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Seventieth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

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on Second Reading in the Second House*

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**HOUSE BILL 15-1164**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

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**House Committees**  
Judiciary

**Senate Committees**  
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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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

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**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.

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

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.*

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, amend  
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.