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#### HOUSE BILL 13-1235

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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103 CONTRACTS RELATED TO SUCH REAL PROPERTY.

### **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.)

**Capital Development Committee.** The bill makes clarifications to existing law regarding appraisal requirements for contracts to purchase and options to purchase real property.

Specifically, the bill requires a contract to purchase real property

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to contain an appraisal clause that allows the state to secure an appraisal of the subject real property or interest therein by an appraiser licensed in the state to substantiate the purchase price and that makes the purchase contingent on the approval of the contract by the state controller.

The bill then specifies that when the state department, institution, or agency entering into the contract receives the appraisal and the contract is finalized, the state department, institution, or agency is required to provide a copy of the final purchase contract to the controller for approval.

If a state department, institution, or agency enters into an option to purchase real property, the same appraisal contingency must occur when the state department, institution, or agency chooses to exercise its option to purchase and enters into a contract to purchase such real property or interest therein.

The bill also requires a state department, institution, or agency to obtain a written broker opinion of value on the subject property in order to complete a thorough analysis of the property or interests therein being considered. The bill requires the broker opinion of value to be completed by a broker licensed in the state of Colorado and be forwarded to the controller prior to the controller approving the option to purchase contract.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-30-202, amend 3 (5) (b); and **add** (5) (c) as follows: 4 24-30-202. Procedures - vouchers and warrants - rules -5 penalties. (5) (b) Before any state department, institution, or agency 6 enters into any option or agreement to purchase any real property or any 7 interest therein that has a total purchase price of more than one hundred 8 thousand dollars, such department, institution, or agency shall contract 9 with at least one but not more than three independent appraisers for an 10 estimate of the value of such property. Such appraiser shall be qualified 11 with respect to the subject matter of the appraisal and shall be instructed to determine the fair market value of the real property by using sound, 12 13 fair, and recognized appraisal practices which are consistent with the laws

1 of Colorado. One copy of each such appraisal shall be attached to the 2 option or contract for said purchase prior to the controller's approving the 3 option or contract. IF A STATE DEPARTMENT, INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY 4 ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY OR ANY 5 INTEREST THEREIN THAT HAS A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF MORE THAN 6 ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE CONTRACT MUST CONTAIN A 7 CONTINGENCY CLAUSE THAT REQUIRES THE STATE TO SECURE AN 8 APPRAISAL OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY OR INTEREST THEREIN PRIOR 9 TO CLOSING BY AN INDEPENDENT APPRAISER LICENSED IN THE STATE OF 10 COLORADO TO SUBSTANTIATE THE PURCHASE PRICE AND THAT MAKES THE 11 CLOSING OF THE PURCHASE CONTINGENT ON THE APPROVAL OF THE 12 CONTRACT BY THE STATE CONTROLLER. WHEN THE STATE DEPARTMENT, 13 INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY ENTERING INTO THE CONTRACT RECEIVES THE 14 APPRAISAL, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY SHALL 15 PROVIDE A COPY OF THE APPRAISAL TO THE STATE CONTROLLER. This 16 paragraph (b) shall not apply to the acquisition of property by the 17 department of transportation for the construction, maintenance, or 18 supervision of the public highways of this state, nor shall it apply to any 19 additional lease-purchase agreement entered into pursuant to the master 20 lease program authorized by part 7 of article 82 of this title.

(c) (I) IF A STATE DEPARTMENT, INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY ENTERS
INTO AN OPTION TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN
THAT HAS A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED
THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE APPRAISAL REQUIREMENT DESCRIBED IN
PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (5) MUST OCCUR PRIOR TO CLOSING
ON THE PURCHASE OF THE REAL PROPERTY OR INTEREST THEREIN.

27 (II) PRIOR TO A STATE DEPARTMENT, INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY

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1 ENTERING INTO AN OPTION TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY OR ANY 2 INTEREST THEREIN THAT HAS A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF MORE THAN 3 ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, 4 INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY SHALL OBTAIN A WRITTEN BROKER OPINION OF 5 VALUE COMPLETED BY AN INDEPENDENT BROKER LICENSED IN THE STATE 6 OF COLORADO OR AN APPRAISAL BY AN <u>INDEPENDENT</u> APPRAISER 7 LICENSED IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IN 8 ORDER TO COMPLETE A THOROUGH ANALYSIS OF THE PROPERTY OR 9 INTERESTS THEREIN BEING CONSIDERED. THE OPINION OF VALUE OR THE 10 APPRAISAL MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE STATE CONTROLLER PRIOR TO 11 THE STATE CONTROLLER APPROVING THE OPTION TO PURCHASE CONTRACT. 12 **SECTION 2.** Applicability. This act applies to all contracts to 13 purchase real property or any interest therein and all options to purchase 14 real property or any interest therein, entered into by a state department, 15 institution, or agency on or after the effective date of this act. 16 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, 17 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate

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