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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT
102	INSURANCE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
103	TO ADMINISTER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAM.

### **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 division of employment and training (E&T division) in the department of labor and employment (department) is currently tasked with administering both the unemployment compensation program and the work force development program within the department. The bill

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creates a new division of unemployment insurance (UI division) within the department and tasks the UI division with administering the unemployment compensation program. The E&T division is relocated to a new article in the statutes and is tasked with administering the work force development program.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	<b>SECTION 1.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-1-121, <b>amend</b> (3)
3	introductory portion and (3) (b); and add (3) (g) as follows:
4	24-1-121. Department of labor and employment - creation.
5	(3) The department of labor and employment shall consist CONSISTS of
6	the following divisions:
7	(b) The division of employment and training, the head of which
8	shall be IS the director of the division of employment and training. Said
9	THE division, created by article 71 83 of title 8, C.R.S., and the director
10	thereof OF THE DIVISION shall exercise their powers, duties, and functions
11	under the department of labor and employment as if transferred by a type
12	2 transfer.
13	(g) THE DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, THE HEAD OF
14	WHICH IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.
15	THE DIVISION, CREATED IN ARTICLE 71 OF TITLE 8, C.R.S., AND THE
16	DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION SHALL EXERCISE THEIR POWERS, DUTIES, AND
17	FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AS IF
18	TRANSFERRED BY A TYPE 2 TRANSFER.
19	<b>SECTION 2.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-70-103, <b>amend</b> (8)
20	as follows:
21	<b>8-70-103. Definitions.</b> As used in articles 70 to 82 of this title,
22	unless the context otherwise requires:
23	(8) "Division" means the division of employment and training

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1	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.
2	<b>SECTION 3.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, <b>amend</b> 8-71-101 as
3	follows:
4	8-71-101. Division of unemployment insurance created -
5	<b>director.</b> There is hereby created a division of employment and training
6	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE within the department of labor and
7	employment, the head of which shall be IS the director of the division. of
8	employment and training. Whenever any law of this state refers to the
9	division of employment, said law shall be deemed to refer to the division
10	of employment and training.
11	<b>SECTION 4.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, <b>amend</b> 8-71-102 as
12	follows:
13	8-71-102. Powers, duties, and functions - acceptance of
14	moneys. (1) The functions of the division of employment and training
15	shall comprise all administrative functions of the state in relation to the
16	administration of articles 70 to 82 of this title. The DIRECTOR OF THE
17	DIVISION SHALL PERFORM THE powers, duties, and functions of the
18	director of the division prescribed under articles 70 to 82 of this title
19	including rule-making, regulation, licensing, promulgation of rules, rates,
20	regulations, and standards, and the rendering of findings, orders, and
21	adjudications, shall be performed under the direction and supervision of
22	the executive director of the department of labor and employment, as
23	prescribed by section 24-1-105 (4), C.R.S. ANY VACANCY IN THE OFFICE
24	OF DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION SHALL BE FILLED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED
25	BY LAW.
26	(2) The division may accept and expend moneys from gifts,
27	grants, donations, and other nongovernmental contributions for the

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1	purposes for which the division is authorized.
2	<b>SECTION 5.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, <b>amend</b> 8-71-103 as
3	follows:
4	8-71-103. Organization of division. (1) There shall be in the
5	division the unemployment compensation section and the employment
6	service section. The unemployment compensation and employment
7	service sections shall be coordinate sections of the administrative
8	organization.
9	(2) (a) The unemployment compensation section of the division
10	shall constitute CONSTITUTES an enterprise for purposes of section 20 of
11	article X of the state constitution, as long as the unemployment
12	compensation section DIVISION retains authority to issue revenue bonds
13	and the section DIVISION receives less than ten percent of its total annual
14	revenues in grants, as defined in section 24-77-102 (7), C.R.S., from all
15	Colorado state and local governments combined. For as long as it
16	constitutes an enterprise pursuant to this section, the unemployment
17	compensation section of the division shall Is not be subject to section 20
18	of article X of the state constitution.
19	(b) (I) Except as provided in subparagraph (II) of this paragraph
20	(b), the enterprise established pursuant to this subsection (2) shall have
21	HAS all the powers and duties authorized by articles 70 to 82 of this title
22	pertaining to unemployment INSURANCE AND UNEMPLOYMENT
23	compensation. The enterprise is not authorized to perform those powers
24	and duties granted to the employment service section of the division
25	pursuant to section 8-71-106, and the department's powers and duties
26	under the "Colorado Work Force Investment Act", part 2 of this article.

(II) The employment support fund established in section 8-77-109

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1	(1) shall not be included in or administered by the enterprise established
2	pursuant to this subsection (2).
3	(c) Nothing in this subsection (2) shall be construed to limit
4	LIMITS or restrict RESTRICTS the authority of the unemployment
5	compensation section DIVISION to expend its revenues consistent with the
6	provisions of articles 70 to 82 of this title.
7	(d) Subject to approval by the general assembly, either by bill or
8	by joint resolution, and after approval by the governor pursuant to section
9	39 of article V of the state constitution, the unemployment compensation
10	section DIVISION is hereby authorized to issue revenue bonds for the
11	expenses of the section DIVISION, secured by any revenues of the section
12	DIVISION.
13	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add with amended
14	and relocated provisions article 83 to title 8 as follows:
15	ARTICLE 83
16	Work Force Development
17	PART 1
18	DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT
19	AND TRAINING
20	8-83-101. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the
21	CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
22	(1) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND
23	EMPLOYMENT CREATED IN SECTION 24-1-121, C.R.S.
24	(2) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION.
25	(3) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT AND
26	TRAINING IN THE DEPARTMENT.
27	8-83-102. Division of employment and training created -

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1	director. There is hereby created a division of employment and
2	TRAINING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT, THE
3	HEAD OF WHICH IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT AND
4	TRAINING.
5	8-83-103. Powers, duties, and functions - acceptance of
6	moneys. (1) The functions of the division comprise all
7	ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE STATE IN RELATION TO THE
8	ADMINISTRATION OF THIS ARTICLE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL PERFORM HIS OR
9	HER POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS PRESCRIBED UNDER THIS ARTICLE
10	UNDER THE DIRECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
11	THE DEPARTMENT, AS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 24-1-105 (4), C.R.S. ANY
12	VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR SHALL BE FILLED IN THE MANNER
13	PROVIDED BY LAW.
14	(2) THE DIVISION MAY ACCEPT AND EXPEND MONEYS FROM GIFTS,
15	GRANTS, DONATIONS, AND OTHER NONGOVERNMENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS
16	FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE DIVISION IS AUTHORIZED.
17	8-83-104. [Formerly 8-71-106] State employment service.
18	(1) The Colorado state employment service is established AS A SECTION
19	in the division. of employment and training as a section thereof. The
20	division, through such THE section, shall establish and maintain free
21	public employment offices in such THE number and in such places
22	LOCATIONS as may be necessary for the proper administration of articles
23	70 to 82 of this title ARTICLE and for the purposes of performing such THE
24	duties as THAT are within the purview of the act of congress entitled "An
25	Act To provide for the establishment of a national employment system
26	and for cooperation with the States in the promotion of such system, and
27	for other purposes.", approved June 6, 1933 (48 Stat. 113; 29 U.S.C. sec.

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1	49 (c)), as amended, It is the duty of AND REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION
2	AS THE FEDERAL ACT.
3	(2) The division to SHALL:
4	(a) Cooperate with any official or agency of the United States
5	having powers or duties under the provisions of the said FEDERAL act, of
6	congress, as amended, or under such other FEDERAL acts of congress as
7	may be created for similar purposes; to
8	(b) Cooperate with or enter into agreements with the railroad
9	retirement board with respect to the establishment, maintenance, and use
10	of free employment service facilities; and to do and
11	(c) Perform all things ACTS necessary to secure to this state the
12	benefits of the said FEDERAL act, of congress, as amended, in the
13	promotion and maintenance of a system of public employment offices.
14	(3) The STATE ACCEPTS THE provisions of the said FEDERAL act,
15	of congress, as amended, are accepted by this state in conformity with
16	section 4 of said THE FEDERAL act, and this state will observe and comply
17	with the requirements thereof OF THE FEDERAL ACT. The Colorado
18	division of employment is designated AS the agency of this state for the
19	purposes of said THE FEDERAL act. The division is directed to SHALL
20	appoint such officers and employees of the Colorado state employment
21	service as necessary for the proper administration of articles 70 to 82 of
22	this title ARTICLE.
23	(2) Repealed.
24	8-83-105. Personnel. Subject to other provisions of this
25	ARTICLE AND THE STATE PERSONNEL SYSTEM REGULATIONS, THE DIVISION
26	IS AUTHORIZED TO APPOINT, FIX THE COMPENSATION, AND PRESCRIBE THE
27	DUTIES AND POWERS OF SUCH OFFICERS, ACCOUNTANTS, ATTORNEYS,

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1	EXPERTS, AND OTHER PERSONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY IN THE
2	PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES. THE DIVISION MAY DELEGATE TO ANY
3	PERSON SO APPOINTED SUCH POWER AS IT DEEMS REASONABLE AND
4	PROPER FOR THE EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS ARTICLE. IN ITS
5	DISCRETION, THE DIVISION MAY BOND ANY PERSON HANDLING MONEYS OR
6	SIGNING CHECKS UNDER THIS ARTICLE.
7	PART 2
8	WORK FORCE INVESTMENT ACT
9	<b>8-83-201.</b> [Formerly 8-71-201] Short title. This part 2 shall be
10	known and may be cited as the "Colorado Work Force Investment Act".
11	$\textbf{8-83-202.} \ \textbf{[Formerly 8-71-202] Legislative declaration.} \ (1) \ \text{The}$
12	general assembly hereby finds and declares that:
13	(a) Passage of the federal "Workforce Investment Act of 1998",
14	29 U.S.C. sec. 2801 et seq., gives the state a unique opportunity to
15	develop a work force program and employment system designed to meet
16	the needs of employers, job seekers, and those who want to further their
17	careers;
18	(b) The federal act requires that training and employment
19	programs be designed and managed at the local government level, where
20	the needs of businesses and individuals are best understood;
21	(c) The federal act requires the involvement of business, both to
22	provide information and leadership and to play an active role in ensuring
23	that the system prepares people for current and future jobs;
24	(d) Passage of the federal act provided local governments with the
25	control and flexibility to carry out the federal act's purposes, subject to the
26	final authority and approval of the governor; and
27	(e) Therefore, it is in the state's best interest to adopt the Colorado

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2	(2) The general assembly recommends that:
3	(a) To the extent possible, counties or multi-county areas integrate
4	their work force investment program sources of funding to maximize the
5	resources available at the local level to provide the services authorized
6	under this part 2; and
7	(b) As the responsibility for implementing work force programs
8	continues to be devolved to local governments, Title I moneys identified
9	for state administration of programs implemented at the local level be as
10	specified in Title I of the federal "Workforce Investment Act of 1998".
11	8-83-203. [Formerly 8-71-203] Definitions. As used in this part
12	2, unless the context otherwise requires:
13	(1) "Colorado work force investment program" or "work force
14	investment program" means the program of work force development
15	created in this part 2.
16	(2) "Consortium local elected officials board" means the local
17	elected officials appointed by each local work force investment board in
18	the consortium work force investment area to serve as the local elected
19	official for a consortium work force investment area.
20	(3) "Consortium work force investment area" or "consortium area"
21	means an area designated by the governor as a federal work force
22	investment area. The consortium work force investment area may contain
23	one or more local work force investment areas.
24	(4) "Consortium work force investment board" or "consortium
25	board" means the work force board appointed by the consortium local
26	elected officials board. The consortium work force investment board
27	serves, on behalf of the local work force boards in the consortium area,

work force investment program set forth in this part 2.

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as the local work force investment board for specific functions under the federal act.

- (5) "Department" means the department of labor and employment created in section 24-1-121, C.R.S., or any other state agency specified by the governor through executive order or otherwise.
- (6) "Designated work force investment area" means a county or group of counties that have banded together through an intergovernmental agreement to provide a work force investment program and that is designated by the governor as a federal work force investment area. A designated work force investment area is not the same as the consortium work force investment area.
- (7) "Designated work force investment board" means the local work force investment board for a federally designated work force investment area.
- (8) "Federal act" means Title I of the federal "Workforce Investment Act of 1998", 29 U.S.C. sec. 2801 et seq.
  - (9) "Local elected officials" means the boards of county commissioners of the county or counties operating work force investment programs; except that, in the case of a city and county, "local elected officials" means the mayor.
- (10) "Local plan" means a plan, developed and executed by a local work force investment board, that outlines the functions and responsibilities for delivery of services within a work force investment area.
  - (11) "Local work force investment board" means the work force board of a local work force investment area within a consortium work force investment area.

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1	(12) "National program grant" means a grant under subtitle D of
2	Title I. of the federal act.
3	(13) "One-stop operator" means the entity selected by a work
4	force board, with concurrence by the local elected officials, to operate the
5	one-stop career center in a local area.
6	(14) "One-stop partner" means a person or organization described
7	in section <del>8-71-216</del> 8-83-216.
8	(15) "State council" means the state work force development
9	council created in section 24-46.3-101, C.R.S.
10	(16) "State plan" means a plan, developed by the governor with
11	the assistance of the state council and based upon local plans, for the
12	delivery of services statewide under the federal act.
13	(17) "Title I" means Title I of the federal act.
14	(18) "Title I moneys" means moneys distributed pursuant to Title
15	I.
16	(19) "Wagner-Peyser Act" means the federal "Wagner-Peyser
17	Act", 29 U.S.C. sec. 49a et seq.
18	(20) "Wagner-Peyser funds" means federal moneys received by
19	the Colorado department of labor and employment pursuant to the
20	"Wagner-Peyser Act". and Title III of the federal act.
21	(21) "Work force board" means either the designated work force
22	investment board or a local work force investment board.
23	(22) "Work force investment area" means either the designated
24	work force investment area or a local work force investment area.
25	8-83-204. [Formerly 8-71-204] Work force investment
26	<b>program - legislative declaration - purposes.</b> (1) The general assembly
27	finds, determines, and declares that this part 2 is adopted pursuant to the

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1	requirements of the federal "Workforce Investment Act of 1998", and is
2	intended to comply with the federal act's express requirements for
3	participants in the operation of work force investment programs.
4	(2) The purposes of this part 2 are to:
5	(a) Establish a central, coordinated delivery system at the local or
6	regional level through which any citizen may look for a job, explore work
7	preparation and career development services, and access a range of
8	employment, training, and occupational education programs offering their
9	services through local or regional work force investment programs;
10	(b) Develop strategies and policies that encourage job training,
11	education and literacy, and vocational programs;
12	(c) Consolidate and coordinate programs and services to ensure
13	a more streamlined and flexible work force development system at the
14	local or regional level;
15	(d) Establish single contact points for employers; and
16	(e) Allow counties increased responsibility for the administration
17	of the work force investment program.
18	8-83-205. [Formerly 8-71-205] Work force investment
19	program - creation - administration. (1) Under authority of the
20	governor, the department shall cooperate with the state council to help
21	establish and operate a network of work force investment areas as set
22	forth in this part 2.
23	(2) Work force investment areas may be established at a county
24	level or at a multi-county level through intergovernmental agreements
25	reached by the applicable local elected officials of the work force
26	investment area and subject to approval by the governor.

(3) Local elected officials shall govern the operation of work

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appointed by the local elected officials. At the option of the local elected officials and the work force board, work force investment programs may be operated by a county, the department, other governmental agencies, nonprofit or not-for-profit organizations, or private entities; except that Wagner-Peyser funds shall not be used to award contracts to nonprofit or not-for-profit organizations or private entities. Any AN entity that applies to become a work force program operator and is not selected may appeal such THE decision through any available appeal process of the applicable local governmental entity.

- (4) If federal or state financial support for the provision of employment and training services is eliminated or is reduced by an amount that is considered substantial by the local elected officials, the local elected officials shall ARE not be required to continue funding or operating work force investment programs.
- (5) The state council shall ensure that a work force investment area may function as a federally designated work force investment area in applying for available national program grants under the federal act. Each work force board may apply for a grant for its own area in the manner it deems most appropriate. A work force board may apply for a grant for its own area and receive any corresponding moneys awarded exclusively or may apply through other means and with other work force areas. Any grant moneys awarded to a work force investment area shall be a direct pass-through from the federal government to the applicable work force investment area or areas.
- (6) Any A work force investment area created pursuant to this part 2 shall be IS authorized by the governor to operate with the same authority

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and functions as if the area were a federally designated work force investment area.

**8-83-206.** [Formerly 8-71-206] Local elected officials - function - authority. The local elected officials shall maintain a strong role in all phases and levels of implementation of the federal act. The local elected officials in agreement with the work force board, of a work force investment area, shall be IN AGREEMENT WITH THE WORK FORCE BOARD, ARE authorized to award contracts for the administration, implementation, or operation of any aspect of the work force investment program to any appropriate public, private, or nonprofit entity in accordance with applicable county regulations and federal law; except that Wagner-Peyser funds shall not be used to award contracts to private or nonprofit entities.

8-83-207. [Formerly 8-71-207] Designated work force investment boards - consortium work force investment boards - local work force investment boards - authority - functions. (1) Designated work force investment boards shall be ARE subject to this part 2 and the federal act. Designated work force investment boards operate for a federally designated work force investment area.

(2) (a) The consortium work force investment board shall delegate to the local work force investment boards the functions and requirements specified in this part 2 and in the federal act for work force boards. Subject to the limits specified in this part 2, the consortium board operates as the local work force investment board for the federally designated consortium work force investment area.

(b) The consortium local elected officials board functions only as the local elected official for the consortium work force investment board. The consortium local elected officials board performs only those

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specified functions authorized in section 8-71-214 8-83-214.

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(3) Local work force investment boards operate as the work force boards for the local work force investment areas operating within the consortium work force investment area and as further specified in section 8-71-213 8-83-213. To the extent possible, local work force investment boards shall be ARE subject to the requirements contained in this part 2 and the federal act. If a local work force investment board finds that compliance with any such requirement is not practicable, the work force board shall include in its local plan a description of the requirement and an explanation of why compliance is impracticable. Requirements that may be so described and explained include but are not limited to, work force board membership requirements as specified in section 8-71-210 8-83-210, youth council membership requirements listed in section 8-71-212 8-83-212, and requirements for partners described in section 8-71-216 8-83-216. Although each local work force investment board has such discretion, it nevertheless shall be IS subject to the outcome and performance measures required by the federal act and as negotiated with the consortium work force investment board in approving the local plan. Each local work force investment board shall be required to meet the intent and purposes of this part 2 and the federal act.

# 8-83-208. [Formerly 8-71-208] Implementation - local plans.

(1) (a) The Colorado work force investment program shall be administered according to the state five-year plan prepared in accordance with the local plans created pursuant to this section. Each designated work force investment area shall submit a plan that meets the requirements of subsection (2) of this section to the governor for approval.

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1	(b) The consortium work force investment board shall develop a
2	local plan that shall consist CONSISTS of a compilation of local plans
3	submitted by each local work force investment board. The consortium
4	work force investment board shall ensure that the local plan for the
5	consortium area, in total, meets the requirements specified in subsection
6	(2) of this section and shall submit such plan to the governor for approval.
7	Local work force investment boards within the consortium work force
8	investment area shall submit local plans to the consortium work force
9	investment board for approval.
10	(2) Local plans for work force investment areas. Subject to the
11	approval of, and in partnership with, the local elected officials, each work
12	force board shall develop a comprehensive five-year local plan. The plan
13	shall include:
14	(a) A description of:
15	(I) The work force development needs of businesses, job seekers,
16	and workers in the area;
17	(II) The current and projected employment opportunities in the
18	area; and
19	(III) The job skills necessary to obtain such employment
20	opportunities;
21	(b) A description of the work force investment program to be
22	established in the work force investment area, including:
23	(I) How the work force board will ensure the continuous
24	improvement of eligible providers of services through the system and
25	ensure that such providers meet the employment needs of local employers
26	and participants;
27	(II) A copy of each memorandum of understanding between the

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1	work force board and each of the federally required one-stop partners
2	concerning the operation of the work force investment program in the
3	local area; and
4	(III) A description of the local levels of performance negotiated
5	with the governor and local elected officials, for the purpose of measuring
6	the performance of the local area and to be used by the work force board
7	for measuring the performance of the local fiscal agent, if designated,
8	eligible providers, and the work force investment program in the local
9	area;
10	(c) A description and assessment of the type and availability of
11	adult and dislocated worker employment and training activities in the
12	local area;
13	(d) A description of how the work force board will coordinate
14	work force investment activities carried out in the area with statewide
15	rapid response activities, as appropriate;
16	(e) A description and assessment of the type and availability of
17	youth activities in the area, including an identification of successful
18	providers of such activities;
19	(f) A description of the process used by the work force board to
20	provide an opportunity for public comment, including comment by
21	representatives of businesses and labor organizations, where applicable,
22	and input into the development of the local plan prior to BEFORE
23	submission of the plan;
24	(g) Identification of the entity responsible for the disbursal of Title
25	I moneys described in section $8-71-219$ 8-83-221 as determined by the
26	local elected officials or the governor pursuant to said section;
27	(h) A description of the competitive process to be used to award

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1	the grants and contracts in the work force investment area for activities
2	implemented pursuant to this part 2; and
3	(i) Such other information as the governor may require.
4	(3) <b>Process.</b> Prior to the date the work force board submits a local
5	plan under this section, the work force board shall:
6	(a) Make available copies of the local plan to the public through
7	such means as public hearings and local news media including, where
8	feasible, the internet;
9	(b) Allow members of the work force board and members of the
10	public, including representatives of business and labor organizations, to
11	submit comments on the proposed plan to the work force board beginning
12	on the date on which the proposed local plan is made available and
13	continuing for a period of thirty days; and
14	(c) Include with the local plan submitted to the governor under
15	this section any such comments that represent disagreement with the plan.
16	(4) Plan submission and approval. A local plan submitted to the
17	governor under this section shall be IS considered to be approved by the
18	governor at the end of the ninety-day period that shall begin BEGINS on
19	the day the governor receives the plan, unless the governor makes a
20	written determination during the ninety-day period that:
21	(a) Deficiencies in activities carried out under this part 2 have
22	been identified, and the area has not made acceptable progress in
23	implementing corrective measures to address the deficiencies; or
24	(b) The plan does not comply with requirements under the federal
25	act.
26	8-83-209. [Formerly 8-71-209] State work force investment
27	<b>plan.</b> (1) In accordance with the federal act, the governor shall submit to

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1	the federal government a state plan that outlines a five-year strategy for
2	the Colorado work force investment program that meets the requirements
3	of the federal act. In addition to the plan requirements specified in
4	subsection (2) of this section, the state plan shall MUST be based upon and
5	consistent with the local plans submitted to the governor pursuant to
6	section <del>8-71-208</del> 8-83-208.
7	(2) <b>Content.</b> The state plan shall MUST include:
8	(a) A description of the state council, including how the state
9	council collaborated in the development of the state plan and a
10	description of how the state council will continue to collaborate in
11	carrying out the functions of the state council specified in section
12	<del>8-71-222</del> 8-83-224;
13	(b) A description of state-imposed requirements for the Colorado
14	work force investment program;
15	(c) A description of the performance accountability standards that
16	apply to work force activities;
17	(d) Information describing:
18	(I) The needs of the state with regard to current and projected
19	employment opportunities, by occupation;
20	(II) The job skills necessary to obtain such employment
21	opportunities;
22	(III) The skills and economic needs of the state's existing work
23	force; and
24	(IV) The type and availability of work force activities in the state;
25	(e) An identification of the work force investment areas in the
26	state, designated work force investment areas, the consortium work force
27	investment area, and the local work force investment areas in the

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1	consortium area, which shall include INCLUDING a description of the
2	process used for the designation of such areas;
3	(f) Identification of the criteria to be used by local elected officials
4	for the appointment of members of work force boards;
5	(g) The detailed plans required under the federal "Wagner-Peyser
6	Act"; <del>29 U.S.C. sec. 49a et seq.;</del>
7	(h) A description of the procedures that will be taken by the state
8	to assure coordination of and avoid duplication among:
9	(I) Work force investment activities authorized pursuant to the
10	federal act and this part 2;
11	(II) Additional federal programs authorized to be included in work
12	force systems;
13	(i) A description of the common data collection and reporting
14	processes used for the programs and activities described in paragraph (h)
15	of this subsection (2);
16	(j) A description of the process used by the state, consistent with
17	the process for local plans specified in section $8-71-208(3)$ 8-83-208(3),
18	to provide an opportunity for public comment, including comment by
19	representatives of businesses and representatives of labor organizations,
20	and input into development of the plan prior to BEFORE submission of the
21	plan;
22	(k) Information identifying how the state will use Title I moneys
23	the state receives under the federal act to leverage other federal, state,
24	local, and private resources in order to maximize the effectiveness of such
25	resources and to expand the participation of business, employees, and
26	individuals in the Colorado work force investment program;
27	(l) Assurances that the state will continue to provide, in

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accordance with federal requirements for fiscal control, accounting procedures that may be necessary to ensure the proper disbursement of, and accounting for, Title I moneys paid by the federal government to the state and allocated to the work force investment areas;

- (m) A description of the methods and factors the state will use in distributing Title I moneys to local areas for youth activities and adult employment and training activities, in accordance with the provisions of section 8-71-221 8-83-223;
- (n) A description of how the state consulted with the local elected officials in work force investment areas throughout the state in determining such money distribution, in accordance with the provisions of section 8-71-221 8-83-223;
- (o) A description of the formula for the allocation of Title I moneys to work force investment areas for dislocated worker employment and training activities, in accordance with the provisions of section 8-71-221 8-83-223;
- (p) Information specifying the actions that constitute a conflict of interest prohibited in the state as set forth for members of the state council described in section 24-46.3-101, C.R.S., or members of work force boards;
- (q) A description of the strategy of the state for assisting local governments in the development and implementation of a fully operational work force investment program in the state;
- (r) A description of the appeals process allowing a county or group of counties that requests but is not granted authority to form a work force investment area to submit an appeal of such decision to the state council;

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(s) A description of the competitive process to be used by the state to award grants and contracts in the state for activities carried out by the state under this part 2; and

- (t) A description of the employment and training activities and youth activities provided by work force investment areas.
- (3) The state plan shall MUST also include, to the extent practicable, how the state will pursue coordination and integration with other applicable federal and state programs in work force investment areas.
- 8-83-210. [Formerly 8-71-210] Work force boards membership. (1) There shall be established, in each work force investment area of the state, a work force board, which shall be appointed by the local elected officials of the work force investment area SHALL APPOINT to oversee the one-stop career center or work force investment program in that county or area. Work force boards operate in partnership with and subject to the approval of the local elected officials for the work force investment area. Such boards are authorized to operate only with the approval of the local elected officials. Subject to requirements under the federal act, the LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SHALL DETERMINE THE membership and functions of the boards. shall be determined by the local elected officials.
- (2) Membership of each such board shall MUST include, at a minimum:
- (a) Representatives of business in the work force investment area who are owners of businesses, who represent businesses with employment opportunities that reflect the employment opportunities of the local area, and who are appointed from among individuals nominated

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1	by local business organizations and business trade associations;
2	(b) Representatives of local educational entities, which may
3	include public schools, boards of cooperative educational services,
4	private occupational schools, and private or charter schools;
5	(c) Representatives of organized labor for those work force
6	investment areas that have organized labor organizations;
7	(d) Representatives of community-based organizations, at least
8	one of whom may represent the needs of persons with disabilities;
9	(e) Representatives of economic development agencies, including
10	private sector economic development entities; and
11	(f) Representatives of each of the work force partners for the work
12	force investment area.
13	(3) Members of the work force board who represent organizations,
14	agencies, or other entities shall MUST be individuals with optimum
15	policy-making authority within such organizations, agencies, or entities.
16	(4) A majority of the members of each work force board shall
17	MUST be the business representatives specified in paragraph (a) of
18	subsection (2) of this section.
19	(5) Each work force board shall elect a chairperson for the board
20	from among the business representatives specified in paragraph (a) of
21	subsection (2) of this section.
22	8-83-211. [Formerly 8-71-211] Functions of work force
23	<b>boards.</b> (1) Each work force board shall, in partnership with and subject
24	to the approval of the local elected officials for the work force investment
25	area, conduct the following functions:
26	(a) Develop the local plan;
27	(b) Designate, certify, and oversee work force investment

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1	programs;		
2	(c) Select one-stop operators to operate the one-stop career center		
3	in a local area;		
4	(d) Authorize grants for youth services;		
5	(e) Identify eligible providers of intensive services, if one-stop		
6	operators do not provide such services, and training services;		
7	(f) Develop and enter into memorandums of understanding with		
8	work force partners specified in section 8-71-216 (1) 8-83-216 (1);		
9	(g) Develop a budget for the purpose of carrying out the duties of		
10	the work force board;		
11	(h) Negotiate local performance measures;		
12	(i) Oversee and assist in statewide employment statistics systems;		
13	(j) Coordinate and develop employer linkages with work force		
14	investment activities carried out in the local area, including coordination		
15	of economic development strategies; and		
16	(k) Promote participation of private employers with the work		
17	force investment program while ensuring the effective provision, through		
18	the work force system, of connecting, brokering, and coaching activities		
19	through intermediaries such as the one-stop operator in the local area or		
20	through other organizations to assist such employers in meeting their		
21	hiring needs.		
22	(2) The work force board shall not provide training services;		
23	except that the governor may waive this prohibition annually if the work		
24	force board is a qualified provider of training that is in demand and in		
25	short supply for that county or area.		
26	(3) Work force boards are authorized to operate only with the		
27	approval of the local elected officials and governor.		

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<b>8-83-212.</b> [Formerly 8-71-212] Youth council. (1) Each work
force board shall establish, as a subgroup within the work force board, a
youth council. The WORK FORCE BOARD SHALL APPOINT THE youth council
shall be appointed by the work force board with the cooperation and
approval of the local elected officials. Members of the youth council who
are not members of the work force board shall be ARE voting members of
the youth council but ARE not voting members of the work force board.
(2) <b>Membership.</b> Membership of the youth council shall MUST be
as required under the federal act and shall MUST include:
(a) Members of the work force board with a special interest or
expertise in youth policy;
(b) Representatives of youth service agencies, including juvenile
justice and local law enforcement agencies, and representatives of local
public housing authorities;
(c) Parents of eligible youth seeking assistance under the youth
grant provisions of the federal act that may include parents representing
issues affecting youth with disabilities;
(d) Individuals, including former participants and representatives
or organizations, that have experience relating to youth activities;
(e) Representatives of the federal job corps if represented in the
local area; and
(f) Other individuals as the board, in cooperation with and with
the approval of the local elected officials, determine to be appropriate.
(3) <b>Duties.</b> The youth council shall perform the following duties
as specified in the federal act:
(a) Develop the portion of the local plan relating to eligible youth,
as determined by the chairperson of the work force board;

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1	(b) Subject to the approval of the work force board and consistent		
2	with section 123 of the federal act, recommend eligible providers of youth		
3	activities to be awarded grants or contracts on a competitive basis by the		
4	board to carry out youth activities;		
5	(c) Conduct performance oversight of eligible providers of youth		
6	activities in the local area;		
7	(d) Coordinate youth activities authorized under section 129 of the		
8	federal act in the local area; and		
9	(e) Other duties determined to be appropriate by the chairperson		
10	of the work force board.		
11	8-83-213. [Formerly 8-71-213] Consortium work force		
12	investment board. (1) There shall be established THE CONSORTIUM		
13	LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS BOARD in the A consortium work force		
14	investment area the SHALL ESTABLISH AND APPOINT A consortium work		
15	force investment board. which shall be appointed by the consortium local		
16	elected officials board. At a minimum, the membership of the consortium		
17	board shall MUST consist of representatives who are members of local		
18	work force investment boards. The consortium board shall meet the		
19	membership requirements under the federal act for a work force board for		
20	each local work force investment area of the consortium; except that		
21	members, as appropriate, may represent more than one entity specified by		
22	the federal act for the purpose of meeting local work force investment		
23	board membership requirements. The consortium board shall develop its		
24	own operational procedures.		
25	$(2) \ Functions \ of \ consortium \ board \ - \ delegation \ to \ local \ boards.$		
26	Unless otherwise specified in this section and subject to federal law, the		
27	consortium board shall delegate to the local work force investment boards		

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1	in the consortium area such local work force investment board authority
2	and functions specified under this part 2 and the federal act. Authority
3	and functions of the consortium board shall be ARE limited to the
4	following:
5	(a) Meeting the federal membership requirements for a designated
6	work force investment board for the local work force investment areas;
7	(b) Negotiating with, and approving local plans submitted by,
8	local work force investment boards;
9	(c) Compiling and consolidating each approved local plan of the
10	consortium area into one local plan for the consortium area and ensuring
11	that such THE plan meets the requirements under the federal act for a local
12	plan;
13	(d) Submitting such THE local plan to the governor for approval;
14	(e) Negotiating with the governor for performance standards for
15	the consortium area;
16	(f) Making recommendations to the governor concerning
17	procedures to temporarily replace or correct a local work force investment
18	area that is out of compliance with its local plan, as appropriate;
19	(g) Facilitating and coordinating local work force investment area
20	grant applications, as appropriate;
21	(h) Ensuring that any grant moneys awarded to a local work force
22	investment area or areas shall be ARE a direct pass-through from the
23	federal government to the eligible local work force investment area or
24	areas;
25	(i) Establishing, as a subgroup within the consortium board, a
26	youth council appointed by the consortium board in cooperation with the
27	consortium local elected officials board. Establishment of a consortium

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youth council shall serve to MUST meet the federal act requirements for youth council membership. The consortium youth council shall review and comment, as appropriate, upon that portion of the local plan relating to eligible youth and shall submit such THE plan to the consortium work force INVESTMENT board. Subject to federal law, the consortium board shall delegate to the local work force investment boards in the consortium area duties and functions specified in the federal act and in section 8-71-212 8-83-212 concerning youth councils.

- (j) Subject to federal law, delegating to the local work force investment boards in the consortium area duties and functions specified in the federal act and in sections 8-71-216 8-83-216 and 8-71-217 8-83-217 outlining requirements for one-stop partners and the memorandum of understanding between work force boards and one-stop partners.
- (3) **Local work force investment boards.** (a) To the extent possible and as outlined in the applicable local plan, each local work force investment board shall function as set forth in the federal act. In carrying out its duties, the local work force investment board shall operate in partnership with, and subject to the approval of, the local elected officials for the designated work force investment area.
- (b) **Membership.** Notwithstanding section 8-71-210(3) 8-83-210 (3), THE LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SHALL APPOINT members of each local work force investment board. shall be appointed by the local elected officials. Membership, to the extent possible, shall MUST meet the requirements of the federal act.
- (c) **Functions.** Notwithstanding section <del>8-71-211</del> 8-83-211, at a minimum, functions of the local work force investment board <del>shall</del> MUST

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be as set forth in this part 2 and the federal act. In addition, each local work force investment board shall:

- (I) Upon the approval of and in partnership with the local elected officials, develop a comprehensive five-year local plan for its local work force investment area and shall submit such THE local plan for approval to the consortium work force investment board. Such THE plan shall MUST include a description of those requirements under the federal act that the local work force investment board determines cannot be reasonably met while still fulfilling the intent and purposes of the federal act.
- (II) Apply for federal grants. Each local work force investment board may apply for national program grants on behalf of the area or in partnership with any other work force investment area. Any national program grant moneys awarded to a local work force investment area shall be ARE a direct pass-through from the federal government to the applicable work force investment area or areas.
- (III) To the extent possible and as outlined in the local plan, with the agreement of the local elected officials and notwithstanding the provisions of sections 8-71-216 8-83-216 and 8-71-217 8-83-217, designate or certify the one-stop partners and develop and negotiate the memorandum of understanding as set forth in sections 8-71-216 8-83-216 and 8-71-217 8-83-217;
- (IV) Establish, as a subgroup within the local work force investment board, a youth council to be appointed by the work force board in cooperation with the local elected officials. To the extent possible and as outlined in the local plan, the youth council's membership and functions shall MUST be as set forth in the federal act and section

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2 (V) Oversee the one-stop system in the local work force investment area.

8-83-214. [Formerly 8-71-214] Consortium local elected officials board. (1) In order to satisfy requirements under the federal act for the role of local elected officials in a work force area, there shall be a consortium local elected officials board for the LOCAL consortium local work force investment board. The consortium local elected officials board shall consist CONSISTS of one local elected official appointed by each local work force investment area in the consortium. Membership shall be Is for a term of two years, which term may be renewable.

(2) Functions of the consortium local elected officials board shall be ARE to appoint members to the consortium work force investment board and ensure that the consortium work force investment board meets federal requirements for membership and delegate fiscal responsibility and contractual responsibility to the local elected officials of local work force investment areas. The consortium local elected officials board shall develop its own operational procedures.

**8-83-215.** [Formerly 8-71-215] Designation of work force investment areas. (1) Subject to section 116(a) of chapter 2 of the federal act concerning designation of work force areas, any current or previously recognized service delivery area operating before the effective date of the federal act AUGUST 7, 1998, may automatically be designated as a work force investment area.

(2) If an area does not qualify for automatic designation, on an annual basis any county or group of counties may petition the governor to form a new work force investment area.

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(3) Subject to the governor's approval, counties may choose, through intergovernmental agreements, to band together to form a work force investment area for an area consisting of more than one county or may choose to operate a work force investment area as a single county. It is recommended that, If the proposed work force investment area meets the minimum federal requirements for an area as set forth in the federal act, the governor SHOULD not unreasonably withhold approval of the work force investment area.

- (4) (a) The governor may authorize and approve as a federally designated work force investment area any area that applies and qualifies as specified in subsection (1) of this section.
- (b) Automatic designation as a designated work force investment area shall be granted to any unit of local government with a population of five hundred thousand or more.
- (c) Automatic temporary designation as a designated work force investment area shall be granted to any unit or units of local government with a total population of two hundred thousand or more that constituted a service delivery area before the effective date of the federal act AUGUST 7, 1998, and that requests such designation. Temporary designation shall be Is for a period of not more than two years; except that the period may be extended until the end of the period covered by the five-year plan if the work force investment area has substantially met the local performance measures and sustained the fiscal integrity of its Title I funds MONEYS.
- (5) (a) The governor shall designate an additional federally designated work force investment area for the state, specified as the "consortium of local work force investment areas", which shall consist CONSISTS of all approved local work force investment areas. Any current

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1	or previously recognized service delivery area operating after the
2	effective date of the federal act AUGUST 7, 1998, may enter into or
3	withdraw from the consortium of local work force investment areas. Such
4	decision shall be allowed on an annual basis, with notice to be given by
5	February 1, for any designation to go into effect for the subsequent
6	program year by July 1 of the same year.
7	(b) Any approved local work force investment area in the
8	consortium work force investment area shall operate with the same
9	authority as, and function as if it were, a federally designated work force
10	investment area.
11	8-83-216. [Formerly 8-71-216] Required and optional partners
12	of work force boards. (1) Required partners. Each work force board,
13	with the agreement of the local elected officials, is authorized to
14	designate or certify the following partners for purposes of participating
15	in the delivery of services for the one-stop system or work force
16	investment program in the work force investment area:
17	(a) Work force investment programs;
18	(b) Adult education and literacy programs;
19	(c) Welfare-to-work programs;
20	(d) Programs under the federal "Carl D. Perkins Vocational and
21	Applied Technology Education Act", 20 U.S.C. sec. 2301 et seq.;
22	(e) Community service block grants;
23	(f) Unemployment insurance;
24	(g) "Wagner-Peyser ACT" services;
25	(h) Vocational rehabilitation programs;
26	(i) Programs under the federal "Older Americans Act of 1965";
27	(i) Programs under the federal "Trade Adjustment Assistance

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1	Reform and Extension Act of 1986";
2	(k) Programs under <del>chapter 41 of title</del> 38 U.S.C. SEC. 4100 ET
3	SEQ., concerning local veterans' employment representatives and disabled
4	veterans' outreach programs; and
5	(l) Employment and training programs administered by the federal
6	department of housing and urban development.
7	(2) <b>Optional partners.</b> Optional partners may include: but are not
8	<del>limited to:</del>
9	(a) Programs authorized under part A of Title IV of the federal
10	"Social Security Act", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 601;
11	(b) Programs authorized under the federal "Food Stamp Act of
12	1977", 7 U.S.C. SEC. 2011 ET SEQ.;
13	(c) Programs authorized under the federal "National and
14	Community Service Act of 1990", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 12501 ET SEQ.;
15	(d) Programs resulting from the federal "Ticket to Work and Work
16	Incentives Improvement Act of 1999", Pub.L. 106-170; and
17	(e) Other appropriate federal, state, or local programs, including
18	programs in the private sector.
19	(3) Functions of required partners. All required one-stop
20	partners shall perform the following functions:
21	(a) Make available to participants through the one-stop system the
22	core services that are required of and applicable to the partner's programs;
23	(b) Serve as representatives on the work force board;
24	(c) Use a portion of moneys, personnel, and other available
25	resources to create and maintain a one-stop system; except that, to the
26	extent such use would violate federal law or lead to a loss of federal
27	moneys, this paragraph (c) shall DOES not apply; and

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1	(d) Enter into a memorandum of understanding with the work
2	force board relating to the operation of the one-stop career center,
3	including a description of services, how the cost of the identified services
4	and operating costs of the system will be funded, and methods for
5	referrals of individuals.
6	(4) Functions of optional partners. (a) Optional one-stop
7	partners shall perform the following functions:
8	(I) Make available to participants through the one-stop system the
9	core services that are required of and applicable to the partner's programs;
10	(II) Participate in the operation of such one-stop system,
11	consistent with the terms of the memorandum of understanding approved
12	by the work force board and with the requirements of the federal act in
13	which the program is authorized, if the work force board and local elected
14	official approve such participation.
15	(b) If an optional partner is designated or certified pursuant to
16	subsection (1) of this section, its functions and responsibilities shall be
17	ARE the same as those of a required partner as set forth in subsection (3)
18	of this section.
19	8-83-217. [Formerly 8-71-217] Memorandum of
20	<b>understanding - one-stop operators.</b> (1) (a) The work force board, with
21	the agreement of the local elected officials, shall develop and enter into
22	a memorandum of understanding between the work force board and the
23	one-stop partners concerning the provision of services in the one-stop
24	system in the local area.
25	(b) Each memorandum of understanding shall MUST contain
26	provisions describing:

(I) The services to be provided through the one-stop system;

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1	(II) How the costs of such services and the operating costs of the
2	system will be funded;
3	(III) Methods for referral of individuals between the one-stop
4	operator and one-stop partners for the appropriate services and activities;
5	(IV) The duration of the memorandum of understanding and the
6	procedures for amending the memorandum of understanding during the
7	term of the memorandum of understanding; and
8	(V) Such other provisions, consistent with the federal act, as the
9	parties to the agreement determine to be appropriate.
10	(2) <b>One-stop operators.</b> (a) Consistent with the requirements of
11	the federal act for one-stop partners, the work force board, with the
12	agreement of the local elected official, is authorized to designate or
13	certify one-stop operators and to terminate for cause the eligibility of such
14	operators.
15	(b) To be eligible to receive moneys to operate a one-stop career
16	center, an entity, which may be a consortium of entities, shall MUST be
17	designated or certified as a one-stop operator by any of the following
18	three methods:
19	(I) If a one-stop system or work force investment program was
20	established in a local area prior to the effective date of the federal act
21	AUGUST 7, 1998, the work force board and local elected official for that
22	area may agree with each other and with the governor, on a case-by-case
23	basis, to designate or certify as a one-stop operator an entity carrying out
24	activities under such preexisting system or program, subject to the
25	requirements of section $8-71-216$ 8-83-216 and this section and of the
26	memorandum of understanding.
27	(II) An entity may be selected for designation or certification as

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1	a one-stop operator through a competitive process.
2	(III) An entity may be selected for designation or certification as
3	a one-stop operator in accordance with an agreement reached between the
4	work force board and a consortium of entities that, at a minimum,
5	includes three or more of the required one-stop partners described in
6	section 8-71-216 8-83-216 and may be a public or private entity, or
7	consortium of entities, of demonstrated effectiveness in the local area and
8	may include the following:
9	(A) A postsecondary educational institution;
10	(B) An employment service agency established under the federal
11	"Wagner-Peyser Act"; 29 U.S.C. sec. 49a et seq.;
12	(C) A private, nonprofit organization, which may include a
13	community-based organization;
14	(D) A private for-profit entity;
15	(E) A government agency; and
16	(F) Another interested organization or entity, which may include
17	a local chamber of commerce or other business organization.
18	(c) Elementary schools and secondary schools shall ARE not be
19	eligible for designation or certification as one-stop operators; except that
20	nontraditional public secondary schools and area vocational education
21	schools shall be eligible for such designation or certification.
22	<b>8-83-218.</b> [Formerly <b>8-71-218</b> ] Core services. (1) The work
23	FORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAM, AS IMPLEMENTED THROUGH ONE-STOP
24	CAREER CENTERS, SHALL PROVIDE a core set of services, as defined by the
25	federal act, shall be available to individuals who are adults or dislocated
26	workers, Such services shall be provided through the work force

investment program as implemented through one-stop career centers and

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1	shall include INCLUDING, at a minimum, the following:
2	(a) access for job seekers to a comprehensive array of services and
3	information, which may include:
4	(I) (a) Registration into the centralized computer system;
5	(II) (b) Career center operations;
6	(III) (c) Education and training program information;
7	(IV) (d) A multi-media resource library providing access to
8	internet-based services;
9	(V) (e) Labor market information;
10	(VI) (f) Skill assessment services that are designed to determine
11	each participant's employability, aptitudes, abilities, and interests, by
12	means of individual interviews whenever possible;
13	(VII) (g) Job referral and placement;
14	(VIII) (h) Self-help resume preparation resources;
15	(IX) (i) Referral services for community and social services,
16	including welfare-to-work programs, employment programs for persons
17	with disabilities, employment programs for older workers
18	community-based organizations, vocational rehabilitation, adult literacy
19	supportive services, and youth programs and services;
20	(X) (j) Veterans' benefits and services information, subject to the
21	availability of Wagner-Peyser funds and to the following:
22	(A) (I) Any one-stop career center receiving Wagner-Peyser funds
23	or housing Wagner-Peyser ACT staff shall provide veterans with priority
24	employment and training services in accordance with chapter 41 of title
25	38, U.S.C.;
26	(B) (II) In one-stop career centers that have been assigned
27	disabled veteran outreach program and local veteran employment

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1	representative positions, such positions shall MUST be held by state
2	employees and are in addition to, and shall DO not supplant,
3	Wagner-Peyser staff in providing priority employment and training
4	services; and
5	(C) (III) All one-stop career centers shall make the full array of
6	core services available to veterans in the following order of priority:
7	Disabled veterans, Vietnam-era veterans, veterans, and other eligible
8	persons.
9	(b) (2) Work force boards are encouraged to at a minimum,
10	consider and determine, AT A MINIMUM, the feasibility of providing access
11	for employers to a comprehensive array of services and information,
12	which may include:
13	(I) (a) Professional account representatives and management;
14	(II) (b) Assistance in individual and mass recruiting;
15	(III) (c) Referrals of skilled applicants;
16	(IV) (d) Labor market information;
17	(V) (e) Education and training program information;
18	(VI) (f) Access to internet-based services;
19	(VII) (g) Information and referral for community and social
20	services;
21	(VIII) (h) Layoff assistance; and
22	(IX) (i) Other employment-related services and information.
23	(2) (3) At the option of the local elected officials, other services
24	for job seekers and employers may be offered to meet the needs of a work
25	force investment area.
26	8-83-219. [Formerly 8-71-218.5] Intensive services - training
27	services - individual training accounts. (1) Access to intensive

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services, as specified in the federal act, shall MUST be available to individuals who are adults or dislocated workers who are unemployed, and are unable to obtain employment through core services, and who have been determined by a one-stop operator to be in need of more intensive services to obtain employment or who are employed but are determined by a one-stop operator to be in need of such services. Such services may include diagnostic testing, individual or group counseling and career planning, case management and follow-up services, and training services specified in subsection (2) of this section.

- (2) Access to training services, as specified in the federal act, shall be available to Participants who have met the eligibility requirements for intensive services, are unable to obtain or retain employment through such services, are determined by the one-stop operator to be in need of such services, and are eligible for such services as specified in the federal act MUST HAVE ACCESS TO TRAINING SERVICES, AS SPECIFIED IN THE FEDERAL ACT. Such training services include without limitation, occupational skills training, on-the-job training, and training programs operated by the private sector.
- (3) THE ONE-STOP SYSTEM SHALL PROVIDE training services authorized under this section shall be provided TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS through the use of individual training accounts, as specified in the federal act. and shall be provided to eligible individuals through the one-stop system. Exceptions to the use of individual training accounts, as set forth in the federal act, include customized training, training services not provided by a training provider within the work force area, or training services that are offered by community-based organizations or other private organizations that serve such special populations that face

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multiple barriers to employment.

**8-83-220.** [Formerly 8-71-218.7] Encouragement of nursing education programs - legislative declaration. (1) The consortium work force investment board shall encourage work force investment programs and work force investment areas to enroll individuals in educational programs related to practical nursing.

(2) The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that educating individuals eligible to receive moneys from welfare-to-work or temporary assistance to needy families will benefit such individuals. In addition, the general assembly finds, determines, and declares that Colorado is facing a shortage of licensed practical nurses and that encouraging individuals to follow such a career path further benefits Colorado and its residents.

**8-83-221. [Formerly 8-71-219] Title I appropriation** - **allocation.** As specified in section 191(a) of the federal act, Title I moneys received by the state under the federal act shall be ARE subject to appropriation by the general assembly, consistent with the terms and conditions required under the federal act. The local elected officials or their designee shall serve as the local grant recipient for the Title I moneys allocated to the work force investment area by the governor for the purposes of a work force investment area's administration and implementation of the work force investment program pursuant to the allocation formula described in section 8-71-221 8-83-223. The department shall contract directly with each local work force investment board. In order to assist in the administration of Title I moneys, the local elected officials may designate an entity to serve as a local grant sub-recipient for such moneys or as a local fiscal agent. Except when

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such THE designee is the department, such A designation shall DOES not relieve the local elected officials of the liability for any misuse of grant moneys.

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**8-83-222.** [Formerly 8-71-220] County block grants formula - use of moneys. Subject to available appropriations by the general assembly, the department shall allocate Title I moneys to each work force investment area for the operation of the work force investment program in that work force investment area.

8-83-223. [Formerly 8-71-221] Allocation process. Subject to federal law and available appropriations, within thirty days after receipt of the federal appropriation from the United States department of labor, the local elected officials from each work force investment area in the state shall develop an allocation formula for each work force investment area. Development of the allocation formula by the local elected officials shall be facilitated through a statewide association of county commissioners, referred to in this section as Colorado counties, incorporated, or CCI. CCI shall ensure that the local elected officials from each work force investment area have an opportunity to participate in the development and final approval of the recommendations for allocation formulas. The department and the state work force development council <del>created in section 24-46.3-101, C.R.S.,</del> shall provide technical assistance to CCI as requested in the development of recommended allocations. The local elected officials shall recommend the allocation formula to be applied and each allocation for adult, youth, and dislocated worker services under Title I. of the federal act. CCI shall forward the local elected officials' recommendations to the state council pursuant to section <del>8-71-222 (2) (f)</del> 8-83-224 (2) (f) for review and comment. The state

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council's comments, to the joint budget committee of the general assembly for review and comment before forwarding such recommendations to the governor for final determination. If the local elected officials cannot agree on an allocation, the local elected officials shall prepare alternatives and CCI shall submit the alternatives to the state council for review and comment and submission to the joint budget committee, which shall select one such alternative and forward it to the governor for final determination. The local elected officials and CCI shall develop their own operational procedures. Any moneys received by the state under Title I, of the federal act, together with any associated state full-time equivalent personnel positions, shall be ARE subject to appropriation by the general assembly.

8-83-224. [Formerly 8-71-222] State council - duties. (1) The state council shall function as, and is intended to meet the requirements for, the state work force investment board referred to in the federal act. In addition to performing the functions set forth in subsection (2) of this section, the state council shall serve in an advisory role to the governor for those areas specified by the federal act and shall serve as a conduit for information to local work force investment areas, including facilitation of grant applications and assistance to work force investment areas to enable work force investment areas to successfully implement programs under the federal act.

- (2) The state council shall assist the governor in the following:
- (a) Development of the comprehensive five-year state plan as specified in section 8-71-209 8-83-209;
  - (b) Development and continuous improvement of a statewide

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1	system of activities that are funded pursuant to the federal act or carried
2	out through a one-stop system as set forth in this part 2 that receives Title
3	I moneys. under the federal act. Such improvement shall include the
4	development of linkages in order to ensure coordination and prevent
5	duplication among the programs and activities authorized in this part 2.
6	(c) Review of local plans submitted by the designated work force
7	investment boards and consortium work force investment board;
8	(d) Designation of local work force investment areas;
9	(e) Commenting at least once annually on the measures taken
10	pursuant to the federal "Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied
11	Technology Education Act", 20 U.S.C. sec. 2301 et seq.;
12	(f) Review and comment on, and submission to the joint budget
13	committee for review and comment on, allocation formulas for the
14	distribution of Title I moneys for adult employment and training activities
15	and youth activities to work force investment areas in accordance with the
16	process established in section <del>8-71-221</del> 8-83-223;
17	(g) Preparation of the annual report to the secretary of the United
18	States department of labor;
19	(h) Development of the statewide employment statistics system
20	described in the "Wagner-Peyser Act";
21	(i) Development of an application for an incentive grant
22	authorized pursuant to the federal act; and
23	(j) Any other functions as requested by the governor.
24	8-83-225. [Formerly 8-71-223] Colorado department of labor
25	and employment - functions. (1) The department shall serve as the
26	administrative entity for Title I moneys received pursuant to the federal
27	act. The department shall also be IS responsible for:

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1	(a) Administering the statewide labor market information and
2	fiscal systems to the extent such systems pertain to activities under the
3	federal act;
4	(b) Assisting in the establishment and operation of one-stop career
5	centers as requested by a local work force area;
6	(c) Disseminating lists of eligible training providers;
7	(d) Contracting and administering Title I moneys appropriated by
8	the general assembly in accordance with the federal act;
9	(e) With input from the applicable work force investment areas,
10	continuing the centralized computer system that links work force
11	investment programs Such system shall continue to include AND
12	INCLUDES training and technical support. A description of the state
13	centralized system and procedures for developing, maintaining, and
14	training shall MUST be included in the state plan required in section
15	<del>8-71-209</del> 8-83-209.
16	(f) Providing staff development and training services and
17	technical assistance to local work force investment areas.
18	(2) The department shall provide ongoing consultation and
19	technical assistance to each work force investment area for the operation
20	of work force investment programs.
21	(3) The department shall encourage work force investment areas
22	to inform individuals of the career possibilities in the field of nursing and
23	the availability of practical nursing education programs.
24	8-83-226. [Formerly 8-71-224] Responsibilities of governor.
25	(1) The governor shall perform the following functions, as specified in
26	the federal act:
27	(a) Appoint members to the state council in accordance with

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1	section 24-40.5-101 (2), C.R.S.;
2	(b) Establish criteria for local elected officials to use in appointing
3	members of local work force investment boards;
4	(c) Designate federal work force investment areas in consultation
5	with the local elected officials, including local work force investment
6	areas requesting to be a part of the federal work force investment area
7	comprising a consortium of work force areas;
8	(d) Designate, modify, and terminate work force investment areas
9	in the state, including temporary designation, and establish an appeal
10	process for review of such decisions;
11	(e) Certify designated work force investment boards and the
12	consortium work force investment board;
13	(f) Negotiate with the federal department of labor concerning the
14	contents of the state plan; and
15	(g) Carry out such other duties and functions as may be required
16	under the federal act.
17	SECTION 7. Repeal of relocated provisions in this act. In
18	Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 8-71-106 and part 2 of article 71 of
19	title 8.
20	<b>SECTION 8.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, <b>repeal</b> 8-71-104.
21	<b>SECTION 9.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-1-146, <b>amend</b> (2)
22	as follows:
23	8-1-146. Effect of transfer of powers, duties, and functions.
24	(2) The division of labor, the division of employment and training, THE
25	DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, the state board of pharmacy,
26	and the industrial claim appeals panel in the industrial claim appeals
27	office, which perform any of the powers, duties, and functions performed

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1	by the industrial commission prior to its abolishment on July 1, 1986,
2	shall be ARE the successors in every way with respect to such THOSE
3	powers, duties, and functions, except as otherwise provided in this article
4	or by law. Every act performed in the exercise of such THOSE powers,
5	duties, and functions shall be deemed to have HAS the same force and
6	effect as if performed by the commission prior to July 1, 1986. Whenever
7	the commission is referred to or designated by any law, contract,
8	insurance policy, bond, or other document, such THE reference or
9	designation shall be deemed to apply APPLIES to the division of labor, the
10	division of employment and training, THE DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT
11	INSURANCE, the state board of pharmacy, or the industrial claim appeals
12	panel in the industrial claim appeals office, as the case may be.
13	SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 8-1-147 and
14	8-1-149.
15	SECTION 11. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-2-119, amend (2)
16	and (3) as follows:

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8-2-119. Awards of back pay - deduction of unemployment **compensation.** (2) The person ordering <del>any such</del> AN award of back pay shall within five days after the date of the order, notify the director of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE of such THE award WITHIN FIVE DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE ORDER.

(3) If, during the period for which back pay is awarded, the recipient of the award has been receiving unemployment benefits pursuant to the provisions of articles 70 to 82 of this title, the ENTITY ORDERING THE AWARD SHALL REDUCE THE amount of the award shall be reduced by the amount of such benefits THE PERSON RECEIVED, and THE EMPLOYER shall be withheld WITHHOLD THAT AMOUNT from the award.

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1	by the employer. The amounts EMPLOYER SHALL REMIT THE AMOUNT
2	withheld by the employer shall be remitted FROM THE BACK PAY AWARD
3	to the division of employment UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, and credited
4	THE DIVISION SHALL CREDIT THE AMOUNT to the unemployment
5	compensation fund. The employer shall make such remittance REMIT THE
6	WITHHELD AMOUNT within ten days after the award of back pay becomes
7	final.
8	SECTION 12. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-47-111, amend
9	(2) as follows:
10	8-47-111. Division efforts to ensure employer compliance with
11	workers' compensation coverage requirements - legislative
12	<b>declaration.</b> (2) In order to implement the declaration in subsection (1)
13	of this section, the division shall develop a procedure for verifying
14	whether or not all employers doing business in the state of Colorado
15	comply with the requirements of article 44 of this title. This procedure
16	shall MUST include but is not limited to, cross-referencing employer
17	records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT
18	INSURANCE and the division of workers' compensation. Upon identifying
19	employers that are not in compliance with article 44 of this title, the
20	division, with the assistance and cooperation of the attorney general, shall
21	use all available means under articles 40 to 47 of this title to ensure
22	compliance. Every insurance carrier authorized to transact business in this
23	state, including Pinnacol Assurance, which insures employers against
24	liability for compensation under the provisions of articles 40 to 47 of this
25	title, shall furnish the division, upon request, all information required by
26	it to accomplish the purposes of this section.
27	SECTION 13. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-72-114, amend

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1	(2) (c); and <b>repeal</b> (2) (d) as follows:
2	8-72-114. Employee misclassification - investigations -
3	enforcement - advisory opinions - rules - employee misclassification
4	advisory opinion fund - statewide study - report - definitions -
5	<b>legislative declaration - repeal.</b> (2) As used in this section:
6	(c) "Director" means the director of the division. of employment
7	and training in the department of labor and employment.
8	(d) "Division" means the division of employment and training in
9	the department of labor and employment.
10	SECTION 14. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-75-202, amend
11	(2) as follows:
12	<b>8-75-202. Definitions.</b> As used in this part 2, unless the context
13	otherwise requires:
14	(2) "Director" means the director of the division of employment
15	and training in the department of labor and employment or his or her
16	designee.
17	SECTION 15. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-76-103, amend
18	(3) (a) (III) (F) and (3) (b) (V) as follows:
19	8-76-103. Future rates based on benefit experience -
20	definitions - repeal. (3) (a) (III) (F) On and after January 1, 2002, for
21	purposes of this subsection (3), assignment by the division of employment
22	and training of SHALL ASSIGN industrial classifications to employers
23	pursuant to sub-subparagraph (E) of this subparagraph (III) shall be in
24	accordance with procedures and guidelines of the bureau of labor
25	statistics of the United States department of labor and shall be to the
26	appropriate three-digit subsector level found in the North American
27	industry classification system manual issued by the office of management

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1	and budget.
2	(b) (V) When the fund level on July 1 of any year reaches one and
3	six-tenths percent of the total wages, the director of the division of
4	employment and training shall recommend to legislative council a
5	proposed premium rate decrease.
6	SECTION 16. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-77-101, amend
7	(1) (a) as follows:
8	8-77-101. Unemployment compensation fund - state treasurer
9	custodian. (1) (a) There is hereby established the unemployment
10	compensation fund, which shall be IS a special fund administered by the
11	division of employment and training exclusively for the purposes of
12	articles 70 to 82 of this title. The state treasurer shall be IS THE custodian
13	of said THE fund and shall be IS liable under his OR HER official bond for
14	the faithful performance of all his OR HER duties in connection therewith.
15	He WITH THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER shall establish and maintain
16	within the fund the accounts specified in this article and such other
17	accounts as may be necessary to reflect the administration of the fund by
18	the division.
19	SECTION 17. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-77-103, amend
20	(1) as follows:
21	8-77-103. Advances from federal unemployment trust fund.
22	(1) The division of employment and training is authorized to MAY apply
23	for advances to the state of Colorado from its account in the federal
24	unemployment trust fund and to accept responsibility for repayment of
25	such advances in accordance with the conditions specified in Title XII of
26	the "Social Security Act", as amended, in order to secure to this state the
27	advantages available under the provisions of said title FEDERAL ACT.

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1	<b>SECTION 18.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-77-109, amend
2	(2) (a) introductory portion and (2) (a) (I) as follows:
3	8-77-109. Employment support fund - employment and
4	training technology fund - created - uses - repeal. (2) (a) THE STATE
5	TREASURER SHALL CREDIT THE moneys collected pursuant to this section
6	shall be credited by the state treasurer to the employment support fund
7	created in subsection (1) of this section. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL
8	APPROPRIATE THE moneys in the employment support fund shall be
9	annually appropriated by the general assembly to the department of labor
10	and employment:
11	(I) To be used to offset funding deficits for program
12	administration, including information technology initiatives, under the
13	provisions of articles 70 to 82 83 of this title and to further support
14	programs to strengthen unemployment fund solvency; and
15	SECTION 19. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 8-82-103 as
16	follows:
17	8-82-103. Purchase and leasehold by division - terms. The
18	division DIVISIONS of employment and training is authorized to AND
19	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MAY enter into rental or leasehold
20	agreements with such A nonprofit corporation or authority Such CREATED
21	PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-82-101. THE agreements shall MUST provide that
22	the PARTICULAR division acquire title to such THE land or buildings, or
23	both, upon the payment of stipulated aggregate annual rentals. The plans,
24	specifications, bids, and contracts for such THE buildings and the terms
25	of all such leasehold or rental agreements shall be ARE NOT VALID UNTIL
26	approved by the governor, the director of the division of employment and
27	training OR THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT

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INSURANCE, AS APPROPRIATE, and the director of the office of state
planning and budgeting. Said THE rentals shall MUST be paid solely out
of the employment security administration fund, the unemployment
revenue fund, or both, or the funds of any other state agency in case IF any
part of the buildings shall be ARE made available thereto, and TO OTHER
STATE AGENCIES. The obligation to pay such the rentals shall does not
constitute an indebtedness of the state or AND MUST NOT be paid out of
any other funds. Such THE DIVISION THAT ENTERS AN AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE THE rental shall be included
in the ITS annual budgets of the division and shall be certified, audited,
and paid CERTIFY, AUDIT, AND PAY THE RENTALS in the same manner as
all other accounts and expenditures payable out of said THOSE funds.
SECTION 20. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 20-1-307 as
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<b>20-1-307. Social security coverage.</b> The office of district attorney, including the district attorney and the employees of each such office within each judicial district, shall be considered IS a juristic entity as described in section 24-53-101, C.R.S. Each office of district attorney
<b>20-1-307. Social security coverage.</b> The office of district attorney, including the district attorney and the employees of each such office within each judicial district, shall be considered is a juristic entity as described in section 24-53-101, C.R.S. Each office of district attorney shall enter into an agreement with the director of the division of
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20-1-307. Social security coverage. The office of district attorney, including the district attorney and the employees of each such office within each judicial district, shall be considered is a juristic entity as described in section 24-53-101, C.R.S. Each office of district attorney shall enter into an agreement with the director of the division of employment and training of UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IN the department of labor and employment for the purpose of including the district attorney and the employees of his THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S office under the state's federal-state social security coverage agreement

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(2) (i) (XI) and (2) (i) (XII) as follows:

	22-2-124. Family literacy education grant program - rules.
2	(2) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
3	(i) "Local education provider" means an institution or organization
4	which may be any of the following:
5	(XI) A work force board, as defined in section $8-71-203$ 8-83-203,
6	C.R.S., that oversees a work force investment program described in the
7	"Colorado Work Force Investment Act", part 2 of article 71 83 of title 8,
8	C.R.S.;
9	(XII) A one-stop partner, as described in section 8-71-216
10	8-83-216, C.R.S., under the "Colorado Work Force Investment Act", part
11	2 of article <del>71</del> 83 of title 8, C.R.S.;
12	SECTION 22. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-30-202.4,
13	<b>amend</b> (3.5) (a) (I) introductory portion, (3.5) (a) (I) (E), and (3.5) (a)
14	(VI) as follows:
15	24-30-202.4. Collection of debts due the state - controller's
16	duties - creation of debt collection fund - definitions. $(3.5)$ $(a)$ $(I)$ The
16 17	<b>duties - creation of debt collection fund - definitions.</b> (3.5) (a) (I) The controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's
17	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's
17 18	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section
17 18 19	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or
17 18 19 20	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or debt owing to state agency claimants for any of the following, the
17 18 19 20 21	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or debt owing to state agency claimants for any of the following, the controller, upon notice of withholding to the payee, shall withhold the
17 18 19 20 21 22	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or debt owing to state agency claimants for any of the following, the controller, upon notice of withholding to the payee, shall withhold the amount of the disbursement that does not exceed the amount of such THE
17 18 19 20 21 22 23	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or debt owing to state agency claimants for any of the following, the controller, upon notice of withholding to the payee, shall withhold the amount of the disbursement that does not exceed the amount of such THE unpaid balance or debt:
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	controller shall approve disbursements from state funds from the state's central accounting system in accordance with the provisions of section 24-30-202 (2). If the controller finds that there is an unpaid balance or debt owing to state agency claimants for any of the following, the controller, upon notice of withholding to the payee, shall withhold the amount of the disbursement that does not exceed the amount of such THE unpaid balance or debt:  (E) Any amount required to be paid to the unemployment

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1 judgment by the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT 2 INSURANCE in the department of labor and employment; and such amount 3 has been referred to the controller for collection pursuant to section 4 8-79-102 (2), C.R.S. 5 (VI) THE CONTROLLER SHALL DEPOSIT WITH THE STATE 6 TREASURER any moneys withheld for payment of unemployment 7 compensation debt pursuant to subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (a), 8 shall be deposited with the state treasurer and credited THE STATE 9 TREASURER SHALL CREDIT THE MONEYS to the unemployment 10 compensation fund. For all names and amounts certified by the division 11 of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE pursuant to 12 section 8-79-102 (2), C.R.S., the controller shall provide to said THE 13 division the payees' names and associated amounts deposited with the 14 state treasurer pursuant to this subparagraph (VI). 15 **SECTION 23.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-402, amend 16 (2) as follows: 17 24-34-402. Discriminatory or unfair employment practices. 18 (2) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, it is 19 not a discriminatory or an unfair employment practice for the division of 20 employment and training of UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IN the 21 department of labor and employment to ascertain and record the 22 disability, sex, age, race, creed, color, or national origin of any individual 23 for the purpose of making such reports as may be required by law to 24 agencies of the federal or state government only. Said THE DIVISION MAY 25 MAKE AND KEEP THE records may be made and kept in the manner 26 required by the federal or state law, but no such NEITHER THE DIVISION 27 NOT THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT SHALL DIVULGE THE

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1	information shall be divulged by said division or department to
2	prospective employers as a basis for employment, except as provided in
3	this subsection (2).
4	SECTION 24. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-46.3-101,
5	amend (2) introductory portion and (2) (c) (I) as follows:
6	24-46.3-101. State work force development council - creation
7	- membership. (2) Membership of the state council shall MUST include:
8	(c) Representatives of business in the state, appointed by the
9	governor, who are:
10	(I) Owners of businesses, chief executives or operating officers
11	of businesses, and other business executives or employers with optimum
12	policy-making or hiring authority, including members of local work force
13	investment boards as specified in part 2 of article 71 83 of title 8, C.R.S.;
14	SECTION 25. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-4-205, amend
15	(3) (b) (I) (A), (3) (b) (I) (B), and (3) (b) (I.5) (A) as follows:
16	25.5-4-205. Application - verification of eligibility -
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1 /	<b>demonstration project - rules.</b> (3) (b) (I) The state department shall
18	<b>demonstration project - rules.</b> (3) (b) (I) The state department shall promulgate rules that:
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of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE or the income, 1 2 eligibility, and verification system; and 3 (B) Provide for administrative verification at reenrollment so that 4 REQUIRE the state department shall at least annually TO verify a recipient's 5 income eligibility AT REENROLLMENT through the records of the division 6 of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in the 7 department of labor and employment or through the income, eligibility, 8 and verification system and, that, if the recipient meets all eligibility 9 requirements, PERMIT the recipient shall TO remain enrolled in the 10 program. The rules shall also provide that ALLOW a recipient may TO 11 supply income information more recent than the information supplied by 12 the records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT 13 INSURANCE or the income, eligibility, and verification system. 14 (I.5) (A) If it is determined THE STATE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES 15 that a recipient was not eligible for medical benefits solely based upon the 16 recipient's income after the recipient had been determined to be eligible 17 based upon the records of the division of employment and training 18 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE or the income, eligibility, and verification 19 system, the state department shall not pursue recovery from a county 20 department for the cost of medical services provided to the recipient, and 21 the county department shall is not be responsible for any federal error rate 22 sanctions resulting from such determination. 23 **SECTION 26.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-8-109, amend 24 (4.5) (a) (I), (4.5) (a) (II), and (4.5) (a) (III) as follows: 25 25.5-8-109. Eligibility - children - pregnant women. 26 (4.5) (a) (I) To the extent authorized by federal law, the department shall

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SHALL NOTIFY THE APPLICANT that the applicant's family income shall WILL be verified by the department through the most recently available records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in the department of labor and employment or through the income, eligibility, and verification system. The department shall allow an applicant to provide income information more recent than the records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE or the income, eligibility, and verification system.

(II) The department shall provide for administrative verification at reenrollment so that the department shall annually verify the recipient's income eligibility AT REENROLLMENT through the records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in the department of labor and employment or through the income, eligibility, and verification system. If a recipient meets all eligibility requirements, a recipient shall remain REMAINS enrolled in the plan. The department shall also provide that ALLOW a recipient may TO provide income information more recent than the records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE or the income, eligibility, and verification system.

(III) If it is determined THE STATE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES that a recipient was not eligible for medical benefits solely based upon the recipient's income after the recipient had been determined to be eligible based upon the records of the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE or the income, eligibility, and verification system, the state department shall not pursue recovery from a county department for the cost of medical services provided to the recipient, and the county department shall is not be responsible for any federal error rate

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1	sanctions resulting from such determination.
2	SECTION 27. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-2-107, amend
3	(1) (a) (I) introductory portion and (1) (a) (I) (A) as follows:
4	<b>26-2-107.</b> Verification - record. (1) (a) (I) Whenever a county
5	department receives an application for public assistance, it shall promptly
6	make a record concerning the circumstances of the applicant to verify the
7	facts supporting the application and shall examine all pertinent records
8	and shall make a diligent effort to examine all records prior to granting
9	assistance. Such THE records shall include but shall not be limited to, the
10	following:
11	(A) Records of the division of employment and training
12	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, including unemployment compensation
13	records;
14	SECTION 28. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 28-5-703, amend
15	(4) (b) as follows:
16	<b>28-5-703.</b> Rules - duties. (4) The board shall serve in an advisory
17	capacity to:
18	(b) The division of employment and training in the department of
19	labor and employment regarding the provision of services to state
20	veterans pursuant to the "Colorado Work Force Investment Act", part 2
21	of article <del>71</del> 83 of title 8, C.R.S.;
22	SECTION 29. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 29-4-710.7, amend
23	(1) introductory portion, (1) (a), (1) (b) (I), (1) (b) (II), (1) (b) (III), (2)
24	introductory portion, (2) (a), and (2) (d) as follows:
25	29-4-710.7. Powers of the board - issuance of bonds to
26	maintain balances in the unemployment compensation fund.
27	(1) Upon receiving the certifications specified in subsection (2) of this

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section, the authority, in addition to the other powers granted by this part 7, shall have HAS the following powers:

- (a) To issue from time to time its bonds and notes as provided in this part 7 to provide sufficient funds to maintain adequate balances in the unemployment compensation fund; to repay amounts advanced to the state pursuant to 42 U.S.C. sec. 1321; to pay the principal of, and interest and premium, if any, on, the bonds and notes, the costs of bond issuance and administration, and any other related fees and costs of the authority or the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE; to establish reserves for any or all of the foregoing and to make deposits into the unemployment compensation fund and otherwise apply the proceeds of the bonds and notes for any or all of the foregoing purposes SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH (a);
  - (b) To levy certain bond assessments as follows:
- (I) All bonds and notes issued pursuant to this section shall be ARE limited obligations of the authority, payable solely from revenues generated through the levy by the authority of a bond assessment against each employer, as defined in section 8-70-113, C.R.S., subject to experience rating under articles 70 to 82 of title 8, C.R.S., in an aggregate amount sufficient to satisfy subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (b). The division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE shall collect and administer the bond assessment on behalf of the authority in substantially the same manner as other employer premiums and surcharges required pursuant to the provisions of articles 70 to 82 of title 8, C.R.S. Subject to the provisions of articles 70 to 82 of title 8, C.R.S., the assessment shall DOES not apply to the covered employers of state and local government, to those nonprofit organizations that are reimbursable

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employers, or to political subdivisions electing the special rate.

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(II) The levy shall MUST be at a rate or rates which THAT, when applied against the taxable wages of those employers subject to the bond assessment, will produce an amount sufficient to pay all costs associated with or otherwise relating to bonds and notes issued pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, including without limitation the principal of, and interest and premium, if any, on, the bonds and notes, the costs of bond issuance and administration, other related fees and costs of the authority or the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, and reserves therefor.

(III) All bond assessments described in this paragraph (b) shall MUST be submitted in the same manner as the employer's normal premiums and surcharges paid pursuant to the provisions of articles 70 to 82 of title 8, C.R.S., shall be ARE a lien upon the real and personal property of any such employer in the manner and to the extent set forth in section 8-79-103, C.R.S., shall MUST be segregated by the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in a special account under the control of the division, and shall MUST, after offsetting the division's costs for collecting and administering the bond assessments, be used only for transfer from time to time to one or more special accounts created by and under the control of the authority. THE AUTHORITY SHALL USE all moneys accruing in any such special account shall be used by the authority only to pay the costs described in subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (b), and THE AUTHORITY SHALL TRANSFER any moneys remaining in such account and not required to pay such costs shall be transferred by the authority to the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE for deposit in the

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unemployment compensation fund.

- (2) The authority may SHALL not issue its bonds and notes pursuant to subsection (1) of this section until the monthly balance in the unemployment compensation fund is equal to or less than nine-tenths of one percent of the total wages reported by ratable employers for the calendar year, or the most recent available four consecutive quarters prior to the last computation date and the governor, the state treasurer, and the executive director of the department of labor and employment have each certified in writing to the authority:
- (a) That other funding alternatives to the issuance of bonds and notes by the authority pursuant to subsection (1) of this section have been considered and that the issuance of such bonds and notes is the most cost-effective means for the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE to maintain adequate balances in the unemployment compensation fund or to repay moneys advanced to the state pursuant to 42 U.S.C. sec. 1321;
- (d) The bond assessment rate or rates, or a formula or other procedure for determining such rate or rates, which THAT will produce an amount sufficient, together with any other moneys available or expected to be available, to pay all costs associated with or otherwise relating to bonds and notes issued pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, including without limitation, the principal of, and interest and premium, if any, on, the bonds and notes, the costs of bond issuance and administration, and any other related fees and costs of the authority or the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, and reserves therefor.

**SECTION 30.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-17-103, amend

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(3) as follows:

30-17-103. Standards and guidelines. (3) The board of county commissioners, in the standards and guidelines adopted pursuant to this article, may require that any applicant for temporary general assistance shall search for employment and accept employment that is offered and shall also enroll with the division DIVISIONS of employment and training AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in order to be eligible to receive temporary general assistance. Such THE requirements, however, shall DO not apply to an applicant who is unable to work due to a temporary disability. The board may require that such VERIFICATION OF A disability be verified by a medical examination. Such THE requirements for TO search for employment shall DO not apply to persons who are sixty-five years of age and older.

**SECTION 31.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-21-108, **amend** (3) (a) (I) (A) as follows:

39-21-108. Refunds. (3) (a) (I) (A) Whenever it is established that any taxpayer has, for any period open under the statutes, overpaid a tax covered by articles 22 and 26 to 29 of this title, article 60 of title 34, C.R.S., and article 3 of title 42, C.R.S., and that: There is an unpaid balance of tax and interest accrued, according to the records of the executive director, owing by such taxpayer for any other period; or that there is an amount required to be repaid to the unemployment compensation fund pursuant to section 8-81-101 (4), C.R.S., the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency determination or judicial decision or which THAT has been reduced to judgment by the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE in the department of labor and employment; or that there is

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any unpaid child support debt as set forth in section 14-14-104, C.R.S., or child support arrearages that are the subject of enforcement services provided pursuant to section 26-13-106, C.R.S., as certified by the department of human services; or that there are any unpaid obligations owing to the state as set forth in section 26-2-133, C.R.S., for overpayment of public assistance or medical assistance benefits, the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of final agency determination or judicial decision or which THAT has been reduced to judgment, as certified by the department of human services; or that there is any unpaid loan or other obligation due to a state-supported institution of higher education as set forth in section 23-5-115, C.R.S., the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency determination or judicial decision or which THAT has been reduced to judgment, as certified by the appropriate institution; or that there is any unpaid loan due to the student loan division of the department of higher education as set forth in section 23-3.1-104 (1) (p), C.R.S., the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency determination or judicial decision or which THAT has been reduced to judgment, as certified by the division; or there is any unpaid loan due to the collegeinvest division of the department of higher education as set forth in section 23-3.1-206, C.R.S., the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency determination or judicial decision or which THAT has been reduced to judgment; or that there is any outstanding judicial fine, fee, cost, or surcharge as set forth in section 16-11-101.8, C.R.S., or judicial restitution as set forth in section 16-18.5-106.8, C.R.S., the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final judicial

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department determination or certified by the judicial department as a judgment owed the state or a victim; or that there is any unpaid debt owing to the state or any agency thereof by such taxpayer, and which THAT is found to be owing as a result of a final agency determination or the amount of which has been reduced to judgment and as certified by the controller; or that the taxpayer is a qualified individual identified pursuant to section 39-22-120 (10) or 39-22-2003 (9), so much of the overpayment of tax plus interest allowable thereon as does not exceed the amount of such unpaid balance or unpaid debt shall MUST be credited first to the unpaid balance of tax and interest accrued and then to the unpaid debt, and any excess of the overpayment shall MUST be refunded. If the taxpayer elects to designate his or her refund as a credit against a subsequent year's tax liability, the amount allowed to be so credited shall MUST be reduced first by the unpaid balance of tax and interest accrued and then by the unpaid debt. If the taxpayer filed a joint return, the executive director shall notify the taxpayer's spouse that the portion of the overpayment that is generated by the spouse's income shall WILL be refunded upon receipt of a request detailing said amount. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "agency" includes state-supported institutions of higher education.

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**SECTION 32.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-21-113, **amend** (8) as follows:

**39-21-113. Reports and returns - repeal.** (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the executive director of the department of revenue may provide the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE with any information obtained pursuant to this section and, in connection therewith, may enter into an agreement

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with the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE providing for payment of the costs incurred in connection with supplying the information and providing for periodic updating of the information supplied. Information thus supplied to the division of employment and training shall be UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IS subject to the rules of confidentiality set forth in section 8-72-107 (1), C.R.S., to the same extent as information supplied by employers to the division of employment and training UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

SECTION 33. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 7, 2012, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2012); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2012 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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