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STATE OF COLORADO**

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LLS NO. 13-0467.01 Jerry Barry x4341

HOUSE BILL 13-1065

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Stephens,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

House Committees

Public Health Care & Human Services

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF PROFESSIONAL PERSONS UNDER THE**
102 **MENTAL HEALTH STATUTES.**

Bill Summary

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

The bill amends the definition of "professional person", for purposes of providing care and treatment to persons with a mental illness, to include a person licensed in another state who is providing medical or clinical services at a treatment facility in Colorado that is operated by the United States.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 27-65-102, **amend**
3 (17) as follows:

4 **27-65-102. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context
5 otherwise requires:

6 (17) "Professional person" means a person licensed to practice
7 medicine in this state, ~~or~~ a psychologist certified to practice in this state,
8 OR A PERSON LICENSED IN ANOTHER STATE WHO IS PROVIDING MEDICAL OR
9 CLINICAL SERVICES AT A TREATMENT FACILITY IN THIS STATE THAT IS
10 OPERATED BY THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED
11 STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, OR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
12 VETERANS AFFAIRS.

13 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
14 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
15 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.