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HOUSE BILL 12-1244

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING AN INVENTORY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
102	MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS, AND, IN
103	CONNECTION THEREWITH, REQUIRING THE INCLUSION OF
104	CERTAIN INFORMATION IN THE INVENTORY.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill directs the secretary of state to create an inventory of local governmental entities and describes the information that must be included

in the inventory. The inventory must be available electronically, but the secretary of state shall charge users a fee to access the data related to agents authorized to receive notices of claims under the "Colorado Governmental Immunity Act" (act).

Filing a notice of a claim arising under the act with a person listed as an agent in the inventory is deemed to satisfy requirements for filing such notice. Service to the most recently listed registered agent is deemed valid if the local governmental entity failed to timely update its registered agent information.

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

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-10-109, amend
3 (3) as follows:

4 24-10-109. Notice required - contents - to whom given -5 **limitations.** (3) (a) If the claim is against the state or an employee 6 thereof, the notice shall be filed with the attorney general. If the claim is 7 against any other public entity or an employee thereof, the notice shall be 8 filed with the governing body of the public entity or the attorney 9 representing the public entity. Such notice shall be effective upon mailing 10 by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or upon personal 11 service.

(b) A NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION THAT IS PROPERLY
FILED WITH A PUBLIC ENTITY'S REGISTERED AGENT, WHO IS LISTED IN THE
INVENTORY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION
24-32-116, IS DEEMED TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.
SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 24-32-116 as
follows:
24-32-116. Inventory of local governmental entities -

information required - definitions. (1) As used in this section,
unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS. 1 2 (b) "INVENTORY" MEANS THE ON-LINE DATABASE OF ACTIVE 3 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS OF THE 4 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. 5 (c) "LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY" MEANS A CITY, COUNTY, 6 CITY AND COUNTY, SPECIAL DISTRICT, SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR OTHER UNIT 7 OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT. 8 (d) "REGISTERED AGENT" MEANS A PERSON DESIGNATED BY A 9 LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY TO RECEIVE A FILING OF A NOTICE OF 10 CLAIM PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-10-109(3). 11 (2) (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UPDATE AND EXPAND THE 12 INVENTORY AND ANY ASSOCIATED FORMS OR DOCUMENTS AS NECESSARY 13 TO OBTAIN AND INTEGRATE, FOR EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, 14 THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION. 15 (b) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION PRECLUDES THE DEPARTMENT FROM 16 INCLUDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THE INVENTORY. 17 (3) (a) NO LATER THAN TWELVE MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE 18 DATE OF THIS SECTION, EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY IN THE STATE 19 SHALL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT, 20 WHICH SHALL INCLUDE THE SAME IN THE INVENTORY: 21 (I) THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY: 22 (II) THE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL 23 ENTITY; 24 (III) IF OTHER THAN THE PRINCIPAL ADDRESS, THE MAILING 25 ADDRESS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; 26 (IV) THE NAME OF THE REGISTERED AGENT; AND (V) THE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED AGENT. 27

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(b) A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY SHALL UPDATE ANY
INFORMATION PROVIDED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
SUBSECTION (3) AS REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT. FAILURE TO UPDATE
THE INFORMATION PROVIDED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
SUBSECTION (3) RENDERS ANY NOTICE TO THE LAST REGISTERED AGENT IN
THE INVENTORY VALID AS A MATTER OF LAW.

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8 (4) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE THE INVENTORY ACCESSIBLE
9 FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE.

10 (5) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION PRECLUDES THE FILING OF A NOTICE
11 OF CLAIM OR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS ON ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED BY
12 LAW.

13 SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 14 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 15 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 16 8, 2012, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2012); except that, if a 17 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 18 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 19 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 20 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 21 November 2012 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 22 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.