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HOUSE BILL 15-1164

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE POSTPONEMENT OF JURY SERVICE FOR A PERSON WHO IS BREAST-FEEDING A CHILD.

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 permits a person who is breast-feeding a child to be temporarily excused from jury service for up to 2 years. The judge or jury commission may require documentation in support of the postponement.

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

SENATE 3rd Reading Unamended March 24, 2015

SENATE Amended 2nd Reading March 23, 2015

HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended February 25, 2015

HOUSE 2nd Reading Unamended February 24, 2015

1	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-71-119.5, <u>amend</u>
2	(2) (e); and add (2.5) as follows:
3	13-71-119.5. Persons entitled to be excused from jury service.
4	(2) (e) A person who requests to be excused under the provisions of this
5	subsection (2) may provide the judge or jury commissioner
6	documentation that supports the request to be excused, including but not
7	limited to medical statements, from licensed physicians, proof of
8	dependency or guardianship, or other similar documents. The judge or
9	jury commissioner may excuse a person if the documentation clearly
10	supports the request to be excused. The documents comprising the
11	documentation described in this subsection (2) shall not be deemed public
12	records and shall not be disclosed to the public.
13	(2.5) A PERSON WHO IS BREAST-FEEDING A CHILD AND IS
14	TEMPORARILY UNABLE TO OR CHOOSES NOT TO LEAVE THE CHILD IN ORDER
15	TO SERVE ON A JURY MUST BE EXCUSED TEMPORARILY FROM SERVICE AS
16	A JUROR FOR UP TO TWO CONSECUTIVE TWELVE-MONTH POSTPONEMENTS.
17	THE JUDGE OR JURY COMMISSIONER MAY REQUEST A MEDICAL
18	STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE POSTPONEMENT. A MEDICAL
19	STATEMENT PROVIDED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (2.5) IS NOT A
20	PUBLIC RECORD AND MUST NOT BE DISCLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.
21	SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
22	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
23	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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