a patient shall be considered available for  
13 payment of the cost determined under ~~section 27-12-102~~ SECTION  
14 27-92-102.

15 (2) The department of human services shall determine the ability  
16 of a patient and his OR HER spouse to pay the balance of ~~such~~ THE cost by  
17 consideration of the following factors: Income reportable under Colorado  
18 law; the age of the patient and spouse; the number of dependents, their  
19 ages, and their mental and physical condition; provision for retirement  
20 years; the length of the patient's care or treatment; liabilities; and assets.  
21 ~~Such~~ THE determination shall be made according to schedules contained  
22 in published rules, adopted in accordance with the provisions of article 4  
23 of title 24, C.R.S.

24 (3) If it is determined that the patient and his OR HER spouse are  
25 unable to pay the entire cost determined under ~~section 27-12-102~~ SECTION  
26 27-92-102 and the length of the patient's care and treatment at a state  
27 institution is reasonably anticipated to be less than six months, the

1 department of human services shall determine the parent's ability to pay  
2 by consideration of the same factors referred to in subsection (2) of this  
3 section, applying each such factor to the parent.

4 (4) If it is determined that the patient and his OR HER spouse are  
5 unable to pay the entire cost determined under ~~section 27-12-102~~ SECTION  
6 27-92-102 and the length of the patient's care and treatment at a state  
7 institution is reasonably anticipated to exceed six months, the department  
8 of human services shall determine the parent's ability to pay by reference  
9 to ~~such~~ THE parent's net taxable income reportable under Colorado law  
10 and to the patient's length of care or treatment. At the request of the  
11 parent, the department shall also consider other factors relevant to the  
12 interest of avoiding undue hardship to the family unit. ~~Such~~ Other factors  
13 may include the parent's age, provision for retirement years, assets,  
14 liabilities, and the number of dependents, their mental and physical  
15 condition, and their educational requirements. ~~Such~~ THE determination  
16 shall be made according to schedules contained in published rules  
17 adopted in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

18 (5) Should any parent not file a Colorado income tax return, ~~such~~  
19 THE parent's net Colorado taxable income equivalent shall be determined  
20 by reference to his OR HER United States income tax return as though all  
21 the income disclosed by ~~such~~ THAT return had been derived from sources  
22 within Colorado, and ~~said~~ THE table of rates shall be applied to ~~such~~ THE  
23 net taxable income equivalent.

24 (6) Upon the willful failure of any patient, spouse, or parent to  
25 furnish to the department of human services, upon request, copies of his  
26 OR HER income tax returns, ~~such person~~ HE OR SHE shall be deemed to  
27 have THE ability to pay the entire cost determined under this article.

1           (7) Every agency and department of the state is required to render  
2 all reasonable assistance to the executive director of the department of  
3 human services in obtaining all information necessary for proper  
4 implementation of the purposes of this article. Nothing in this subsection  
5 (7) shall be construed to require the department of revenue to produce a  
6 copy of any person's income tax return solely upon the request of the  
7 department of human services, but the department of revenue shall deliver  
8 a copy of any such return upon the request of the taxpayer or his OR HER  
9 duly authorized representative, pursuant to section 39-21-113 (4), C.R.S.

10           **27-92-105. [Formerly 27-12-105] Effect of determination.** A  
11 determination of the ability of a patient, spouse, or parent to pay shall  
12 remain in effect until a redetermination is made.

13           **27-92-106. [Formerly 27-12-106] Appeal.** Appeals from the  
14 determination of the ability of a patient or relative to pay, as provided in  
15 this article, may be taken to any court of record in Colorado having  
16 jurisdiction of the patient or his OR HER spouse or parents liable for ~~such~~  
17 payment; but no ~~such~~ appeal may be taken until the executive director of  
18 the department of human services has ruled upon a written request for a  
19 review of ~~such~~ THE determination. ~~Such~~ THE request shall be made  
20 within sixty days after receipt of notification of the ~~said~~ determination,  
21 and the applicant shall be notified of the decision of the ~~said~~ executive  
22 director within forty-five days after the receipt of the ~~said~~ applicant's  
23 request for review.

24           **27-92-107. [Formerly 27-12-107] Service.** Service of any  
25 notification, information, or request for information, review, or  
26 redetermination, accomplished by certified mail, return receipt requested,  
27 or in any manner provided by the Colorado rules of civil procedure, shall

1 be sufficient for all purposes of this article.

2 **27-92-108. [Formerly 27-12-108] Certificate - prima facie**  
3 **evidence.** In any action or proceeding to enforce the claims of the state  
4 provided for in this article, a certificate by the chief administrative officer  
5 of the institution involved or the executive director of the department of  
6 human services as to any fact or matter necessary to the establishment of  
7 ~~said~~ THE claim which is a matter of record in the institution or in the  
8 department of human services shall constitute prima facie evidence.  
9 ~~thereof.~~

10 **27-92-109. [Formerly 27-12-109] Further actions.** (1) ~~Any A~~  
11 patient, spouse, or parent liable by this article who fails to pay the  
12 amounts assessed pursuant to this article shall be proceeded against in any  
13 manner authorized by law for the collection of sums due and owing to the  
14 state of Colorado.

15 (2) All property of ~~said~~ persons LIABLE PURSUANT TO THIS  
16 ARTICLE shall be subject to application to ~~said~~ claims irrespective of its  
17 origin, composition, or source subject to the exemptions set forth in  
18 section 13-54-102, C.R.S.

19 (3) Claims against responsible relatives in other states may be  
20 enforced as claims for support under the provisions of the "Uniform  
21 Interstate Family Support Act", article 5 of title 14, C.R.S.

22 (4) In the absence of fraud, ~~said~~ THE patient, spouse, and parents  
23 shall be liable only to the extent of assessments actually made against  
24 them respectively in accordance with this article.

25 **ARTICLE 93**

26 **Colorado Mental Health Institute at Pueblo**

27 **27-93-101. [Formerly 27-13-101] Institute established.**

1 (1) There is hereby established the Colorado mental health institute at  
2 Pueblo for the treatment and cure of persons who may have mental illness  
3 from any cause and for other persons in state institutions on an inpatient  
4 and outpatient basis and in state programs relating to the treatment of  
5 alcoholism and drugs who may require medical care and treatment within  
6 the capabilities of the staff and facilities of the institute.

7 (2) All materials without limitation that contain the former names  
8 of the Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan and the Colorado  
9 mental health institute at Pueblo shall be utilized to the maximum extent  
10 possible in the ordinary course of business before being replaced.

11 (3) The Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo is authorized  
12 to contract, pursuant to the federal government procurement process, with  
13 federal agencies to provide psychiatric, medical, and surgical services at  
14 the institute to persons under the care of or in the custody or control of an  
15 agency of the federal government, so long as the provision of such  
16 services does not exceed the capabilities of the staff and facilities of the  
17 institute and does not preempt services to state patients.

18 **27-93-102. [Formerly 27-13-102] Capacity to take property.**  
19 The Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo is authorized to receive  
20 gifts, legacies, devises, and conveyances of property, real or personal, that  
21 may be made, given, or granted to or for the Colorado mental health  
22 institute at Pueblo. The chief officer of the ~~hospital~~ INSTITUTE, with the  
23 approval of the governor, shall make disposition of such gifts or property  
24 as may be for the best interest of said Colorado mental health institute at  
25 Pueblo.

26 **27-93-103. [Formerly 27-13-103] Employees - publications.**  
27 (1) The head of the administrative division overseeing the Colorado

1 mental health institute at Pueblo shall appoint or employ, pursuant to  
2 section 13 of article XII of the state constitution, such administrators,  
3 physicians, nurses, attendants, and additional employees as may be  
4 necessary for the proper conduct of said institute. The head of the  
5 administrative division may contract with the board of regents of the  
6 university of Colorado health sciences center or any other governing  
7 board of a state-supported institution of higher education for the provision  
8 of services by physicians and other health care practitioners when deemed  
9 necessary for the proper conduct of the institute. During the performance  
10 of any duties by the physicians and other health care practitioners for the  
11 department of human services, the physicians and other health care  
12 practitioners are "public employees" as defined in section 24-10-103 (4),  
13 C.R.S., and the limitation of section 24-30-1517 (2), C.R.S., shall not  
14 apply.

15 (2) Publications of the institute circulated in quantity outside the  
16 institute shall be subject to the approval and control of the executive  
17 director of the department of human services.

18 **27-93-104. [Formerly 27-13-109] Authorized utilization of**  
19 **medical facilities at institute - equipment replacement fund.** (1) ~~Any~~  
20 A person committed to the custody of or cared for in the department of  
21 human services or the department of corrections who requires medical  
22 care and treatment ~~which~~ THAT can be advantageously treated by  
23 psychiatric, medical, or surgical care available at the Colorado mental  
24 health institute at Pueblo may be treated at ~~said~~ THE institute. Charges for  
25 patient care and treatment shall be made in the manner provided in ~~article~~  
26 ~~42~~ ARTICLE 92 of this title. A specific appropriation shall be made  
27 annually for the general medical division of the Colorado mental health



1 institute at Pueblo, based upon projections of the total patient load and  
2 associated costs from all institutions, and the department of human  
3 services shall determine at least annually the per diem expenses and the  
4 actual utilization of the general medical division by each institution,  
5 including other divisions of the Colorado mental health institute at  
6 Pueblo.

7 (2) ~~Any~~ A person under the care of or in the custody or control of  
8 an agency of the federal government whose psychiatric, medical, or  
9 surgical needs could be advantageously treated at the Colorado mental  
10 health institute at Pueblo may be treated at ~~said~~ THE institute pursuant to  
11 a contract between the institute and the agency of the federal government.

12 (3) ~~Any such~~ A contract ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION  
13 (2) OF THIS SECTION shall cover the full direct and indirect costs of ~~such~~  
14 services as determined by generally accepted accounting principles and  
15 shall include a fee to cover the need for replacement of existing  
16 equipment which would occur because of this additional use. All fees  
17 collected pursuant to this subsection (3) shall be collected by the  
18 Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo and shall be transmitted to the  
19 state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the equipment replacement  
20 fund, which fund is hereby created. Moneys in the equipment  
21 replacement fund shall be appropriated by the general assembly on an  
22 annual basis to the department of human services for replacement of  
23 existing equipment made necessary pursuant to this section.

24 **27-93-105. [Formerly 27-13-110] Alternative uses for institute**  
25 **facilities.** (†) The department of human services shall determine the  
26 existence of resources at THE Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo  
27 that are in excess of the needs of the primary purpose of ~~said~~ THE institute

1 and may make available to the regents of the university of Colorado, on  
2 mutually agreeable terms, a maximum of ten beds at ~~said~~ THE institute for  
3 the purpose of teaching students in the family practice medical training  
4 program conducted by and under the control of the regents. ~~Such~~ THE  
5 resources shall be a supplement to any existing health care resources and  
6 academic facilities in the region.

7 ~~(2) Repealed.~~

8

## ARTICLE 94

9

### Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan

10 **27-94-101. [Formerly 27-15-101] Legislative declaration.** In  
11 order to provide a program to promote mental health in the state of  
12 Colorado, a mental health center is established as provided in this article.

13 **27-94-102. [Formerly 27-15-102] Establishment of mental**  
14 **health center.** (1) There is hereby established at the site of Fort Logan,  
15 Denver county, Colorado, a mental health center to be known as the  
16 Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan, referred to in this article  
17 as the "center". The center shall be under the general supervision and  
18 control of the department of human services.

19 (2) All materials without limitation that contain the former names  
20 of the Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan and the Colorado  
21 mental health institute at Pueblo shall be utilized to the maximum extent  
22 possible in the ordinary course of business before being replaced.

23 **27-94-103. [Formerly 27-15-103] Employees - publications.**  
24 (1) The head of the administrative division overseeing the center shall  
25 appoint or employ, pursuant to section 13 of article XII of the state  
26 constitution, ~~such~~ administrators, physicians, nurses, attendants, and  
27 additional employees as ~~may be~~ necessary for the proper conduct of ~~said~~

1 THE center. The head of the administrative division may contract with the  
2 board of regents of the university of Colorado health sciences center for  
3 the provision of services by physicians when deemed necessary for the  
4 proper conduct of the center, and during the performance of any duties by  
5 ~~such~~ THE physicians for the department of human services, ~~such~~ THE  
6 physicians are "public employees" as defined in section 24-10-103 (4),  
7 C.R.S., and the limitation of section 24-30-1517 (2), C.R.S., shall not  
8 apply.

9 (2) Publications of the center circulated in quantity outside the  
10 center shall be subject to the approval and control of the executive  
11 director of the department of human services.

12 **27-94-104. [Formerly 27-15-104] Capacity to take property.**  
13 The center is authorized to receive gifts, legacies, devises, and  
14 conveyances of property, real and personal, that may be granted or given  
15 to the center. The executive director of the department of human  
16 services, with the approval of the governor, shall make disposition of  
17 such property as may be for the best interest of said center.

18 **27-94-105. [Formerly 27-15-105] Admissions to center -**  
19 **transfers - releases.** (1) ~~Any~~ A person who by law is committed to the  
20 department of human services for placement in a state hospital may be  
21 committed to or placed in the center upon order of a court of competent  
22 jurisdiction, except those persons committed to the Colorado mental  
23 health institute at Pueblo pursuant to a judicial determination of not guilty  
24 by reason of insanity and those persons committed under section 16-8-106  
25 (1), C.R.S., relating to commitments for observation and examination.

26 (2) ~~Any~~ A person placed at the center may be transferred to the  
27 Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo, the Wheat Ridge regional

1 center, the Grand Junction regional center, the Pueblo regional center, the  
2 Mount View school, or the Lookout Mountain school in accordance with  
3 law.

4 (3) ~~Any~~ A person placed at the center may be released under such  
5 terms and conditions as would entitle him OR HER to his OR HER release  
6 from the Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo.

7 **SECTION 3.** 2-3-1304 (1) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended to read:

9 **2-3-1304. Powers and duties of capital development**  
10 **committee.** (1) The capital development committee shall have the  
11 following powers and duties:

12 (e) To review facilities program plans of the department of  
13 corrections for correctional facilities pursuant to section 17-1-104.8,  
14 C.R.S., and facilities program plans of the department of human services  
15 for juvenile facilities pursuant to ~~section 27-1-104.5~~ SECTION 27-90-106,  
16 C.R.S., and make recommendations regarding those plans to the joint  
17 budget committee;

18 **SECTION 4.** 7-60-132 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
19 amended to read:

20 **7-60-132. Dissolution by decree of court.** (1) On application by  
21 or for a partner, the court shall decree a dissolution if:

22 (a) A partner has been determined by the court to be mentally  
23 incompetent to such a degree that the partner is incapable of performing  
24 the partner's part of the partnership contract or a court of competent  
25 jurisdiction has made such a finding pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of article  
26 14 of title 15 or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109  
27 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S.;

1           **SECTION 5.** 8-73-108 (4) (b) (IV) (C), Colorado Revised  
2 Statutes, is amended to read:

3           **8-73-108. Benefit awards - repeal.** (4) **Full award.** An  
4 individual separated from a job shall be given a full award of benefits if  
5 any of the following reasons and pertinent conditions related thereto are  
6 determined by the division to have existed. The determination of whether  
7 or not the separation from employment shall result in a full award of  
8 benefits shall be the responsibility of the division. The following reasons  
9 shall be considered, along with any other factors that may be pertinent to  
10 such determination:

11           (b) (IV) The off-the-job or on-the-job use of not medically  
12 prescribed intoxicating beverages or controlled substances, as defined in  
13 section 12-22-303 (7), C.R.S., may be reason for a determination for a  
14 full award pursuant to this paragraph (b), but only if:

15           (C) A worker who is not affiliated with an approved treatment  
16 program must present to the division within four weeks after the date of  
17 the medical statement referred to in sub-subparagraph (B) of this  
18 subparagraph (IV), substantiation of registration in a program of  
19 corrective action that will commence within four weeks after the date of  
20 the medical statement and that is provided by an approved private  
21 treatment facility or an approved public treatment facility as defined in  
22 ~~section 25-1-302 (2) or (3)~~ SECTION 27-81-102 (2) OR (3), C.R.S., or by  
23 an alcoholics anonymous program. ~~Such~~ THE substantiation shall be in  
24 writing to the division and signed by an authorized representative of the  
25 approved treatment program.

26           **SECTION 6.** 10-3.5-108 (3) (d), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:

1           **10-3.5-108. Distributions - remittance of portion of proceeds.**  
2           (3) (d) The executive director of the department of human services shall  
3           direct each certified capital company that reports to the division pursuant  
4           to paragraph (b) of this subsection (3) to transfer to one or more approved  
5           community mental health clinics or approved community mental health  
6           centers, as defined in ~~section 27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101, C.R.S., an  
7           amount of money equal to one-half of the amount identified in such report  
8           to be used solely for the purposes identified in ~~sections 27-1-203 and~~  
9           ~~27-1-204 (5)~~ SECTIONS 27-66-103 AND 27-66-104 (3), C.R.S., taking into  
10          account the standards contained in ~~section 27-1-205~~ SECTION 27-66-105,  
11          C.R.S.

12           **SECTION 7.** 12-32-108.3 (10), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
13          amended to read:

14           **12-32-108.3. Disciplinary action by board.** (10) In case any  
15          person holding a license to practice podiatry in this state is determined to  
16          be mentally incompetent or insane by a court of competent jurisdiction  
17          and a court enters, pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15 or  
18          ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127,  
19          C.R.S., an order specifically finding that the mental incompetency or  
20          insanity is of such a degree that the person holding a license is incapable  
21          of continuing to practice podiatry, his OR HER license shall automatically  
22          be suspended by the board, and, anything in this article to the contrary  
23          notwithstanding, such suspension shall continue until the licensee is  
24          found by such court to be competent to practice podiatry.

25           **SECTION 8.** 12-33-117 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
26          amended to read:

27           **12-33-117. Discipline of licensees - letters of admonition,**

1 **suspension, revocation, denial, and probation - grounds.** (5) In the  
2 event any person holding a license to practice chiropractic in this state is  
3 determined to be mentally incompetent or insane by a court of competent  
4 jurisdiction and a court enters, pursuant to part 3 or 4 of article 14 of title  
5 15 or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR  
6 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order specifically finding that the mental  
7 incompetency or insanity is of such a degree that the person holding a  
8 license is incapable of continuing to practice chiropractic, his OR HER  
9 license shall automatically be suspended by the board, and, anything in  
10 this article to the contrary notwithstanding, such suspension shall  
11 continue until the licentiate is found by such court to be competent to  
12 practice chiropractic.

13 **SECTION 9.** 12-36-118 (8), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended to read:

15 **12-36-118. Disciplinary action by board - immunity.** (8) If any  
16 licensee is determined to be mentally incompetent or insane by a court of  
17 competent jurisdiction and a court enters, pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of  
18 article 14 of title 15 or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION  
19 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order specifically finding that the  
20 mental incompetency or insanity is of such a degree that the licensee is  
21 incapable of continuing to practice medicine or practice as a physician  
22 assistant, his or her license shall automatically be suspended by the board,  
23 and, anything in this article to the contrary notwithstanding, such  
24 suspension shall continue until the licensee is found by such court to be  
25 competent to practice medicine or practice as a physician assistant.

26 **SECTION 10.** 12-38-116.5 (7), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:

1           **12-38-116.5. Disciplinary procedures of the board - inquiry**  
2           **and hearings panels.** (7) In case any nurse is determined to be mentally  
3 incompetent or insane by a court of competent jurisdiction and a court  
4 enters, pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15 or ~~section~~  
5 ~~27-10-109(4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S.,  
6 an order specifically finding that the mental incompetency or insanity is  
7 of such a degree that the nurse is incapable of continuing the practice of  
8 nursing, the nurse's license shall automatically be suspended by the board,  
9 and, notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary, such  
10 suspension shall continue until the nurse is found by such court to be  
11 competent to continue the practice of nursing.

12           **SECTION 11.** 12-43-214 (2) and (4) (b), Colorado Revised  
13 Statutes, are amended to read:

14           **12-43-214. Mandatory disclosure of information to clients.**  
15 (2) If the client is a child who is consenting to mental health services  
16 pursuant to ~~section 27-10-103~~ SECTION 27-65-103, C.R.S., disclosure  
17 shall be made to the child. If the client is a child whose parent or legal  
18 guardian is consenting to mental health services, disclosure shall be made  
19 to the parent or legal guardian.

20           (4) The disclosure of information required by subsection (1) of  
21 this section is not required when psychotherapy is being administered in  
22 any of the following circumstances:

23           (b) Pursuant to a court order or involuntary procedures pursuant  
24 to ~~sections 27-10-105 to 27-10-109~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 TO 27-65-109,  
25 C.R.S.;

26           **SECTION 12.** 12-43-215 (8), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:



1           **12-43-215. Scope of article - exemptions.** (8) The provisions of  
2 section 12-43-702.5 shall not apply to employees of community mental  
3 health centers or clinics as those centers or clinics are defined by ~~section~~  
4 ~~27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101, C.R.S., but such persons practicing outside  
5 the scope of employment as employees of a facility defined by ~~section~~  
6 ~~27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101, C.R.S., shall be subject to the provisions  
7 of section 12-43-702.5.

8           **SECTION 13.** 12-43-803 (1) and (3), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
9 are amended to read:

10           **12-43-803. Licensure or certification of addiction counselors**  
11 **- authority of director - rules.** (1) The director is authorized to certify  
12 and discipline certified or licensed addiction counselors. The division of  
13 alcohol and drug abuse UNIT in the department of human services THAT  
14 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
15 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, shall  
16 exercise all other rights, powers, duties, functions, and obligations vested  
17 in those entities concerning certified or licensed addiction counselors  
18 pursuant to ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.

19           (3) In addition to addiction counselors specifically authorized to  
20 be certified or licensed for approved programs pursuant to ~~part 2 of article~~  
21 ~~1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., the director may certify or  
22 license addiction counselors, upon individual application, in any alcohol  
23 or drug abuse treatment program required as a condition of probation  
24 under part 2 of article 1.3 of title 18, C.R.S., any alcohol or drug abuse  
25 program administered by the division of adult services under part 1 of  
26 article 2 of title 17, C.R.S., any community corrections facility or program  
27 administered under article 27 of title 17, C.R.S., and any alcohol or drug

1 abuse treatment program administered by the division of youth  
2 corrections under title 19, C.R.S.

3 **SECTION 14.** 12-64-111 (1) (w), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read:

5 **12-64-111. Discipline of licensees.** (1) Upon signed complaint  
6 by any complainant or upon its own motion, the board may proceed to a  
7 hearing in conformity with section 12-64-112. After a hearing, and by a  
8 concurrence of a majority of members, the board may revoke or suspend  
9 the license of, place on probation, or otherwise discipline or fine, any  
10 licensed veterinarian for any of the following reasons:

11 (w) A determination that he OR SHE is mentally incompetent by a  
12 court of competent jurisdiction and such court has entered, pursuant to  
13 part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15 or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or~~  
14 ~~27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
15 specifically finding that the mental incompetency is of such a degree that  
16 he OR SHE is incapable of continuing to practice veterinary medicine;

17 **SECTION 15.** 13-5-142 (1) (b), (1) (c), (3) (b) (II), and (3) (b)  
18 (III), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

19 **13-5-142. National instant criminal background check system**  
20 **- reporting.** (1) Beginning July 1, 2002, the clerk of the court of every  
21 judicial district in the state shall periodically report the following  
22 information to the national instant criminal background check system  
23 created by the federal "Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act" (Pub.L.  
24 103-159), the relevant portion of which is codified at 18 U.S.C. sec. 922  
25 (t):

26 (b) The name of each person who has been committed by order of  
27 the court to the custody of the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT in

1 the department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
2 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
3 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, pursuant to ~~section 25-1-311 or~~  
4 ~~25-1-1107~~ SECTION 27-81-112 OR 27-82-108, C.R.S.; and

5 (c) The name of each person with respect to whom the court has  
6 entered an order for involuntary certification for short-term treatment of  
7 mental illness pursuant to ~~section 27-10-107~~ SECTION 27-65-107, C.R.S.,  
8 for extended certification for treatment of mental illness pursuant to  
9 ~~section 27-10-108~~ SECTION 27-65-108, C.R.S., or for long-term care and  
10 treatment of mental illness pursuant to ~~section 27-10-109~~ SECTION  
11 27-65-109, C.R.S.

12 (3) The clerk of the court of every judicial district in the state shall  
13 take all necessary steps to cancel a record made by that clerk in the  
14 national instant criminal background check system if:

15 (b) No less than three years before the date of the written request:

16 (II) The period of commitment of the most recent order of  
17 commitment or recommitment expired, or the court entered an order  
18 terminating the person's incapacity or discharging the person from  
19 commitment in the nature of habeas corpus, if the record in the national  
20 instant criminal background check system is based on an order of  
21 commitment to the custody of the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT  
22 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS  
23 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE  
24 RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE; except that the  
25 clerk shall not cancel any record pertaining to a person with respect to  
26 whom two recommitment orders have been entered under ~~section~~  
27 ~~25-1-311 (5) and (6)~~ SECTION 27-81-112 (7) AND (8), C.R.S., or who was

1 discharged from treatment under ~~section 25-1-311 (9)~~ SECTION 27-81-112  
2 (11), C.R.S., on the grounds that further treatment will not be likely to  
3 bring about significant improvement in the person's condition; or

4 (III) The record in the case was sealed pursuant to ~~section~~  
5 ~~27-10-107 (7)~~ SECTION 27-65-107 (7), C.R.S., or the court entered an  
6 order discharging the person from commitment in the nature of habeas  
7 corpus pursuant to ~~section 27-10-113~~ SECTION 27-65-113, C.R.S., if the  
8 record in the national instant criminal background check system is based  
9 on a court order for involuntary certification for short-term treatment of  
10 mental illness.

11 **SECTION 16.** 13-9-123 (1) (b), (1) (c), (3) (b) (II), and (3) (b)  
12 (III), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

13 **13-9-123. National instant criminal background check system**  
14 **- reporting.** (1) Beginning July 1, 2002, the clerk of the probate court  
15 shall periodically report the following information to the national instant  
16 criminal background check system created by the federal "Brady  
17 Handgun Violence Prevention Act", Pub.L. 103-159, the relevant portion  
18 of which is codified at 18 U.S.C. sec. 922 (t):

19 (b) The name of each person who has been committed by order of  
20 the court to the custody of the ~~division of alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT in  
21 the department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
22 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
23 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, pursuant to ~~section 25-1-311 or~~  
24 ~~25-1-1107~~ SECTION 27-81-112 OR 27-82-108, C.R.S.; and

25 (c) The name of each person with respect to whom the court has  
26 entered an order for involuntary certification for short-term treatment of  
27 mental illness pursuant to ~~section 27-10-107~~ SECTION 27-65-107, C.R.S.,

1 for extended certification for treatment of mental illness pursuant to  
2 ~~section 27-10-108~~ SECTION 27-65-108, C.R.S., or for long-term care and  
3 treatment of mental illness pursuant to ~~section 27-10-109~~ SECTION  
4 27-65-109, C.R.S.

5 (3) The clerk of the probate court shall take all necessary steps to  
6 cancel a record made by that clerk in the national instant criminal  
7 background check system if:

8 (b) No less than three years before the date of the written request:

9 (II) The period of commitment of the most recent order of  
10 commitment or recommitment expired, or the court entered an order  
11 terminating the person's incapacity or discharging the person from  
12 commitment in the nature of habeas corpus, if the record in the national  
13 instant criminal background check system is based on an order of  
14 commitment to the custody of the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT  
15 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS  
16 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE  
17 RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE; except that the  
18 clerk shall not cancel any record pertaining to a person with respect to  
19 whom two recommitment orders have been entered under ~~section~~  
20 ~~25-1-311 (5) and (6)~~ SECTION 27-81-112 (7) AND (8), C.R.S., or who was  
21 discharged from treatment under ~~section 25-1-311 (9)~~ SECTION 27-81-112  
22 (11), C.R.S., on the grounds that further treatment will not be likely to  
23 bring about significant improvement in the person's condition; or

24 (III) The record in the case was sealed pursuant to ~~section~~  
25 ~~27-10-107 (7)~~ SECTION 27-65-107 (7), C.R.S., or the court entered an  
26 order discharging the person from commitment in the nature of habeas  
27 corpus pursuant to ~~section 27-10-113~~ SECTION 27-65-113, C.R.S., if the

1 record in the national instant criminal background check system is based  
2 on a court order for involuntary certification for short-term treatment of  
3 mental illness.

4 **SECTION 17.** 13-20-401 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 **13-20-401. Definitions.** As used in this part 4, unless the context  
7 otherwise requires:

8 (2) "Patient" means the person upon whom a proposed  
9 electroconvulsive treatment is to be performed; except that nothing in this  
10 part 4 shall be construed to supersede the provisions of ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE  
11 65 of title 27, C.R.S., or any rule or regulation adopted by the department  
12 of human services pursuant to ~~section 27-10-116 (2)~~ SECTION 27-65-116  
13 (2), C.R.S., with regard to the care and treatment of any person unable to  
14 exercise written informed consent or of a person with a mental illness.

15 **SECTION 18.** 13-90-107 (1) (m) (IV) (C) and (1) (m) (IV) (D),  
16 Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

17 **13-90-107. Who may not testify without consent.** (1) There are  
18 particular relations in which it is the policy of the law to encourage  
19 confidence and to preserve it inviolate; therefore, a person shall not be  
20 examined as a witness in the following cases:

21 (m) (IV) This paragraph (m) shall not apply in cases in which:

22 (C) Due to alcohol or other substance intoxication or abuse, as  
23 described in ~~sections 25-1-310 and 25-1-1106~~ SECTIONS 27-81-111 AND  
24 27-82-107, C.R.S., the person receiving peer support is a clear and  
25 immediate danger to the person's self or others;

26 (D) There is reasonable cause to believe that the person receiving  
27 peer support has a mental illness and, due to the mental illness, is an

1 imminent threat to himself or herself or others or is gravely disabled as  
2 defined in ~~section 27-10-102~~ SECTION 27-65-102, C.R.S.; or

3 **SECTION 19.** 15-14-316 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read:

5 **15-14-316. Rights and immunities of guardian - limitations.**

6 (4) A guardian may not initiate the commitment of a ward to a mental  
7 health-care institution or facility except in accordance with the state's  
8 procedure for involuntary civil commitment. To obtain hospital or  
9 institutional care and treatment for mental illness of a ward, a guardian  
10 shall proceed as provided under ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S.  
11 To obtain care and treatment from an approved service agency as defined  
12 in section 27-10.5-102, C.R.S., for a ward with developmental  
13 disabilities, a guardian shall proceed under article 10.5 of title 27, C.R.S.  
14 To obtain care and treatment for alcoholism or substance abuse, a  
15 guardian shall proceed as provided under ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~  
16 ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S. No guardian shall have the authority to  
17 consent to any such care or treatment against the will of the ward.

18 **SECTION 20.** 15-14-506 (4) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
19 amended to read:

20 **15-14-506. Medical durable power of attorney.** (4) (b) Nothing  
21 in this article shall be construed to supersede any provision of article 1 of  
22 title 25, C.R.S., ~~article 10 of title 27, C.R.S.~~, or article 10.5 OR ARTICLE  
23 65 of title 27, C.R.S.

24 **SECTION 21.** 16-8-103 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
25 amended to read:

26 **16-8-103. Pleading insanity as a defense.** (3) If there has been  
27 no grand jury indictment or preliminary hearing prior to the entry of the

1 plea of not guilty by reason of insanity, the court shall hold a preliminary  
2 hearing prior to the trial of the insanity issue. If probable cause is not  
3 established, the case shall be dismissed, but the court may order the  
4 district attorney to institute civil proceedings pursuant to ~~article 10~~  
5 ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., if it appears that the protection of the  
6 public or the accused requires it.

7 **SECTION 22.** 16-8.5-116 (2) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended to read:

9 **16-8.5-116. Commitment - termination of proceedings.**

10 (2) The court shall review the case of a defendant committed or confined  
11 as incompetent to proceed at least every three months with regard to the  
12 probability that the defendant will eventually be restored to competency  
13 and with regard to the justification for continued commitment or  
14 confinement. The review may be held in conjunction with a restoration  
15 hearing under section 16-8.5-113. Prior to each review, the institution  
16 treating the defendant shall provide the court with a report regarding the  
17 competency of the defendant. If, on the basis of the available evidence,  
18 not including evidence resulting from a refusal by the defendant to accept  
19 treatment, there is a substantial probability that the defendant will not be  
20 restored to competency within the foreseeable future, the court may order  
21 the release of the defendant from commitment under this article through  
22 one or more of the following means:

23 (c) The court or a party may commence civil proceedings under  
24 the provisions of ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., if the defendant  
25 meets the requirements for commitment pursuant to said ~~article 10~~  
26 ARTICLE 65; or

27 **SECTION 23.** 16-13-701 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is



1 amended to read:

2 **16-13-701. Reporting of forfeited property.** (4) The alcohol  
3 and drug abuse division UNIT in the department of human services THAT  
4 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
5 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, shall  
6 prepare an annual accounting report of moneys received by the managed  
7 service organization pursuant to section 16-13-311 (3) (a) (VII) (B),  
8 including revenues, expenditures, beginning and ending balances, and  
9 services provided. The alcohol and drug abuse division UNIT IN THE  
10 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
11 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
12 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, shall provide this information  
13 in its annual report pursuant to ~~section 25-1-210~~ SECTION 27-80-110,  
14 C.R.S.

15 **SECTION 24.** 17-2-201 (5.7) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended to read:

17 **17-2-201. State board of parole.** (5.7) If, as a condition of  
18 parole, an offender is required to undergo counseling or treatment, unless  
19 the parole board determines that treatment at another facility or with  
20 another person is warranted, such treatment or counseling shall be at a  
21 facility or with a person:

22 (a) Approved by the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN  
23 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
24 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
25 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established in ~~part 2 of article~~  
26 ~~1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., if the treatment is for alcohol  
27 or drug abuse;

1           **SECTION 25.** 17-2-209, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 to read:

3           **17-2-209. Civil proceedings - inmate subject to parole.** When  
4 an inmate has met all of the requirements to be eligible for parole, but the  
5 board has reason to believe that the offender may have a mental illness  
6 pursuant to ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., the board shall  
7 initiate civil proceedings pursuant to article 23 of this title and ~~articles 10~~  
8 ~~to 15~~ ARTICLES 10.5, 11, 14, 65, 67, 92, 93, AND 94 of title 27, C.R.S.

9           **SECTION 26.** 17-27.1-101 (5) (a) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
10 is amended to read:

11           **17-27.1-101. Nongovernmental facilities for offenders -**  
12 **registration - notifications - penalties.** (5) No private treatment  
13 program in Colorado shall admit or accept a supervised or unsupervised  
14 person into the program unless that program:

15           (a) Is registered with the administrator of the interstate compact,  
16 and, if the person is a supervised person, the private treatment program  
17 is:

18           (I) Approved by the ~~division of alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT IN  
19 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
20 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
21 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established in ~~part 2 of article~~  
22 ~~1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., if the program provides  
23 alcohol or drug abuse treatment;

24           **SECTION 27.** 17-27.9-102 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
25 amended to read:

26           **17-27.9-102. Specialized restitution and community service**  
27 **programs - contract with treatment providers - division of criminal**

1 **justice.** (1) The director of the division of criminal justice of the  
2 department of public safety may, pursuant to section 17-27-108, contract  
3 with one or more public or private providers or community corrections  
4 boards, as defined in section 17-27-102 (2), who operate restitution and  
5 community service facilities, to provide specialized restitution and  
6 community service programs that meet the requirements of this section.  
7 As used in this article, such providers shall be referred to as "providers".  
8 The provision of any substance abuse treatment shall be by an entity  
9 approved by the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT in the  
10 department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
11 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL  
12 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, pursuant to ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~  
13 ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.

14 **SECTION 28.** 18-1.3-204 (2) (a) (II) and (2) (c) (I), Colorado  
15 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

16 **18-1.3-204. Conditions of probation.** (2) (a) When granting  
17 probation, the court may, as a condition of probation, require that the  
18 defendant:

19 (II) Undergo available medical or psychiatric treatment and  
20 remain in a specified institution if required for that purpose. In any case  
21 where inpatient psychiatric treatment is indicated, the court shall proceed  
22 in accordance with ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., and require  
23 the defendant to comply with the recommendation of the professional  
24 person in charge of the evaluation required pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105~~  
25 ~~or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S.

26 (c) If the court orders counseling or treatment as a condition of  
27 probation, unless the court makes a specific finding that treatment in

1 another facility or with another person is warranted, the court shall order  
2 that such treatment or counseling be at a facility or with a person:

3 (I) Approved by the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN  
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
5 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
6 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established in ~~part 2 of article~~  
7 ~~1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., if the treatment is for alcohol  
8 or drug abuse;

9 **SECTION 29.** 18-1.3-210 (1) and (2), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
10 are amended to read:

11 **18-1.3-210. Counseling or treatment for alcohol or drug abuse.**

12 (1) In any case in which treatment or counseling for alcohol or drug  
13 abuse is authorized in connection with a deferred prosecution, deferred  
14 judgment and sentence, or probation, the court may require the defendant  
15 to obtain counseling or treatment for the condition. If the court orders the  
16 counseling or treatment, the court shall order that the counseling or  
17 treatment be obtained from a treatment facility or person approved by the  
18 division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
19 SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND  
20 SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND  
21 SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established in ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80  
22 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., unless the court makes a finding that counseling or  
23 treatment in another facility or with another person is warranted. If the  
24 defendant voluntarily submits himself or herself for such treatment or  
25 counseling, the district attorney and the court may consider his or her  
26 willingness to correct his or her condition as a basis for granting deferred  
27 prosecution or deferred judgment and sentence.

1 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this  
2 section, in any case in which treatment or counseling for alcohol or drug  
3 abuse is authorized and ordered by the court in connection with a deferred  
4 prosecution, deferred judgment and sentence, or probation for an offense  
5 involving unlawful sexual behavior, as defined in section 16-22-102 (9),  
6 C.R.S., the court shall order that the counseling or treatment be obtained  
7 from a treatment facility or person approved by the division of alcohol  
8 and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT  
9 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
10 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established  
11 in ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.

12 **SECTION 30.** 18-1.3-211 (1) and (2), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
13 are amended to read:

14 **18-1.3-211. Sentencing of felons - parole of felons - treatment**  
15 **and testing based upon assessment required.** (1) Each person  
16 sentenced by the court for a felony committed on or after July 1, 1992,  
17 shall be required, as a part of any sentence to probation, community  
18 corrections, or incarceration with the department of corrections, to  
19 undergo periodic testing and treatment for substance abuse that is  
20 appropriate to such felon based upon the recommendations of the  
21 assessment made pursuant to section 18-1.3-209, or based upon any  
22 subsequent recommendations by the department of corrections, the  
23 judicial department, or the division of criminal justice of the department  
24 of public safety, whichever is appropriate. Any such testing or treatment  
25 shall be at a facility or with a person approved by the division of alcohol  
26 and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT  
27 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING

1 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established  
2 in ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., and at  
3 such felon's own expense, unless such felon is indigent.

4 (2) Each person placed on parole by the state board of parole on  
5 or after July 1, 1992, shall be required, as a condition of such parole, to  
6 undergo periodic testing and treatment for substance abuse that is  
7 appropriate to such parolee based upon the recommendations of the  
8 assessment made pursuant to section 18-1.3-209 or any assessment or  
9 subsequent reassessment made regarding such parolee during his or her  
10 incarceration or any period of parole. Any such testing or treatment shall  
11 be at a facility or with a person approved by the division of alcohol and  
12 drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT  
13 ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING  
14 THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established  
15 in ~~part 2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., and at  
16 such parolee's own expense, unless such parolee is indigent.

17 **SECTION 31.** 18-6.5-102 (3) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
18 amended to read:

19 **18-6.5-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context  
20 otherwise requires:

21 (3) A "person with a disability" means any person who:

22 (e) Is a person with a mental illness as the term is defined in  
23 ~~section 27-10-102 (8.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (14), C.R.S.; or

24 **SECTION 32.** 18-12-202 (3) (a) and (3) (b) (I), Colorado Revised  
25 Statutes, are amended to read:

26 **18-12-202. Definitions.** As used in this part 2, unless the context  
27 otherwise requires:

1 (3) "Chronically and habitually uses alcoholic beverages to the  
2 extent that the applicant's normal faculties are impaired" means:

3 (a) The applicant has at any time been committed as an alcoholic  
4 pursuant to ~~section 25-1-310 or 25-1-311~~ SECTION 27-81-111 OR  
5 27-81-112, C.R.S.; or

6 (b) Within the ten-year period immediately preceding the date on  
7 which the permit application is submitted, the applicant:

8 (I) Has been committed as an alcoholic pursuant to ~~section~~  
9 ~~25-1-308 or 25-1-309~~ SECTION 27-81-109 OR 27-81-110, C.R.S.; or

10 **SECTION 33.** 18-13-119 (5) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended to read:

12 **18-13-119. Health care providers - abuse of health insurance.**

13 (5) (a) Reimbursements made pursuant to articles 4 and 15 of title 26,  
14 C.R.S., federal medicare laws for inpatient hospitalization, and mental  
15 health services purchased in accordance with ~~part 2 of article 4~~ ARTICLE  
16 66 of title 27, C.R.S., are exempt from the provisions of this section.

17 **SECTION 34.** 18-13-122 (16) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
18 amended to read:

19 **18-13-122. Illegal possession or consumption of ethyl alcohol**

20 **by an underage person - definitions - adolescent substance abuse**  
21 **prevention and treatment fund - legislative declaration.** (16) (b) The

22 surcharge collected pursuant to subparagraph (IV) of paragraph (b) of  
23 subsection (2) of this section shall be transmitted to the state treasurer,  
24 who shall credit the same to the adolescent substance abuse prevention  
25 and treatment fund, which fund is hereby created and referred to in this  
26 section as the "fund". The moneys in the fund shall be subject to annual  
27 appropriation by the general assembly to the division of alcohol and drug

1 abuse UNIT in the department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS  
2 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE  
3 RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, established in ~~part~~  
4 ~~2 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., for adolescent  
5 substance abuse prevention and treatment programs. The division of  
6 alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
7 THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES,  
8 INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE,  
9 is authorized to seek and accept gifts, grants, or donations from private  
10 or public sources for the purposes of this section. All private and public  
11 funds received through gifts, grants, or donations shall be transmitted to  
12 the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the fund. Any  
13 unexpended moneys in the fund may be invested by the state treasurer as  
14 provided by law. All interest and income derived from the investment  
15 and deposit of moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund. Any  
16 unexpended and unencumbered moneys remaining in the fund at the end  
17 of a fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not be credited or  
18 transferred to the general fund or another fund.

19 **SECTION 35.** 18-19-103.5 (2) (b) and (4), Colorado Revised  
20 Statutes, are amended to read:

21 **18-19-103.5. Rural alcohol and substance abuse surcharge -**  
22 **repeal.** (2) The clerk of the court shall disburse the surcharge required  
23 by subsection (1) of this section as follows:

24 (b) Ninety-five percent shall be disbursed to the state treasurer  
25 who shall credit the same to the rural alcohol and substance abuse cash  
26 fund created in ~~section 25-1-217 (3)~~ SECTION 27-80-117 (3), C.R.S.

27 (4) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2016, unless the



1 general assembly extends the repeal of the rural alcohol and substance  
2 abuse prevention and treatment program created in ~~section 25-1-217~~  
3 SECTION 27-80-117, C.R.S.

4 **SECTION 36.** 19-1-103 (76), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 **19-1-103. Definitions.** As used in this title or in the specified  
7 portion of this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

8 (76) "Mental health hospital placement prescreening" means a  
9 face-to-face mental health examination, conducted by a mental health  
10 professional, to determine whether a child should be placed in a facility  
11 for evaluation pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION  
12 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S., and may include consultation with other  
13 mental health professionals and review of all available records on the  
14 child.

15 **SECTION 37.** 19-1-115 (8) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended to read:

17 **19-1-115. Legal custody - guardianship - placement out of the**  
18 **home - petition for review for need of placement.** (8) (a) Whenever  
19 it appears necessary that the placement of a child out of the home will be  
20 for longer than ninety days, the placement is voluntary and not  
21 court-ordered, and the placement involves the direct expenditure of funds  
22 appropriated by the general assembly to the department of human  
23 services, a petition for review of need for placement shall be filed by the  
24 department or agency with which the child has been placed before the  
25 expiration of ninety days in the placement. A decree providing for  
26 voluntary placement of a child with an agency in which public moneys  
27 are expended shall be renewable in circumstances where there is

1 documentation that the child has an emotional, a physical, or an  
2 intellectual disability that necessitates care and treatment for a longer  
3 duration than ninety days as provided pursuant to this paragraph (a). The  
4 court shall not transfer or require relinquishment of legal custody of, or  
5 otherwise terminate the parental rights with respect to, a child who has an  
6 emotional, a physical, or an intellectual disability and who was  
7 voluntarily placed out of the home for the purposes of obtaining special  
8 treatment or care solely because the parent or legal guardian is unable to  
9 provide the treatment or care. Whenever a child fifteen years of age or  
10 older consents to placement in a mental health facility pursuant to ~~section~~  
11 ~~27-10-103~~ SECTION 27-65-103, C.R.S., the review under ~~section~~  
12 ~~27-10-103(3.3)~~ SECTION 27-65-103 (5), C.R.S., shall be conducted in lieu  
13 of and shall fulfill the requirements for review under this paragraph (a).

14 **SECTION 38.** 19-2-508 (3) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended to read:

16 **19-2-508. Detention and shelter - hearing - time limits -**  
17 **findings - review - confinement with adult offenders - restrictions -**  
18 **repeal.** (3) (b) (I) If it appears that any juvenile being held in detention  
19 or shelter may be developmentally disabled, as provided in article 10.5 of  
20 title 27, C.R.S., the court or detention personnel shall refer the juvenile  
21 to the nearest community centered board for an eligibility determination.  
22 If it appears that any juvenile being held in a detention or shelter facility  
23 pursuant to the provisions of this article may have a mental illness, as  
24 provided in ~~sections 27-10-105 and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 AND  
25 27-65-106, C.R.S., the intake personnel or other appropriate personnel  
26 shall contact a mental health professional to do a mental health hospital  
27 placement prescreening on the juvenile. The court shall be notified of the

1 contact and may take appropriate action. If a mental health hospital  
2 placement prescreening is requested, it shall be conducted in an  
3 appropriate place accessible to the juvenile and the mental health  
4 professional. A request for a mental health hospital placement  
5 prescreening shall not extend the time within which a detention hearing  
6 shall be held pursuant to this section. If a detention hearing has been set  
7 but has not yet occurred, the mental health hospital placement  
8 prescreening shall be conducted prior to the hearing; except that the  
9 prescreening shall not extend the time within which a detention hearing  
10 shall be held.

11 (II) If a juvenile has been ordered detained pending an  
12 adjudication, disposition, or other court hearing and the juvenile  
13 subsequently appears to have a mental illness, as provided in ~~section~~  
14 ~~27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S., the  
15 intake personnel or other appropriate personnel shall contact the court  
16 with a recommendation for a mental health hospital placement  
17 prescreening. A mental health hospital placement prescreening shall be  
18 conducted at any appropriate place accessible to the juvenile and the  
19 mental health professional within twenty-four hours of the request,  
20 excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

21 (III) When the mental health professional finds, as a result of the  
22 prescreening, that the juvenile may have a mental illness, the mental  
23 health professional shall recommend to the court that the juvenile be  
24 evaluated pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105  
25 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S.

26 (IV) Nothing in this paragraph (b) shall be construed to preclude  
27 the use of emergency procedures pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 (1)~~

1 SECTION 27-65-105 (1), C.R.S.

2 SECTION 39. 19-2-916 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
3 amended to read:

4 **19-2-916. Sentencing - placement based on special needs of the**  
5 **juvenile.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in section 19-2-601 for an  
6 aggravated juvenile offender, the court may order that the juvenile be  
7 examined or treated by a physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, or psychologist  
8 or that he or she receive other special care and may place the juvenile in  
9 a hospital or other suitable facility for such purposes; except that no  
10 juvenile may be placed in a mental health facility operated by the  
11 department of human services until the juvenile has received a mental  
12 health hospital placement prescreening resulting in a recommendation  
13 that the juvenile be placed in a facility for an evaluation pursuant to  
14 ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106,  
15 C.R.S., or a hearing has been held by the court after notice to all parties,  
16 including the department of human services. No order for a  
17 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation shall be entered unless a  
18 hearing is held and evidence indicates that the prescreening report is  
19 inadequate, incomplete, or incorrect and that competent professional  
20 evidence is presented by a mental health professional that indicates that  
21 mental illness is present in the juvenile. The court shall make, prior to the  
22 hearing, such orders regarding temporary custody of the juvenile as are  
23 deemed appropriate.

24 SECTION 40. 19-2-922 (3) (b) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
25 is amended to read:

26 **19-2-922. Juveniles committed to department of human**  
27 **services - evaluation and placement.** (3) (b) (III) If the evaluation

1 report states that the juvenile has a mental illness, as provided in ~~sections~~  
2 ~~27-10-105 and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 AND 27-65-106, C.R.S.,  
3 the department of human services shall initiate proceedings under ~~article~~  
4 ~~10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., and notify the court thereof.

5 **SECTION 41.** 19-2-923 (3) (a) and (3) (d), Colorado Revised  
6 Statutes, are amended to read:

7 **19-2-923. Juveniles committed to department of human**  
8 **services - transfers.** (3) (a) Any juvenile committed to the department  
9 of human services may be transferred temporarily to any state treatment  
10 facility for persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities for  
11 purposes of diagnosis, evaluation, and emergency treatment; except that  
12 no juvenile may be transferred to a mental health facility until the juvenile  
13 has received a mental health hospital placement prescreening resulting in  
14 a recommendation that the juvenile be placed in a facility for evaluation  
15 pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR  
16 27-65-106, C.R.S. No juvenile committed to the department as an  
17 aggravated juvenile offender or violent juvenile offender shall be  
18 transferred until the treatment facility has a secure setting in which to  
19 house the juvenile. The period of temporary transfer pursuant to this  
20 paragraph (a) shall not exceed sixty days.

21 (d) When a juvenile is in continued transferred placement and the  
22 treatment facility and the sending facility agree that the need for  
23 placement of the juvenile is likely to continue beyond the original period  
24 of commitment to the department of human services, the treatment facility  
25 shall initiate proceedings with the court having jurisdiction over the  
26 juvenile under ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., if the juvenile has  
27 a mental illness or under article 10.5 of title 27, C.R.S., if the juvenile has

1 developmental disabilities.

2 **SECTION 42.** 19-3-308 (1.5) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
3 amended to read:

4 **19-3-308. Action upon report of intrafamilial, institutional, or**  
5 **third-party abuse - child protection team - rules.** (1.5) (b) If, during  
6 the investigation and assessment process, the county department  
7 determines that the family's issues may be attributable to the child's  
8 mental health status, rather than dependency or neglect issues, and that  
9 mental health treatment services pursuant to ~~section 27-10.3-104~~ SECTION  
10 27-67-104, C.R.S., may be more appropriate, the county department shall  
11 contact the mental health agency, as that term is defined in ~~section~~  
12 ~~27-10.3-103~~(4) SECTION 27-67-103 (6), C.R.S. Within ten days after the  
13 commencement of the investigation, the county department shall meet  
14 with a representative from the mental health agency and the family. The  
15 county department, in conjunction with the mental health agency, shall  
16 jointly determine whether mental health services should be provided  
17 pursuant to ~~section 27-10.3-104~~ SECTION 27-67-104, C.R.S., or whether  
18 the provision of services through the county department is more  
19 appropriate.

20 **SECTION 43.** 19-3-401 (3) (c) (II) and (3) (c) (III), Colorado  
21 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

22 **19-3-401. Taking children into custody.** (3) (c) The court  
23 orders required by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection (3) shall not  
24 be required in the following circumstances:

25 (II) When the newborn child's only identifiable birth parent has  
26 been determined by a physician, registered nurse, or qualified mental  
27 health professional to meet the criteria specified in ~~section 27-10-105~~

1 SECTION 27-65-105, C.R.S., for custody, treatment, and evaluation of  
2 mental illness or grave disability;

3 (III) When both of the newborn child's birth parents have been  
4 determined by a physician, registered nurse, or qualified mental health  
5 professional to meet the criteria specified in ~~section 27-10-105~~ SECTION  
6 27-65-105, C.R.S., for custody, treatment, and evaluation of mental  
7 illness or grave disability; or

8 **SECTION 44.** 19-3-403 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read:

10 **19-3-403. Temporary custody - hearing - time limits -**  
11 **restriction - rules.** (4) (a) If it appears that any child being held in a  
12 shelter facility may be developmentally disabled, as provided in article  
13 10.5 of title 27, C.R.S., the court shall refer the child to the nearest  
14 community centered board for an eligibility determination. If it appears  
15 that any child being held in a shelter facility pursuant to the provisions of  
16 this article may have a mental illness, as provided in ~~sections 27-10-105~~  
17 ~~and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 AND 27-65-106, C.R.S., the intake  
18 personnel or other appropriate personnel shall contact a mental health  
19 professional to do a mental health prescreening on the child. The court  
20 shall be notified of the contact and may take appropriate action. If a  
21 mental health prescreening is requested, it shall be conducted in an  
22 appropriate place accessible to the child and the mental health  
23 professional. A request for a mental health prescreening shall not extend  
24 the time within which a hearing shall be held pursuant to this section. If  
25 a hearing has been set but has not yet occurred, the mental health  
26 prescreening shall be conducted prior to the hearing; except that the  
27 prescreening shall not extend the time within which a hearing shall be

1 held pursuant to this section.

2 (b) If a child has been ordered detained pending an adjudication,  
3 disposition, or other court hearing and the child subsequently appears to  
4 have a mental illness, as provided in ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~  
5 SECTION 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S., the intake personnel or other  
6 appropriate personnel shall contact the court with a recommendation for  
7 a mental health prescreening. A mental health prescreening shall be  
8 conducted at any appropriate place accessible to the child and the mental  
9 health professional within twenty-four hours of the request, excluding  
10 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

11 (c) When the mental health professional finds, as a result of the  
12 prescreening, that the child may have a mental illness, the mental health  
13 professional shall recommend to the court that the child be evaluated  
14 pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR  
15 27-65-106, C.R.S., and the court shall proceed as provided in section  
16 19-3-506.

17 (d) Nothing in this subsection (4) shall be construed to preclude  
18 the use of emergency procedures pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 (1)~~  
19 SECTION 27-65-105, C.R.S.

20 **SECTION 45.** 19-3-506 (1) (b), (1) (c), and (3) (a), Colorado  
21 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

22 **19-3-506. Child with a mental illness or developmental**  
23 **disability - procedure.** (1) (b) If it appears from the evidence presented  
24 at an adjudicatory hearing or otherwise that a child may have a mental  
25 illness, as defined in ~~sections 27-10-105 and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS  
26 27-65-105 AND 27-65-106, C.R.S., and the child has not had a mental  
27 health prescreening pursuant to section 19-3-403 (4), the court shall order



1 a prescreening to determine whether the child requires further evaluation.  
2 Such prescreening shall be conducted as expeditiously as possible, and a  
3 prescreening report shall be provided to the court within twenty-four  
4 hours of the prescreening, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal  
5 holidays.

6 (c) When the mental health professional finds, based upon a  
7 prescreening done pursuant to section 19-3-403 (4) or under this section,  
8 that the child may have a mental illness, as defined in ~~sections 27-10-105~~  
9 ~~and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 AND 27-65-106, C.R.S., the court  
10 shall review the prescreening report within twenty-four hours, excluding  
11 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, and order the child placed for an  
12 evaluation at a facility designated by the executive director of the  
13 department of human services for a seventy-two-hour treatment and  
14 evaluation pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION  
15 27-65-105 OR 27-65-106, C.R.S. On and after January 1, 1986, if the  
16 child to be placed is in a detention facility, the designated facility shall  
17 admit the child within twenty-four hours after the court orders an  
18 evaluation, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

19 (3) (a) When the evaluation conducted pursuant to subsection (1)  
20 of this section states that the child has a mental illness, as defined in  
21 ~~sections 27-10-105 and 27-10-106~~ SECTIONS 27-65-105 AND 27-65-106,  
22 C.R.S., the court shall treat the evaluation report as a certification under  
23 ~~section 27-10-107~~ SECTION 27-65-107, C.R.S., and shall proceed pursuant  
24 to ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., assuming all of the powers  
25 granted to a court in such proceedings.

26 **SECTION 46.** 19-3-508 (1) (d) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
27 is amended to read:

1           **19-3-508. Neglected or dependent child - disposition -**  
2           **concurrent planning.** (1) When a child has been adjudicated to be  
3 neglected or dependent, the court may enter a decree of disposition the  
4 same day, but in any event it shall do so within forty-five days unless the  
5 court finds that the best interests of the child will be served by granting  
6 a delay. In a county designated pursuant to section 19-1-123, if the child  
7 is under six years of age at the time a petition is filed in accordance with  
8 section 19-3-501 (2), the court shall enter a decree of disposition within  
9 thirty days after the adjudication and shall not grant a delay unless good  
10 cause is shown and unless the court finds that the best interests of the  
11 child will be served by granting the delay. It is the intent of the general  
12 assembly that the dispositional hearing be held on the same day as the  
13 adjudicatory hearing, whenever possible. If a delay is granted, the court  
14 shall set forth the reasons why a delay is necessary and the minimum  
15 amount of time needed to resolve the reasons for the delay and shall  
16 schedule the hearing at the earliest possible time following the delay.  
17 When the proposed disposition is termination of the parent-child legal  
18 relationship, the hearing on termination shall not be held on the same date  
19 as the adjudication, and the time limits set forth above for dispositional  
20 hearings shall not apply. When the proposed disposition is termination  
21 of the parent-child legal relationship, the court may continue the  
22 dispositional hearing to the earliest available date for a hearing in  
23 accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of this  
24 section and part 6 of this article. When the decree does not terminate the  
25 parent-child legal relationship, the court shall approve an appropriate  
26 treatment plan that shall include but not be limited to one or more of the  
27 following provisions of paragraphs (a) to (d) of this subsection (1):

1 (d) (I) The court may order that the child be examined or treated  
2 by a physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, or psychologist or that he OR SHE  
3 receive other special care and may place the child in a hospital or other  
4 suitable facility for such purposes; except that no child may be placed in  
5 a mental health facility operated by the department of human services  
6 until the child has received a mental health prescreening resulting in a  
7 recommendation that the child be placed in a facility for evaluation  
8 pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105 or 27-10-106~~ SECTION 27-65-105 OR  
9 27-65-106, C.R.S., or a hearing has been held by the court after notice to  
10 all parties, including the department of human services. No order for a  
11 seventy-two-hour treatment and evaluation shall be entered unless a  
12 hearing is held and evidence indicates that the prescreening report is  
13 inadequate, incomplete, or incorrect and that competent professional  
14 evidence is presented by a mental health professional which indicates that  
15 mental illness is present in the child. The court shall make, prior to the  
16 hearing, such orders regarding temporary custody of the child as are  
17 deemed appropriate.

18 **SECTION 47.** 22-31-129 (1) (g), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
19 amended to read:

20 **22-31-129. Vacancies.** (1) A school director office shall be  
21 deemed to be vacant upon the occurrence of any one of the following  
22 events prior to the expiration of the term of office:

23 (g) If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the person  
24 duly elected or appointed is insane or otherwise mentally incompetent,  
25 but only after the right to appeal has been waived or otherwise exhausted,  
26 and a court enters, pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15 or  
27 ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127,

1 C.R.S., an order specifically finding that the insanity or mental  
2 incompetency is of such a degree that the person is incapable of serving  
3 as a school director;

4 **SECTION 48.** 22-60.5-107 (2) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 **22-60.5-107. Grounds for denying, annulling, suspending, or**  
7 **revoking license, certificate, endorsement, or authorization.** (2) Any  
8 license, certificate, endorsement, or authorization may be denied,  
9 annulled, suspended, or revoked in the manner prescribed in section  
10 22-60.5-108, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this  
11 section:

12 (a) When the holder has been determined to be mentally  
13 incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction and a court has entered,  
14 pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15 or ~~section 27-10-109~~  
15 ~~(4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
16 specifically finding that the mental incompetency is of such a degree that  
17 the holder is incapable of continuing to perform his or her job; except that  
18 the license, certificate, endorsement, or authorization held by a person  
19 who has been determined to be mentally incompetent and for whom such  
20 an order has been entered shall be revoked or suspended by operation of  
21 law without a hearing, notwithstanding the provisions of section  
22 22-60.5-108;

23 **SECTION 49.** 23-19.5-103 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
24 amended to read:

25 **23-19.5-103. Limited implementation - consent to release**  
26 **confidential information - policy - revocation.** (5) Notwithstanding the  
27 provisions of this article, the release of information concerning a student

1 who is taken into custody or receiving care and treatment under the  
2 provisions of ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S., shall be governed  
3 by the provisions of ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S.

4 **SECTION 50.** 24-1-120 (6) (d), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 **24-1-120. Department of human services - creation - repeal.**

7 (6) The department shall consist of the following divisions AND UNITS:

8 (d) The division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN THE  
9 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
10 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
11 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, created pursuant to ~~part 2 of~~  
12 ~~article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S. The division of  
13 alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
14 THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES,  
15 INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE,  
16 and its powers, duties, and functions, including the powers, duties, and  
17 functions relating to the alcohol and drug driving safety program  
18 specified in section 42-4-1301.3, C.R.S., are transferred by a **type 2**  
19 transfer to the department of human services.

20 **SECTION 51.** 24-1.9-102 (1) (a) (VII), Colorado Revised  
21 Statutes, is amended to read:

22 **24-1.9-102. Memorandum of understanding - local-level**  
23 **interagency oversight groups - individualized service and support**  
24 **teams - coordination of services for children and families -**  
25 **requirements - waiver.** (1) (a) Local representatives of each of the  
26 agencies specified in this paragraph (a) and county departments of social  
27 services may enter into memorandums of understanding that are designed

1 to promote a collaborative system of local-level interagency oversight  
2 groups and individualized service and support teams to coordinate and  
3 manage the provision of services to children and families who would  
4 benefit from integrated multi-agency services. The memorandums of  
5 understanding entered into pursuant to this subsection (1) shall be  
6 between interested county departments of social services and local  
7 representatives of each of the following agencies or entities:

8 (VII) A designated managed service organization for the provision  
9 of treatment services for alcohol and drug abuse pursuant to ~~section~~  
10 ~~25-1-206.5~~ SECTION 27-80-107, C.R.S.; and

11 **SECTION 52.** 24-5-101 (1) (b) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
12 is amended to read:

13 **24-5-101. Effect of criminal conviction on employment rights.**  
14 (1) (b) This subsection (1) shall not apply to:

15 (III) The employment of personnel in positions involving direct  
16 contact with vulnerable persons as specified in ~~section 27-1-110~~ SECTION  
17 27-90-111, C.R.S.;

18 **SECTION 53.** 24-33.5-512 (2) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
19 is amended to read:

20 **24-33.5-512. Recidivism reduction grant program - creation**  
21 **- definitions - repeal.** (2) **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless  
22 the context otherwise requires:

23 (b) "Target population" means persons with mental illnesses or  
24 co-occurring disorders, as defined in ~~section 26-22-102~~ SECTION  
25 27-69-102, C.R.S., who have been involved in the criminal justice  
26 system.

27 **SECTION 54.** 24-34-104 (47) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

1 amended to read:

2 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**  
3 **and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment.**

4 (47) The following agencies, functions, or both, shall terminate on July  
5 1, 2016:

6 (c) The rural alcohol and substance abuse prevention and  
7 treatment program created pursuant to ~~section 25-1-217~~ SECTION  
8 27-80-117, C.R.S., within the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT in  
9 the department of human SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
10 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
11 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

12 **SECTION 55.** 24-75-1104.5 (1) (k), (1.5) (a) (II), (1.5) (a) (VIII)  
13 (A), and (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

14 **24-75-1104.5. Use of settlement moneys - programs - repeal.**

15 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this section, for the  
16 2004-05 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, the following  
17 programs, services, or funds shall receive the following specified amounts  
18 from the settlement moneys received by the state in the preceding fiscal  
19 year; except that fifteen million four hundred thousand dollars of strategic  
20 contribution fund moneys and, for the 2010-11 fiscal year and for each  
21 fiscal year thereafter only, the lesser of sixty-five million dollars of other  
22 settlement moneys or all other settlement moneys shall be allocated in  
23 each fiscal year in which they are received by the state and except that, of  
24 the other settlement moneys received by the state in the 2009-10 fiscal  
25 year, the lesser of sixty-five million dollars or all of such moneys shall be  
26 transferred to the general fund on June 30, 2010, and shall not be  
27 allocated:

1 (k) Three hundred thousand dollars shall be appropriated, as  
2 provided in ~~section 27-10.3-106~~ SECTION 27-67-106, C.R.S., to fund the  
3 state's share of the annual funding required for the "Child Mental Health  
4 Treatment Act", ~~article 10.3~~ ARTICLE 67 of title 27, C.R.S.

5 (1.5) (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (5) and (6)  
6 of this section, for the 2007-08 fiscal year and for each fiscal year  
7 thereafter, the following programs, services, and funds shall receive the  
8 following specified amounts from the portion of any settlement moneys  
9 received and allocated by the state in the current fiscal year that remains  
10 after the programs, services, and funds receiving such moneys pursuant  
11 to subsection (1) of this section have been fully funded, and the portion  
12 of all other settlement moneys received by the state in the preceding fiscal  
13 year that remains after the programs, services, and funds receiving such  
14 other settlement moneys pursuant to subsection (1) of this section have  
15 been fully funded and all overexpenditures and supplemental  
16 appropriations allowed for the 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, or 2009-10  
17 fiscal years pursuant to section 24-22-115 (4) have been made:

18 (II) The offender mental health services fund created in ~~section~~  
19 ~~27-1-204 (5.5)~~ SECTION 27-66-104 (4), C.R.S., shall receive twelve  
20 percent of the settlement moneys, which the state treasurer shall transfer  
21 thereto, for the purchase of mental health services from community  
22 mental health centers for juvenile and adult offenders who have mental  
23 health problems and are involved in the criminal justice system.

24 (VIII) (A) The ~~division of alcohol and drug abuse~~ UNIT in the  
25 department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
26 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL  
27 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, shall receive three percent of the



1 settlement moneys, which shall be transferred by the state treasurer to the  
2 alcohol and drug abuse community prevention and treatment fund, which  
3 is hereby created in the state treasury. Interest and income earned on the  
4 deposit and investment of moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund  
5 and shall remain in the fund until the end of the fiscal year in which  
6 credited, when it shall be transferred to the short-term innovative health  
7 program grant fund created in section 25-36-101 (2), C.R.S., in  
8 accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection (1.5). The principal of  
9 the fund shall be subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly  
10 to provide or purchase community prevention and treatment services in  
11 accordance with ~~section 25-1-206~~ SECTION 27-80-106, C.R.S.; except  
12 that, at the end of the 2007-08 fiscal year and at the end of each fiscal  
13 year thereafter, all unexpended and unencumbered principal of the fund  
14 shall be transferred to the short-term innovative health program grant  
15 fund created in section 25-36-101 (2), C.R.S., in accordance with  
16 paragraph (b) of this subsection (1.5).

17 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (1.5) of  
18 this section, for purposes of ~~sections 22-7-908 (3), 23-20-136 (3.5) (a),~~  
19 ~~25-4-1411 (6) (a), 25-4-1415 (2), 25-20.5-201 (2) (c), 25-23-104 (2),~~  
20 ~~25-31-107 (2) (d) (I), 25.5-3-207 (3), 25.5-6-805 (2), 25.5-8-105 (3),~~  
21 ~~27-10.3-106 (2) (b), and 28-5-709 (2) (a)~~ SECTIONS 22-7-908 (3),  
22 23-20-136(3.5) (a), 25-4-1411 (6) (a), 25-4-1415 (2), 25-20.5-201 (2) (c),  
23 25-23-104 (2), 25-31-107 (2) (d) (I), 25.5-3-207 (3), 25.5-6-805 (2),  
24 25.5-8-105 (3), 27-67-106 (2) (b), AND 28-5-709 (2) (a), C.R.S.,  
25 settlement moneys received and allocated by the state pursuant to said  
26 subsections (1) and (1.5) during the same fiscal year shall be deemed to  
27 be moneys received for or during the preceding fiscal year.

1           **SECTION 56.** 24-110-207.5 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
2 is amended to read:

3           **24-110-207.5. Certification of certain entities as local public**  
4 **procurement units - rules - report - repeal.** (1) The executive director  
5 may certify any of the following entities as a local public procurement  
6 unit:

7           (a) Any nonprofit community mental health center, as defined in  
8 ~~section 27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101, C.R.S., any nonprofit community  
9 mental health clinic, as defined in ~~section 27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101,  
10 C.R.S., any nonprofit community centered board, as defined in section  
11 27-10.5-102, C.R.S., or any nonprofit service agency, as defined in  
12 section 27-10.5-102, C.R.S., if the entity uses the supplies, services, or  
13 construction procured for the public mental health system or the public  
14 developmentally disabled system;

15           **SECTION 57.** 25-1-1202 (1) (ss), (1) (vv), (1) (iii), and (1) (jjj),  
16 Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

17           **25-1-1202. Index of statutory sections regarding medical**  
18 **record confidentiality and health information.** (1) Statutory  
19 provisions concerning policies, procedures, and references to the release,  
20 sharing, and use of medical records and health information include the  
21 following:

22           (ss) ~~Sections 25-1-309 and 25-1-312~~ SECTIONS 27-81-110 AND  
23 27-81-113, C.R.S., concerning the treatment of intoxicated persons;

24           (vv) ~~Sections 25-1-1105 and 25-1-1108~~ SECTIONS 27-82-106 AND  
25 27-82-109, C.R.S., concerning the treatment of drug abusers;

26           (iii) ~~Section 27-10-103 (2)~~ SECTION 27-65-103 (2), C.R.S.,  
27 concerning voluntary applications for mental health services;

1 (jjj) ~~Sections 27-10-120 (1.5) and 27-10-120.5~~ SECTIONS  
2 27-65-121 (2) AND 27-65-122, C.R.S., concerning records related to  
3 mental health services for minor children;

4 **SECTION 58.** 25-1.5-101 (1) (i) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
5 is amended to read:

6 **25-1.5-101. Powers and duties of department.** (1) The  
7 department has, in addition to all other powers and duties imposed upon  
8 it by law, the powers and duties provided in this section as follows:

9 (i) (I) To establish sanitary standards and make sanitary, sewerage,  
10 and health inspections and examinations for charitable, penal, and other  
11 public institutions, and, with respect to the state institutions under the  
12 department of human services specified in ~~section 27-1-104~~ SECTION  
13 27-90-104, C.R.S., or under the department of corrections specified in  
14 section 17-1-104.3 (1) (b), C.R.S., such inspections and examinations  
15 shall be made at least once each year. Reports on such inspections of  
16 institutions under control of the department of human services or the  
17 department of corrections shall be made to the executive director of the  
18 appropriate department for appropriate action, if any.

19 **SECTION 59.** 25-1.5-103 (3.5) (a) (I), Colorado Revised  
20 Statutes, is amended to read:

21 **25-1.5-103. Health facilities - powers and duties of department**  
22 **- limitations on rules promulgated by department.** (3.5) (a) (I) The  
23 department of public health and environment may establish life safety  
24 code and physical plant requirements for an occupancy that is contiguous  
25 with an acute treatment unit if the occupancy is operated by the acute  
26 treatment unit licensee and the services provided by the occupancy are  
27 outpatient services certified in accordance with ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of

1 title 27, C.R.S., to determine appropriate placement or detoxification  
2 services licensed by the department of human services. The services  
3 provided by the occupancy shall benefit acute treatment unit clients,  
4 although the occupancy may also provide such services to other  
5 populations. It shall be at the discretion of the acute treatment unit  
6 licensee to either construct the necessary fire safety separations between  
7 the occupancy and the acute treatment unit or to assume fiscal and  
8 administrative responsibility for assuring that the occupancy meets the  
9 life safety code requirements as specified and verified by the department  
10 of public health and environment.

11 **SECTION 60.** 25-1.5-301 (2) (g), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended to read:

13 **25-1.5-301. Definitions.** As used in this part 3, unless the context  
14 otherwise requires:

15 (2) "Facility" means:

16 (g) Facilities that provide treatment for persons with mental illness  
17 as defined in ~~section 27-10-102 (4.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (7), C.R.S.,  
18 except for those facilities which are publicly or privately licensed  
19 hospitals;

20 **SECTION 61.** 25-3-102 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended to read:

22 **25-3-102. License - application - issuance.** (2) In the licensing  
23 of a community mental health center, acute treatment unit, or clinic,  
24 satisfactory evidence that the applicant is in compliance with the  
25 standards, rules, and regulations promulgated pursuant to ~~section~~  
26 ~~27-1-202~~ SECTION 27-66-102, C.R.S., shall be required for licensure.

27 **SECTION 62.** 25-3.5-301 (5) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

1 amended to read:

2 **25-3.5-301. License required - exceptions.** (5) The provisions  
3 of subsections (1) to (3) of this section shall not apply to the following:

4 (e) Vehicles used solely for the transportation of intoxicated  
5 persons or persons incapacitated by alcohol as defined in ~~section~~  
6 ~~25-1-302~~ SECTION 27-81-102, C.R.S., but who are not otherwise disabled  
7 or seriously injured and who would not be expected to require skilled  
8 treatment or care while in the vehicle.

9 **SECTION 63.** 25-36-101 (3) and (7), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
10 are amended to read:

11 **25-36-101. Short-term grants for innovative health programs**  
12 **- grant fund - creation - appropriation from fund - transfer of**  
13 **moneys for fiscal years 2007-08 through 2011-12.** (3) (a) For the  
14 2007-08 fiscal year, of the moneys transferred pursuant to sections  
15 24-22-115 (1) (b) and 24-75-1104.5 (1.5) (a) (IX) and (1.5) (b), C.R.S.,  
16 the lesser of one hundred thirty-four thousand two hundred twelve dollars  
17 or thirteen and four-tenths percent of the total amount transferred to the  
18 fund shall be appropriated to the ~~division of mental health~~ UNIT in the  
19 department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
20 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL  
21 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, for implementation of ~~article 22 of title~~  
22 ~~26~~ ARTICLE 69 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., and the lesser of thirty-eight thousand  
23 five hundred three dollars or three and nine-tenths percent of the total  
24 amount transferred to the fund shall be appropriated to the division of  
25 criminal justice in the department of public safety for implementation of  
26 ~~article 22 of title 26~~ ARTICLE 69 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.

27 (b) For the 2008-09 fiscal year, the 2009-10 fiscal year, and the

1 2010-11 fiscal year, of the moneys transferred pursuant to sections  
2 24-22-115 (1) (b) and 24-75-1104.5 (1.5) (a) (IX) and (1.5) (b), C.R.S.,  
3 the lesser of one hundred eighty-five thousand seventeen dollars or eight  
4 and eight-tenths percent of the total amount transferred to the fund shall  
5 be annually appropriated to the division of mental health UNIT in the  
6 department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
7 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL  
8 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, for implementation of ~~article 22~~ of title  
9 ~~26~~ ARTICLE 69 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S., and the lesser of thirty-six thousand  
10 seven hundred dollars or one and seven-tenths percent of the total amount  
11 transferred to the fund shall be appropriated to the division of criminal  
12 justice in the department of public safety for implementation of ~~article 22~~  
13 ~~of title 26~~ ARTICLE 69 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.

14 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, for the  
15 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 fiscal years, the state treasurer shall  
16 transfer from the short-term innovative health program grant fund to the  
17 supplemental tobacco litigation settlement moneys account of the mental  
18 health services pilot program fund, created in ~~section 27-1-305 (1)~~  
19 SECTION 27-68-105 (1), C.R.S., the lesser of three hundred thousand  
20 dollars or thirty percent of the amount allocated to the short-term  
21 innovative health program grant fund for the fiscal year pursuant to  
22 section 24-75-1104.5 (1.5) (a) (IX), C.R.S., enacted by Senate Bill 07-097  
23 at the first regular session of the sixty-sixth general assembly.

24 **SECTION 64.** 25.5-3-110, Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
25 amended to read:

26 **25.5-3-110. Effect of part 1.** This part 1 shall not affect the  
27 department of human services' responsibilities for the provision of mental

1 health care in accordance with ~~part 2 of article 1~~ ARTICLE 66 of title 27,  
2 C.R.S., and this part 1 shall not affect any provisions of article 22 of title  
3 23, C.R.S., or any other provisions of law relating to the university of  
4 Colorado psychiatric hospital.

5 **SECTION 65.** 25.5-4-103 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
6 amended to read:

7 **25.5-4-103. Definitions.** As used in this article and articles 5 and  
8 6 of this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

9 (3) "Case management services" means services provided by  
10 community centered boards, as defined by section 27-10.5-102 (3),  
11 C.R.S., and community mental health centers and community mental  
12 health clinics, as defined by ~~section 27-1-201~~ SECTION 27-66-101, C.R.S.,  
13 to assist developmentally disabled persons, as defined by section  
14 27-10.5-102 (11), C.R.S., and persons with mental illness, as defined by  
15 ~~section 27-10-102 (8.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (14), C.R.S., by case  
16 management agencies, as defined in section 25.5-6-303 (5), providing  
17 services, as defined in sections 25.5-6-104 (2) (b) and 25.5-6-303 (6), to  
18 elderly, blind, and disabled persons and long-term care clients, in gaining  
19 access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services.

20 **SECTION 66.** 25.5-4-406 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended to read:

22 **25.5-4-406. Rate setting - medicaid residential treatment**  
23 **service providers - monitoring and auditing - report.** (1) The state  
24 department shall approve a rate-setting process consistent with medicaid  
25 requirements for providers of medicaid residential treatment services in  
26 the state of Colorado as developed by the department of human services.  
27 The rate-setting process developed pursuant to this section may include,

1 but shall not be limited to:

2 (a) A range for reimbursement that represents a base-treatment  
3 rate for serving a child who is subject to out-of-home placement due to  
4 dependency and neglect, a child placed in a residential child care facility  
5 pursuant to the "Child Mental Health Treatment Act", ~~article 10.3~~  
6 ARTICLE 67 of title 27, C.R.S., or a child who has been adjudicated a  
7 delinquent, which includes a defined service package to meet the needs  
8 of the child;

9 **SECTION 67.** 25.5-5-203 (1) (l), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
10 amended to read:

11 **25.5-5-203. Optional programs with special state provisions.**

12 (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, this section  
13 specifies programs developed by Colorado to increase federal financial  
14 participation through selecting optional services or optional eligible  
15 groups. These programs include but are not limited to:

16 (l) The treatment program for high-risk pregnant women, as  
17 specified in ~~section 25-1-212~~ SECTION 27-80-112, C.R.S., and sections  
18 25.5-5-309, 25.5-5-310, and 25.5-5-311;

19 **SECTION 68.** 25.5-5-301 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended to read:

21 **25.5-5-301. Clinic services.** (4) "Clinic services" also means  
22 preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, or palliative items or  
23 services that are furnished to a pregnant woman who is enrolled for  
24 services pursuant to section 25.5-5-205 or who is eligible for aid to  
25 families with dependent children pursuant to rules in effect on July 16,  
26 1996, in a facility which is not a part of a hospital but is organized and  
27 operated as a freestanding alcohol or drug treatment program approved



1 and licensed by the ~~division of alcohol and drug abuse of~~ UNIT IN the  
2 department of human services THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
3 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL  
4 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, pursuant to ~~section 25-1-207 (1) (c)~~  
5 SECTION 27-80-108 (1) (c), C.R.S.

6 **SECTION 69.** 25.5-5-306 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended to read:

8 **25.5-5-306. Residential child health care - waiver - program**  
9 **- rules.** (1) The state department, in cooperation with the department of  
10 human services, shall implement a program concerning residential child  
11 health care under this article and articles 4 and 6 of this title to provide  
12 services pursuant to ~~article 10.3~~ ARTICLE 67 of title 27, C.R.S., to  
13 medicaid-eligible children residing in residential child care facilities, as  
14 that term is defined in section 26-6-102 (8), C.R.S., to medicaid-eligible  
15 children residing in psychiatric residential treatment facilities, and  
16 children placed by the department of human services or through county  
17 departments of social services in licensed or certified out-of-home  
18 placement facilities. Children with developmental disabilities, as defined  
19 in section 27-10.5-102 (11), C.R.S., who are placed in such facilities shall  
20 meet the out-of-home placement criteria described in section 19-1-107,  
21 C.R.S., and shall be neglected or dependent as described in section  
22 19-3-102, C.R.S. The state board shall establish the type of rehabilitative  
23 or medical assistance services to be provided under the program as  
24 described in subsection (3) of this section, to the extent such services are  
25 cost-efficient, and the recipient eligibility criteria that may include, but  
26 are not limited to, a medical necessity determination and a financial  
27 eligibility determination. The state board shall define in rule the staff

1 permitted to order, monitor, and assess seclusion and restraint in  
2 psychiatric residential treatment facilities, and the corresponding  
3 restrictions on the use of seclusion and restraint.

4 **SECTION 70.** 25.5-5-307 (1) and (2), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
5 are amended to read:

6 **25.5-5-307. Child mental health treatment and family support**  
7 **program.** (1) The general assembly finds that many parents in Colorado  
8 who have experienced challenging circumstances because their children  
9 have significant mental health needs and who have attempted to care for  
10 their children or seek services on their behalf often are burdened with the  
11 excessive financial and personal costs of providing such care. Private  
12 insurance companies may not cover mental health services and rarely  
13 cover residential mental health treatment services; those that do seldom  
14 cover a sufficient percentage of the expense to make such mental health  
15 treatment a viable option for many families in need. The result is that  
16 many families do not have the ability to obtain the mental health services  
17 that they feel their children desperately need. The general assembly finds  
18 that it is in the best interests of these families and the citizens of the state  
19 to encourage the preservation of family units by making mental health  
20 treatment available to these children pursuant to ~~article 10.3~~ ARTICLE 67  
21 of title 27, C.R.S.

22 (2) In order to make mental health treatment available, it is the  
23 intent of the general assembly that each medicaid-eligible child who is  
24 diagnosed as a person with a mental illness, as that term is defined in  
25 ~~section 27-10-102 (8.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (14), C.R.S., shall receive  
26 mental health treatment, which may include in-home family mental health  
27 treatment, other family preservation services, residential treatment, or any

1 post-residential follow-up services, that shall be paid for through federal  
2 medicaid funding.

3 **SECTION 71.** 26-1-132 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read:

5 **26-1-132. Department of human services - rate setting -**  
6 **residential treatment service providers - monitoring and auditing -**

7 **report.** (1) The state department shall develop a rate-setting process  
8 consistent with medicaid requirements for providers of residential  
9 treatment services in the state of Colorado. Representatives of counties  
10 and the provider community shall be involved in the actual development  
11 of the rate-setting process. The rate-setting process for rates funded by  
12 medicaid shall be approved by the department of health care policy and  
13 financing. The rate-setting process developed pursuant to this section  
14 may include, but shall not be limited to:

15 (a) A range for reimbursement that represents a base-treatment  
16 rate for serving a child who is subject to out-of-home placement due to  
17 dependency and neglect, a child placed in a residential child care facility  
18 pursuant to the "Child Mental Health Treatment Act", ~~article 10.3~~  
19 ARTICLE 67 of title 27, C.R.S., or a child who has been adjudicated a  
20 delinquent, which includes a defined service package to meet the needs  
21 of the child;

22 **SECTION 72.** 26-1-201 (1) (a), (1) (b), (1) (c), (1) (x), (1) (z), (1)  
23 (aa), and (1) (bb), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

24 **26-1-201. Programs administered - services provided -**  
25 **department of human services.** (1) This section specifies the programs

26 to be administered and the services to be provided by the department of  
27 human services. These programs and services include the following:

1 (a) Alcohol and drug abuse programs, as specified in ~~part 2 of~~  
2 ~~article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 80 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.;

3 (b) Alcoholism and intoxication treatment programs, as specified  
4 in ~~part 3 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 81 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.;

5 (c) Drug abuse prevention, education, and treatment programs, as  
6 specified in ~~part 11 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 82 OF TITLE 27, C.R.S.;

7 (x) Programs for the care and treatment of persons with mental  
8 illness, as specified in ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S.;

9 (z) Charges for patients, as set forth in ~~article 12~~ ARTICLE 92 of  
10 title 27, C.R.S.;

11 (aa) The Colorado mental health institute at Pueblo, as specified  
12 in ~~article 13~~ ARTICLE 93 of title 27, C.R.S.; and

13 (bb) The Colorado mental health institute at Fort Logan, as  
14 specified in ~~article 15~~ ARTICLE 94 of title 27, C.R.S.

15 **SECTION 73.** 26-2-112 (3) (a) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
16 is amended to read:

17 **26-2-112. Old age pensions for inmates of public institutions.**  
18 (3) (a) (III) It is the duty of such chief financial officer to pay monthly  
19 from the assistance payments under the old age pension, as prior claim  
20 therefrom, all lawful claims of said public institution for the care, support,  
21 maintenance, education, and treatment of said inmate in accordance with  
22 ~~article 12~~ ARTICLE 92 of title 27, C.R.S.

23 **SECTION 74.** 26-2-805.5 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
24 amended to read:

25 **26-2-805.5. Exemptions - requirements.** (2) As a prerequisite  
26 to entering into a valid Colorado child care assistance program contract  
27 with a county office or to being a party to any other payment agreement

1 for the provision of care for a child whose care is funded in whole or in  
2 part with moneys received on the child's behalf from publicly funded state  
3 child care assistance programs, an exempt family child care home  
4 provider shall sign an attestation that affirms he or she, and any qualified  
5 adult residing in the exempt family child care home, has not been  
6 determined to be insane or mentally incompetent by a court of competent  
7 jurisdiction and a court has not entered, pursuant to part 3 or 4 of article  
8 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~ SECTION  
9 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order specifically finding that the  
10 mental incompetency or insanity is of such a degree that the provider  
11 cannot safely operate an exempt family child care home.

12 **SECTION 75.** 26-6-102 (8), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended to read:

14 **26-6-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context  
15 otherwise requires:

16 (8) "Residential child care facility" means a facility licensed by  
17 the state department pursuant to this part 1 to provide twenty-four-hour  
18 group care and treatment for five or more children operated under private,  
19 public, or nonprofit sponsorship. "Residential child care facility" includes  
20 community-based residential child care facilities, shelter facilities, and  
21 therapeutic residential child care facilities as defined in rule by the state  
22 board, and psychiatric residential treatment facilities as defined in section  
23 25.5-4-103 (19.5), C.R.S. A residential child care facility may be eligible  
24 for designation by the executive director of the state department pursuant  
25 to ~~article 10~~ ARTICLE 65 of title 27, C.R.S.

26 **SECTION 76.** 26-6-104 (8) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
27 amended to read:

1           **26-6-104. Licenses - out-of-state notices and consent -**  
2 **demonstration pilot program.** (8) The state department, a county  
3 department, or a child placement agency licensed under the provisions of  
4 this part 1 shall not issue a license or certificate to operate any agency or  
5 facility defined in this part 1 if the person applying for such license or  
6 certificate or an affiliate of the applicant, a person employed by the  
7 applicant, or a person who resides with the applicant at the facility:

8           (a) Has been determined to be insane or mentally incompetent by  
9 a court of competent jurisdiction and, should a court enter, pursuant to  
10 part 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4)~~  
11 ~~or 27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
12 specifically finding that the mental incompetency or insanity is of such a  
13 degree that the applicant is incapable of operating a family child care  
14 home, foster care home, child care center, or child placement agency, the  
15 record of such determination and entry of such order being conclusive  
16 evidence thereof.

17           **SECTION 77.** 26-6-108 (2) (b) and (2.5) (a) (I) (C), Colorado  
18 Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

19           **26-6-108. Denial of license - suspension - revocation -**  
20 **probation - refusal to renew license - fines.** (2) The department may  
21 deny an application, or suspend, revoke, or make probationary the license  
22 of any facility regulated and licensed under this part 1 or assess a fine  
23 against the licensee pursuant to section 26-6-114 should the licensee, an  
24 affiliate of the licensee, a person employed by the licensee, or a person  
25 who resides with the licensee at the facility:

26           (b) Be determined to be insane or mentally incompetent by a court  
27 of competent jurisdiction and, should a court enter, pursuant to part 3 or

1 part 4 of article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or~~  
2 ~~27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
3 specifically finding that the mental incompetency or insanity is of such a  
4 degree that the licensee is incapable of operating a family child care  
5 home, foster care home, or child care center, the record of such  
6 determination and entry of such order being conclusive evidence thereof;  
7 or

8 (2.5) (a) (I) The state department shall deny an application for a  
9 license under the circumstances described in section 26-6-104 (7). The  
10 state department shall revoke or suspend a license previously issued if:

11 (C) The licensee, an affiliate of the licensee, a person employed  
12 by the licensee, or a person who resides with the licensee at the facility  
13 has been determined to be insane or mentally incompetent by a court of  
14 competent jurisdiction and, should a court enter, pursuant to part 3 or part  
15 4 of article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~  
16 SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order specifically finding  
17 that the mental incompetency or insanity is of such a degree that the  
18 licensee is incapable of operating a family child care home, foster care  
19 home, or child care center, the record of such determination and entry of  
20 such order being conclusive evidence thereof.

21 **SECTION 78.** 26-6-120 (3) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
22 amended to read:

23 **26-6-120. Exempt family child care home providers -**  
24 **fingerprint-based criminal history records check - child care**  
25 **assistance program moneys - temporary care - definitions.** (3) A  
26 contract to provide moneys under the Colorado child care assistance  
27 program pursuant to part 8 of article 2 of this title shall not be issued or

1 renewed by the state department or a county department to an exempt  
2 family child care home provider if the provider or a qualified adult who  
3 resides with the provider:

4 (b) Has been determined to be insane or mentally incompetent by  
5 a court of competent jurisdiction and a court has entered, pursuant to part  
6 3 or 4 of article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or~~  
7 ~~27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
8 specifically finding that the mental incompetency or insanity is of such a  
9 degree that the provider cannot safely operate an exempt family child care  
10 home. The record of such determination and entry of such order shall be  
11 conclusive evidence thereof. An exempt family child care home provider  
12 shall sign an attestation affirming the lack of such a finding prior to  
13 entering into or renewing a contract for moneys under the Colorado child  
14 care assistance program, pursuant to section 26-2-805.5 (2).

15 **SECTION 79.** 26-20-102 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended to read:

17 **26-20-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context  
18 otherwise requires:

19 (2) "Chemical restraint" means giving an individual medication  
20 involuntarily for the purpose of restraining that individual; except that  
21 "chemical restraint" does not include the involuntary administration of  
22 medication pursuant to ~~section 27-10-111 (4.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-111 (5),  
23 C.R.S., or administration of medication for voluntary or life-saving  
24 medical procedures.

25 **SECTION 80.** 26-20-103 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
26 amended to read:

27 **26-20-103. Basis for use of restraint.** (3) In addition to the



1 circumstances described in subsection (1) of this section, a facility, as  
2 defined in ~~section 27-10-102 (4.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (7), C.R.S., that is  
3 designated by the executive director of the department of human services  
4 to provide treatment pursuant to ~~section 27-10-105, 27-10-106,~~  
5 ~~27-10-107, or 27-10-109~~ SECTION 27-65-105, 27-65-106, 27-65-107, OR  
6 27-65-109, C.R.S., to a person with mental illness, as defined in ~~section~~  
7 ~~27-10-102 (8.5)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (14), C.R.S., may use seclusion to  
8 restrain a person with a mental illness when the seclusion is necessary to  
9 eliminate a continuous and serious disruption of the treatment  
10 environment.

11 **SECTION 81.** 30-28-115 (2) (b.5), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
12 is amended to read:

13 **30-28-115. Public welfare to be promoted - legislative**  
14 **declaration - construction.** (2) (b.5) The general assembly declares that  
15 the establishment of state-licensed group homes for the exclusive use of  
16 persons with mental illness as that term is defined in ~~section 27-10-102~~  
17 SECTION 27-65-102, C.R.S., is a matter of statewide concern and that a  
18 state-licensed group home for eight persons with mental illness is a  
19 residential use of property for zoning purposes, as defined in section  
20 31-23-301 (4), C.R.S. A group home for persons with mental illness  
21 established under this paragraph (b.5) shall not be located within seven  
22 hundred fifty feet of another such group home or of another group home  
23 as defined in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection (2), unless  
24 otherwise provided for by the county. A person shall not be placed in a  
25 group home without being screened by either a professional person, as  
26 defined in ~~section 27-10-102 (11)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (17), C.R.S., or any  
27 other such mental health professional designated by the director of a

1 facility, which facility is approved by the executive director of the  
2 department of human services pursuant to ~~section 27-1-103~~ SECTION  
3 27-90-102, C.R.S. Persons determined to be not guilty by reason of  
4 insanity to a violent offense shall not be placed in such group homes, and  
5 any person who has been convicted of a felony involving a violent  
6 offense shall not be eligible for placement in such group homes. The  
7 provisions of this paragraph (b.5) shall be implemented, where  
8 appropriate, by the rules of the department of public health and  
9 environment concerning residential treatment facilities for persons with  
10 mental illness. Nothing in this paragraph (b.5) shall be construed to  
11 exempt such group homes from compliance with any state, county, or  
12 municipal health, safety, and fire codes.

13 **SECTION 82.** 31-23-303 (2) (b.5), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
14 is amended to read:

15 **31-23-303. Legislative declaration.** (2) (b.5) The general  
16 assembly declares that the establishment of state-licensed group homes  
17 for the exclusive use of persons with mental illness as that term is defined  
18 in ~~section 27-10-102~~ SECTION 27-65-102, C.R.S., is a matter of statewide  
19 concern and that a state-licensed group home for eight persons with  
20 mental illness is a residential use of property for zoning purposes, as  
21 defined in section 31-23-301 (4). A group home for persons with mental  
22 illness established under this paragraph (b.5) shall not be located within  
23 seven hundred fifty feet of another such group home, unless otherwise  
24 provided for by the municipality. A person shall not be placed in a group  
25 home without being screened by either a professional person, as defined  
26 in ~~section 27-10-102 (11)~~ SECTION 27-65-102 (17), C.R.S., or any other  
27 such mental health professional designated by the director of a facility,

1 which facility is approved by the executive director of the department of  
2 human services pursuant to ~~section 27-1-103~~ SECTION 27-90-102, C.R.S.  
3 Persons determined to be not guilty by reason of insanity to a violent  
4 offense shall not be placed in such group homes, and any person who has  
5 been convicted of a felony involving a violent offense shall not be  
6 eligible for placement in such group homes. The provisions of this  
7 paragraph (b.5) shall be implemented, where appropriate, by the rules of  
8 the department of public health and environment concerning residential  
9 treatment facilities for persons with mental illness. Nothing in this  
10 paragraph (b.5) shall be construed to exempt such group homes from  
11 compliance with any state, county, or municipal health, safety, and fire  
12 codes.

13 **SECTION 83.** 38-1-202 (1) (b) (IV) (F), Colorado Revised  
14 Statutes, is amended to read:

15 **38-1-202. Governmental entities, corporations, and persons**  
16 **authorized to use eminent domain.** (1) The following governmental  
17 entities, types of governmental entities, and public corporations, in  
18 accordance with all procedural and other requirements specified in this  
19 article and articles 2 to 7 of this title and to the extent and within any time  
20 frame specified in the applicable authorizing statute may exercise the  
21 power of eminent domain:

22 (b) The state:

23 (IV) By action of the general assembly or by action of any of the  
24 following officers and agencies of the state:

25 (F) The governor as authorized in ~~section 27-1-103 (2)~~ SECTION  
26 27-90-102 (2), C.R.S.;

27 **SECTION 84.** 42-2-116 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

1 amended to read:

2 **42-2-116. Restricted license.** (5) The department is authorized  
3 after examination to issue a restricted license to a person with a mental  
4 illness or a developmental disability, containing such restrictions as may  
5 be imposed upon said person by a court pursuant to part 3 or part 4 of  
6 article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or 27-10-125~~  
7 SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S.

8 **SECTION 85.** 42-2-125 (1) (h), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read:

10 **42-2-125. Mandatory revocation of license and permit.**

11 (1) The department shall immediately revoke the license or permit of any  
12 driver or minor driver upon receiving a record showing that such driver  
13 has:

14 (h) Been determined to be mentally incompetent by a court of  
15 competent jurisdiction and for whom a court has entered, pursuant to part  
16 3 or part 4 of article 14 of title 15, C.R.S., or ~~section 27-10-109 (4) or~~  
17 ~~27-10-125~~ SECTION 27-65-109 (4) OR 27-65-127, C.R.S., an order  
18 specifically finding that the mental incompetency is of such a degree that  
19 the person is incapable of safely operating a motor vehicle;

20 **SECTION 86.** 42-4-1301 (7) (d) (IV) (A) and (7) (d) (IV) (B),  
21 Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

22 **42-4-1301. Driving under the influence - driving while**  
23 **impaired - driving with excessive alcoholic content - definitions -**  
24 **penalties - repeal.** (7) **Penalties.** (d) In addition to the penalties  
25 prescribed in this subsection (7):

26 (IV) (A) Persons convicted of DUI, DUI per se, DWAI, and  
27 habitual user are subject to an additional penalty surcharge of not less

1 than one dollar and not more than ten dollars for programs to address  
2 alcohol and substance abuse problems among persons in rural areas. The  
3 minimum penalty surcharge shall be mandatory, and the court shall have  
4 no discretion to suspend or waive the surcharge; except that the court may  
5 suspend or waive the surcharge for a defendant determined by the court  
6 to be indigent. Any moneys collected for the surcharge shall be  
7 transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the rural  
8 alcohol and substance abuse cash fund created in ~~section 25-1-217 (3)~~  
9 SECTION 27-80-117 (3), C.R.S.

10 (B) This subparagraph (IV) is repealed, effective July 1, 2016,  
11 unless the general assembly extends the repeal of the rural alcohol and  
12 substance abuse prevention and treatment program created in ~~section~~  
13 ~~25-1-217~~ SECTION 27-80-117, C.R.S.

14 **SECTION 87.** 42-4-1301.3 (4) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended to read:

16 **42-4-1301.3. Alcohol and drug driving safety program.**

17 (4) (a) There is hereby created an alcohol and drug driving safety  
18 program fund in the office of the state treasurer to the credit of which  
19 shall be deposited all moneys as directed by this paragraph (a). The  
20 assessment in effect on July 1, 1998, shall remain in effect unless the  
21 judicial department and the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN  
22 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL  
23 HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO  
24 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, have provided to the general  
25 assembly a statement of the cost of the program, including costs of  
26 administration for the past and current fiscal year to include a proposed  
27 change in the assessment. The general assembly shall then consider the

1 proposed new assessment and approve the amount to be assessed against  
2 each person during the following fiscal year in order to ensure that the  
3 alcohol and drug driving safety program established in this section shall  
4 be financially self-supporting. Any adjustment in the amount to be  
5 assessed shall be so noted in the appropriation to the judicial department  
6 and the division of alcohol and drug abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
7 HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS  
8 AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND  
9 SUBSTANCE ABUSE, as a footnote or line item related to this program in  
10 the general appropriation bill. The state auditor shall periodically audit  
11 the costs of the programs to determine that they are reasonable and that  
12 the rate charged is accurate based on these costs. Any other fines, fees,  
13 or costs levied against such person shall not be part of the program fund.  
14 The amount assessed for the alcohol and drug evaluation shall be  
15 transmitted by the court to the state treasurer to be credited to the alcohol  
16 and drug driving safety program fund. Fees charged under ~~sections~~  
17 ~~25-1-306 (1), C.R.S., and 25-1-1102 (1)~~ SECTIONS 27-81-106 (1) AND  
18 27-82-103 (1), C.R.S., to approved alcohol and drug treatment facilities  
19 that provide level I and level II programs as provided in paragraph (c) of  
20 subsection (3) of this section shall be transmitted to the state treasurer,  
21 who shall credit the fees to the alcohol and drug driving safety program  
22 fund. Upon appropriation by the general assembly, these funds shall be  
23 expended by the judicial department and the division of alcohol and drug  
24 abuse UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES THAT ADMINISTERS  
25 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE  
26 RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE, for the  
27 administration of the alcohol and drug driving safety program. In

1 administering the alcohol and drug driving safety program, the judicial  
2 department is authorized to contract with any agency for such services as  
3 the judicial department deems necessary. Moneys deposited in the  
4 alcohol and drug driving safety program fund shall remain in said fund to  
5 be used for the purposes set forth in this section and shall not revert or  
6 transfer to the general fund except by further act of the general assembly.

7 **SECTION 88.** 42-4-1701 (4) (f), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended to read:

9 **42-4-1701. Traffic offenses and infractions classified -**  
10 **penalties - penalty and surcharge schedule - repeal.** (4) (f) (I) In  
11 addition to the surcharge specified in sub-subparagraph (N) of  
12 subparagraph (I) of paragraph (a) of this subsection (4), an additional  
13 surcharge of five dollars shall be assessed for a violation of section  
14 42-4-1301 (2) (a.5). Moneys collected pursuant to this paragraph (f) shall  
15 be transmitted to the state treasurer who shall deposit such moneys in the  
16 rural alcohol and substance abuse cash fund created in ~~section 25-1-217~~  
17 ~~(3)~~ SECTION 27-80-117 (3), C.R.S., within fourteen days after the end of  
18 each quarter, to be used for the purposes set forth in ~~section 25-1-217~~  
19 SECTION 27-80-117, C.R.S.

20 (II) If the additional surcharge is collected by a county court, the  
21 additional surcharge shall be six dollars of which one dollar shall be  
22 retained by the county and the remaining five dollars shall be transmitted  
23 to the state treasurer and credited to the rural alcohol and substance abuse  
24 cash fund created in ~~section 25-1-217~~ (3) SECTION 27-80-117 (3), C.R.S.,  
25 within fourteen days after the end of each quarter, to be used for the  
26 purposes set forth in ~~section 25-1-217~~ SECTION 27-80-117, C.R.S.

27 (III) This paragraph (f) is repealed, effective July 1, 2016, unless

1 the general assembly extends the repeal of the rural alcohol and substance  
2 abuse prevention and treatment program created in ~~section 25-1-217~~  
3 SECTION 27-80-117, C.R.S.

4 **SECTION 89.** 42-4-1705 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read:

6 **42-4-1705. Person arrested to be taken before the proper**  
7 **court.** (3) Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding,  
8 a police officer may place a person who has been arrested and charged  
9 with DUI, DUI per se, or UDD and who has been given a written notice  
10 or summons to appear in court as provided in section 42-4-1707 in a  
11 state-approved treatment facility for alcoholism even though entry or  
12 other record of such arrest and charge has been made. Such placement  
13 shall be governed by ~~part 3 of article 1 of title 25~~ ARTICLE 81 OF TITLE 27,  
14 C.R.S., except where in conflict with this section.

15 **SECTION 90. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
16 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
17 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.