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HOUSE BILL 16-1195

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING HOME MODIFICATION SERVICES IN MEDICAID HOME- AND
102 COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS.

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 home modification services to clarify that the services are available for installations and adaptations related to an eligible person's disability as permitted by federal law, and not solely for a physical impairment.

With federal authorization, the bill permits the cap on the amount of home modification services an individual may receive to reset at the

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.

time of the renewal of the home- and community-based services (HCBS) for the elderly, blind, and disabled waiver.

The bill aligns the statutory definition for environmental modification services in the HCBS for persons with brain injury waiver by renaming it home modification services, and, with federal authorization, permits the cap on the amount of services an individual may receive to reset at the time of the renewal of the waiver.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-303, **amend**
3 (13) as follows:

4 **25.5-6-303. Definitions.** As used in this part 3 and part 5 of this
5 article, unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (13) "Home modification services" means home installations or
7 adaptations that are related to the eligible person's ~~physical impairment~~
8 ~~and~~ DISABILITY THAT enable the person to remain ~~at~~ IN THE home.

9 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-307, **amend**
10 (1) (d) as follows:

11 **25.5-6-307. Services for the elderly, blind, and disabled.**

12 (1) Subject to the provisions of this part 3, home- and community-based
13 services for the elderly, blind, and disabled include only the following
14 services:

15 (d) Home modification services. SUBJECT TO FEDERAL
16 AUTHORIZATION, THE INDIVIDUAL CAP ON THE AMOUNT OF HOME
17 MODIFICATION SERVICES THAT AN ELIGIBLE PERSON MAY RECEIVE RESETS
18 UPON EACH RENEWAL OF THE WAIVER AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES
19 PROVIDED IN THIS PART 3.

20 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-703, **add** (4.5)
21 as follows:

22 **25.5-6-703. Definitions.** As used in this part 7, unless the context

1 otherwise requires:

2 (4.5) "HOME MODIFICATION SERVICES" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
3 SET FORTH IN SECTION 25.5-6-303 (13).

4 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-704, **amend**
5 (2) (f) as follows:

6 **25.5-6-704. Implementation of home- and community-based**
7 **services program for persons with brain injury authorized - federal**
8 **waiver - duties of the department.** (2) Services for eligible persons may
9 be established in department rules to the extent authorized or required by
10 federal waiver, but shall include at least the following:

11 (f) ~~Environmental~~ HOME modification services. SUBJECT TO
12 FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION, THE INDIVIDUAL CAP ON THE AMOUNT OF HOME
13 MODIFICATION SERVICES THAT AN ELIGIBLE PERSON MAY RECEIVE RESETS
14 UPON EACH RENEWAL OF THE WAIVER AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES
15 PROVIDED IN THIS PART 7.

16 **SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
17 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
18 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
19 10, 2016, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2016); except that, if a
20 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
21 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
22 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
23 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
24 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
25 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.