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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING A HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE, AND, IN CONNECTION**  
102            **THEREWITH, AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE**  
103            **POLICY AND FINANCING TO CHARGE AND COLLECT A HOSPITAL**  
104            **PROVIDER FEE, SPECIFYING THE ALLOWABLE USES OF THE FEES,**  
105            **REQUIRING A POST-ENACTMENT REVIEW OF THE**  
106            **IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT, AND MAKING AN**  
107            **APPROPRIATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)*

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.

Authorizes the department of health care policy and financing (department) to charge and collect from licensed or certified hospitals a hospital provider fee (fee). Authorizes the medical services board to establish the amount of the fee that shall not exceed the federal limit and to promulgate rules governing the administration and collection of the fee. Specifies that the fee shall:

- ! Supplement and not supplant existing general fund appropriations to hospital providers unless payments to other medicaid providers are reduced;
- ! Be used for increasing reimbursements to hospitals under medicaid and the Colorado indigent care program, expanding eligibility for medicaid and the children's basic health plan (CHP+), and paying the costs of the department in administering the fee;
- ! Be returned if the federal government does not approve the fee; and
- ! Cease if the federal government no longer provides matching federal funds for the fee.

Establishes the hospital provider fee oversight and advisory board (board) to make recommendations to the department concerning the amount of the fee, procedures for collecting the fee, and changes to the eligibility requirements for assistance if moneys from the fee are insufficient to pay for all of the proposed eligibility expansions. Specifies membership of the board. Directs the board to report annually to specified committees of the general assembly, the governor, and the medical services board.

Establishes an additional hospital reimbursement based upon a hospital's performance in providing improved health outcomes for recipients.

Subject to sufficient moneys being received from the fee and the matching federal funds:

- ! Expands eligibility for medicaid to:
  - ! Parents of children eligible for medical assistance or CHP+ to up to 100% of the federal poverty level;
  - ! Disabled individuals participating in a medicaid buy-in program to up to 400% of the federal poverty level; and
  - ! Childless adults or adults without a dependent child in the home to up to 100% of the federal poverty level subject to federal authorization.
- ! Provides for continuous eligibility in medicaid for children for 12 months.
- ! Expands eligibility for children and pregnant women under CHP+ to up to 250% of the federal poverty level.

Directs that if moneys are insufficient to fully fund the proposed

eligibility expansions, the state board, subject to the approval of the joint budget committee, by rule may reduce the medical benefits offered or reduce the eligibility levels, but the state board may not reduce the eligibility levels below the current levels. Provides that any rule reducing medical benefits or eligibility expires on the following May 15 unless the general assembly acts by bill to extend the rule.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** Part 4 of article 4 of title 25.5, Colorado Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to  
4 read:

5           **25.5-4-402.3. Providers - hospital - provider fees - legislative**  
6 **declaration - federal waiver - fund created - rules - advisory board -**  
7 **repeal.** (1) **Short title.** THIS SECTION SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE  
8 CITED AS THE "HEALTH CARE AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2009".

9           (2) **Legislative declaration.** THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY  
10 FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

11           (a) THE STATE AND THE PROVIDERS OF PUBLICLY FUNDED MEDICAL  
12 SERVICES, AND HOSPITAL PROVIDERS IN PARTICULAR, SHARE A COMMON  
13 COMMITMENT TO COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE REFORM;

14           (b) HOSPITAL PROVIDERS WITHIN THE STATE INCUR SIGNIFICANT  
15 COSTS BY PROVIDING UNCOMPENSATED EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT CARE  
16 AND OTHER UNCOMPENSATED MEDICAL SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME AND  
17 UNINSURED POPULATIONS; AND

18           (c) THIS SECTION IS ENACTED AS PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE  
19 HEALTH CARE REFORM AND IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING  
20 STATE SERVICES AND BENEFITS:

21           (I) PROVIDING A PAYER SOURCE FOR SOME LOW-INCOME AND  
22 UNINSURED POPULATIONS WHO MAY OTHERWISE BE CARED FOR IN

1 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER SETTINGS IN WHICH  
2 UNCOMPENSATED CARE IS PROVIDED;

3 (II) REDUCING THE UNDERPAYMENT TO COLORADO HOSPITALS  
4 PARTICIPATING IN PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS;

5 (III) REDUCING THE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN COLORADO WHO ARE  
6 WITHOUT HEALTH CARE BENEFITS;

7 (IV) REDUCING THE NEED OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO SHIFT  
8 THE COST OF PROVIDING UNCOMPENSATED CARE TO OTHER PAYERS; AND

9 (V) EXPANDING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY, AFFORDABLE HEALTH  
10 CARE FOR LOW-INCOME AND UNINSURED POPULATIONS.

11 (3) **Hospital provider fee.** (a) BEGINNING WITH THE FISCAL YEAR  
12 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2009, AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE  
13 STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE AND COLLECT HOSPITAL  
14 PROVIDER FEES, AS DESCRIBED IN 42 CFR 433.68 (b), ON OUTPATIENT AND  
15 INPATIENT SERVICES PROVIDED BY ALL LICENSED OR CERTIFIED HOSPITALS,  
16 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS "HOSPITALS", FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
17 OBTAINING FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION UNDER THE STATE  
18 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AS DESCRIBED IN THIS ARTICLE AND  
19 ARTICLES 5 AND 6 OF THIS TITLE, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE  
20 STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND THE COLORADO INDIGENT  
21 CARE PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN PART 1 OF ARTICLE 3 OF THIS TITLE,  
22 REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "COLORADO INDIGENT CARE  
23 PROGRAM". THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEES SHALL BE USED TO:

24 (I) INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT TO HOSPITALS FOR PROVIDING  
25 MEDICAL CARE UNDER:

26 (A) THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND

27 (B) THE COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM;

1 (II) INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS COVERED BY PUBLIC  
2 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; AND

3 (III) PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
4 IN IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION.

5 (b) THE PROVIDER FEES SHALL BE ASSESSED PURSUANT TO RULES  
6 ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103, C.R.S.  
7 THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY RULE OF THE STATE  
8 BOARD BUT SHALL NOT EXCEED THE FEDERAL LIMIT FOR SUCH FEES. IN  
9 ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE AND IN PROMULGATING THE RULES  
10 GOVERNING THE FEE, THE STATE BOARD SHALL:

11 (I) CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE  
12 OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
13 SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION;

14 (II) ESTABLISH THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE SO THAT THE  
15 AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE FEE AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS  
16 ASSOCIATED WITH THE FEE ARE SUFFICIENT TO PAY FOR THE ITEMS  
17 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (3), BUT NOTHING IN  
18 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (II) SHALL REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD TO INCREASE  
19 THE PROVIDER FEE ABOVE THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE ADVISORY  
20 BOARD; AND

21 (III) ESTABLISH THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE SO THAT THE  
22 AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE FEE IS APPROXIMATELY EQUAL TO OR LESS  
23 THAN THE AMOUNT OF THE APPROPRIATION SPECIFIED FOR THE FEE IN THE  
24 GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OR ANY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION  
25 ACT.

26 (c) (I) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REDISTRIBUTIVE METHOD SET  
27 FORTH IN 42 CFR 433.68 (e) (1) AND (e) (2), THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY

1 SEEK A WAIVER FROM THE BROAD-BASED PROVIDER FEES REQUIREMENT  
2 OR THE UNIFORM PROVIDER FEES REQUIREMENT, OR BOTH. SUBJECT TO  
3 FEDERAL APPROVAL AND TO MINIMIZE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT ON CERTAIN  
4 HOSPITALS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE  
5 ADVISORY BOARD, MAY EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF THE PROVIDER FEE  
6 CERTAIN TYPES OF HOSPITALS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

7 (A) PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS, AS LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
8 OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT;

9 (B) HOSPITALS THAT ARE LICENSED AS GENERAL HOSPITALS AND  
10 CERTIFIED AS LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITALS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
11 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT;

12 (C) CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS THAT ARE LICENSED AS GENERAL  
13 HOSPITALS AND ARE CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
14 AND ENVIRONMENT UNDER 42 CFR PART 485, SUBPART F;

15 (D) INPATIENT REHABILITATION FACILITIES; OR

16 (E) HOSPITALS SPECIFIED FOR EXEMPTION UNDER 42 CFR 433.68  
17 (e).

18 (II) IN DETERMINING WHETHER A HOSPITAL MAY BE EXCLUDED,  
19 THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING  
20 CRITERIA:

21 (A) A HOSPITAL THAT IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA;

22 (B) A HOSPITAL WITH WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT  
23 CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
24 PROGRAM;

25 (C) A HOSPITAL WHOSE INCLUSION OR EXCLUSION WOULD NOT  
26 SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE NET BENEFIT TO HOSPITALS PAYING THE  
27 PROVIDER FEE; OR

1 (D) A HOSPITAL THAT MUST BE INCLUDED TO RECEIVE FEDERAL  
2 APPROVAL.

3 (III) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE  
4 PROVIDER FEE FOR CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO OBTAIN FEDERAL APPROVAL  
5 AND TO MINIMIZE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT ON CERTAIN HOSPITALS. IN  
6 DETERMINING FOR WHICH HOSPITALS THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY  
7 REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
8 SHALL USE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

9 (A) THE HOSPITAL IS A TYPE OF HOSPITAL DESCRIBED IN  
10 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c);

11 (B) THE HOSPITAL IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA;

12 (C) THE HOSPITAL SERVES A HIGHER PERCENTAGE THAN THE  
13 AVERAGE HOSPITAL OF PERSONS COVERED BY THE STATE MEDICAL  
14 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, MEDICARE, OR COMMERCIAL INSURANCE OR  
15 PERSONS ENROLLED IN A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION;

16 (D) THE HOSPITAL DOES NOT CONTRACT WITH THE STATE  
17 DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL  
18 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

19 (E) IF THE HOSPITAL PAID A REDUCED PROVIDER FEE, THE REDUCED  
20 PROVIDER FEE WOULD NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE NET BENEFIT TO  
21 HOSPITALS PAYING THE PROVIDER FEE; OR

22 (F) THE HOSPITAL IS REQUIRED NOT TO PAY A REDUCED PROVIDER  
23 FEE AS A CONDITION OF FEDERAL APPROVAL.

24 (d) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE  
25 ADVISORY BOARD, ALTER THE PROCESS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION  
26 (3) TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO MEET THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS  
27 AND TO OBTAIN FEDERAL APPROVAL.

1           (e) (I) THE STATE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY  
2 BOARD, SHALL PROMULGATE RULES ON THE CALCULATION, ASSESSMENT,  
3 AND TIMING OF THE PROVIDER FEE. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
4 ASSESS THE PROVIDER FEE ON A SCHEDULE TO BE SET BY THE STATE  
5 BOARD THROUGH RULE. THE STATE BOARD RULES SHALL REQUIRE THAT  
6 THE PERIODIC PROVIDER FEE PAYMENTS FROM A HOSPITAL AND THE STATE  
7 DEPARTMENT'S REIMBURSEMENT TO THE HOSPITAL UNDER  
8 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) AND (II) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
9 THIS SECTION ARE DUE AS NEARLY SIMULTANEOUSLY AS FEASIBLE; EXCEPT  
10 THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S REIMBURSEMENT TO THE HOSPITAL SHALL  
11 BE DUE NO MORE THAN TWO DAYS AFTER THE PERIODIC PROVIDER FEE  
12 PAYMENT IS RECEIVED FROM THE HOSPITAL. THE PROVIDER FEE SHALL BE  
13 IMPOSED ON EACH HOSPITAL EVEN IF MORE THAN ONE HOSPITAL IS OWNED  
14 BY THE SAME ENTITY. THE FEE SHALL BE PRORATED AND ADJUSTED FOR  
15 THE EXPECTED VOLUME OF SERVICE FOR ANY YEAR IN WHICH A HOSPITAL  
16 OPENS OR CLOSES.

17           (II) THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO REFUND ANY  
18 UNUSED PORTION OF THE PROVIDER FEE. FOR ANY PORTION OF THE  
19 PROVIDER FEE THAT HAS BEEN COLLECTED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
20 BUT FOR WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT RECEIVED FEDERAL  
21 MATCHING FUNDS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL REFUND BACK TO THE  
22 HOSPITAL THAT PAID THE FEE THE AMOUNT OF SUCH PORTION OF THE FEE  
23 WITHIN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE FEE IS COLLECTED.

24           (III) THE STATE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY  
25 BOARD, SHALL PROMULGATE RULES ON THE REPORTS THAT HOSPITALS  
26 SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO  
27 CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER FEE. NOTWITHSTANDING THE



1 PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S., INFORMATION  
2 PROVIDED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL  
3 BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL AND SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PUBLIC  
4 RECORD. NONETHELESS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION  
5 WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD, MAY PREPARE AND RELEASE SUMMARIES OF  
6 THE REPORTS TO THE PUBLIC.

7 (f) A HOSPITAL SHALL NOT INCLUDE ANY AMOUNT OF THE  
8 PROVIDER FEE AS A SEPARATE LINE ITEM IN ITS BILLING STATEMENTS.

9 (g) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE ANY RULES PURSUANT  
10 TO THE "STATE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT", ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE  
11 24, C.R.S., NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION  
12 OF THIS SECTION. PRIOR TO SUBMITTING ANY PROPOSED RULES  
13 CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
14 PROVIDER FEE TO THE STATE BOARD, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
15 CONSULT WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD ON THE PROPOSED RULES AS  
16 SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (e) OF SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION.

17 (4) **Hospital provider fee cash fund.** (a) ALL PROVIDER FEES  
18 COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
19 SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT  
20 THE SAME TO THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND, WHICH FUND IS  
21 HEREBY CREATED AND REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "FUND".

22 (b) ALL MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL  
23 MATCHING AS AUTHORIZED UNDER FEDERAL LAW AND SUBJECT TO  
24 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FOLLOWING  
25 PURPOSES:

26 (I) TO MAXIMIZE THE INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
27 REIMBURSEMENTS TO UP TO THE UPPER PAYMENT LIMITS AS DEFINED IN 42

1 CFR 447.272 AND 42 CFR 447.321;

2 (II) TO INCREASE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS UNDER THE  
3 COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM TO UP TO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT  
4 OF THE HOSPITAL'S COSTS OF PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE UNDER THE  
5 PROGRAM;

6 (III) TO PAY THE QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS PROVIDED IN  
7 SECTION 25.5-4-402 (3);

8 (IV) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE  
9 AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC  
10 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BY:

11 (A) INCREASING THE ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR PARENTS OF  
12 CHILDREN WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OR THE  
13 CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN TO UP TO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE  
14 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

15 (B) INCREASING THE ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR CHILDREN AND  
16 PREGNANT WOMEN UNDER THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN TO UP TO  
17 TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

18 (C) PROVIDING ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE STATE MEDICAL  
19 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR A CHILDLESS ADULT OR ADULTS WITHOUT A  
20 DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME WHO EARNS UP TO ONE HUNDRED  
21 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL;

22 (D) PROVIDING A BUY-IN PROGRAM IN THE STATE MEDICAL  
23 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR DISABLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN WHOSE  
24 FAMILIES EARN UP TO FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL  
25 POVERTY LEVEL;

26 (V) TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR TWELVE MONTHS  
27 FOR CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

1 (VI) TO PAY THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL ADMINISTRATIVE  
2 COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION, INCLUDING  
3 BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING COSTS:

4 (A) EXPENSES OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, INCLUDING BUT NOT  
5 LIMITED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
6 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ADVISORY  
7 BOARD;

8 (B) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS RELATED TO  
9 IMPLEMENTING AND MAINTAINING THE PROVIDER FEE, INCLUDING  
10 PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING, AND CONSULTING EXPENSES;

11 (C) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS FOR THE CHANGES  
12 AND UPDATES TO THE MEDICAID MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR  
13 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) TO (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH  
14 (b);

15 (D) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
16 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO PERSONNEL, CONSULTING SERVICES, AND  
17 FOR REVIEW OF HOSPITAL COSTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND  
18 ADMINISTER THE INCREASES IN INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
19 PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH  
20 (b), INCREASES IN THE COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM PAYMENTS  
21 MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b), AND  
22 QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III)  
23 OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b);

24 (E) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S ACTUAL COSTS FOR THE CHANGES  
25 AND UPDATES TO THE COLORADO BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND  
26 MEDICAID MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM TO IMPLEMENT AND  
27 MAINTAIN THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY PROVIDED FOR IN SUBPARAGRAPHS

1 (IV) AND (V) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b);

2 (F) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES AND  
3 OPERATING COSTS RELATED TO PERSONNEL NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT  
4 AND ADMINISTER THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC MEDICAL  
5 ASSISTANCE PROVIDED FOR IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (IV) AND (V) OF THIS  
6 PARAGRAPH (b), INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS  
7 ASSOCIATED WITH THE DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC  
8 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS;

9 (G) THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING,  
10 AND SYSTEMS COSTS RELATED TO EXPANDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR  
11 INDIVIDUALS TO APPLY FOR PUBLIC MEDICAL ASSISTANCE DIRECTLY AT  
12 HOSPITALS OR THROUGH ANOTHER ENTITY OUTSIDE THE COUNTY  
13 DEPARTMENTS THAT WOULD INCREASE ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEDICAL  
14 ASSISTANCE AND REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNINSURED SERVED BY  
15 HOSPITALS; AND

16 [REDACTED]

17 (VII) TO OFFSET THE LOSS OF ANY FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS DUE  
18 TO A DECREASE IN THE CERTIFICATION OF THE PUBLIC EXPENDITURE  
19 PROCESS FOR OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES  
20 PREMIUMS THAT WERE IN EFFECT AS OF JULY 1, 2008.

21 (c) ANY MONEYS IN THE FUND NOT EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES  
22 DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4) MAY BE INVESTED  
23 BY THE STATE TREASURER AS PROVIDED BY LAW. ALL INTEREST AND  
24 INCOME DERIVED FROM THE INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT OF MONEYS IN THE  
25 FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND. ANY UNEXPENDED AND  
26 UNENCUMBERED MONEYS REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF ANY  
27 FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR

1 TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND BUT SHALL BE  
2 APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED  
3 IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (4) IN FUTURE FISCAL YEARS.

4 (5) **Appropriations.** (a) (I) THE PROVIDER FEE IS TO SUPPLEMENT,  
5 NOT SUPPLANT, GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS TO SUPPORT HOSPITAL  
6 REIMBURSEMENTS AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. GENERAL  
7 FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL BE  
8 MAINTAINED AT THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES  
9 PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1,  
10 2008; EXCEPT THAT GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL  
11 REIMBURSEMENTS MAY BE REDUCED IF AN INDEX OF APPROPRIATIONS TO  
12 OTHER PROVIDERS SHOWS THAT GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS ARE  
13 REDUCED FOR OTHER PROVIDERS. IF THE INDEX SHOWS THAT GENERAL  
14 FUND APPROPRIATIONS ARE REDUCED FOR OTHER PROVIDERS, THE  
15 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS SHALL  
16 NOT BE REDUCED BY A GREATER PERCENTAGE THAN THE REDUCTIONS OF  
17 APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OTHER PROVIDERS AS SHOWN BY THE INDEX.

18 (II) IF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOSPITAL  
19 REIMBURSEMENTS ARE REDUCED BELOW THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS  
20 IN THE MEDICAL SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL  
21 YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2008, THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS  
22 WILL BE INCREASED BACK TO THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE  
23 MEDICAL SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM MADE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
24 COMMENCING JULY 1, 2008, AT THE SAME PERCENTAGE AS THE  
25 APPROPRIATIONS FOR OTHER PROVIDERS AS SHOWN BY THE INDEX. THE  
26 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO INCREASE THE GENERAL FUND  
27 APPROPRIATIONS BACK TO THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE MEDICAL

1 SERVICES PREMIUM LINE ITEM IN A SINGLE FISCAL YEAR AND SUCH  
2 INCREASES MAY OCCUR OVER NONCONSECUTIVE FISCAL YEARS.

3 (III) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), THE "INDEX OF  
4 APPROPRIATIONS TO OTHER PROVIDERS" OR "INDEX" SHALL MEAN THE  
5 AVERAGE PERCENT CHANGE IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES THROUGH  
6 APPROPRIATIONS OR LEGISLATION ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
7 TO HOME HEALTH PROVIDERS, PHYSICIAN SERVICES, AND OUTPATIENT  
8 PHARMACIES, EXCLUDING DISPENSING FEES. THE STATE BOARD, AFTER  
9 CONSULTATION WITH THE ADVISORY BOARD, IS AUTHORIZED TO CLARIFY  
10 THIS DEFINITION AS NECESSARY BY RULE.

11 (b) IF THE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE IS INSUFFICIENT TO  
12 FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF  
13 SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION:

14 (I) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO APPROPRIATE  
15 GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO FUND SUCH PURPOSES;

16 (II) THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT AND QUALITY  
17 INCENTIVE PAYMENT INCREASES DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) TO  
18 (III) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND THE  
19 COSTS DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (VI) AND (VII) OF PARAGRAPH (b)  
20 OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE FULLY FUNDED USING  
21 REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE AND FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS  
22 BEFORE ANY ELIGIBILITY EXPANSION IS FUNDED; AND

23 (III) (A) IF THE STATE BOARD PROMULGATES RULES THAT EXPAND  
24 ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO BE PAID FOR PURSUANT TO  
25 SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS  
26 SECTION, AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT THEREAFTER NOTIFIES THE  
27 ADVISORY BOARD THAT THE REVENUE AVAILABLE FROM THE PROVIDER

1 FEE AND THE FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENT TO PAY  
2 FOR ALL OR PART OF THE EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY, THE ADVISORY BOARD  
3 SHALL RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD REDUCTIONS IN MEDICAL  
4 BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY SO THAT THE REVENUE WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO  
5 PAY FOR ALL OF THE REDUCED BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY. AFTER  
6 RECEIVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, THE STATE  
7 BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES PROVIDING FOR REDUCED BENEFITS OR  
8 REDUCED ELIGIBILITY FOR WHICH THE REVENUE SHALL BE SUFFICIENT AND  
9 SHALL FORWARD ANY ADOPTED RULES TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE.  
10 NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-4-103 (8) AND (12),  
11 C.R.S., FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF RULES PURSUANT TO THIS  
12 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A), THE STATE BOARD SHALL NOT SUBMIT THE  
13 RULES TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SHALL NOT FILE THE RULES WITH  
14 THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNTIL THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROVES  
15 THE RULES PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH  
16 (III).

17 (B) THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL PROMPTLY CONSIDER  
18 ANY RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD PURSUANT TO  
19 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III). THE JOINT BUDGET  
20 COMMITTEE SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THE  
21 STATE BOARD, AND THE ADVISORY BOARD OF ANY ACTION ON SUCH RULES.  
22 IF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE DOES NOT APPROVE THE RULES, THE  
23 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL RECOMMEND A REDUCTION IN BENEFITS  
24 OR ELIGIBILITY SO THAT THE REVENUE FROM THE PROVIDER FEE AND THE  
25 MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO PAY FOR THE REDUCED  
26 BENEFITS OR ELIGIBILITY. AFTER APPROVING THE RULES PURSUANT TO  
27 THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (B), THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL

1 REQUEST THAT THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES, CREATED PURSUANT  
2 TO SECTION 2-3-501, C.R.S., EXTEND THE RULES AS PROVIDED FOR IN  
3 SECTION 24-4-103 (8), C.R.S., UNLESS THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL  
4 SERVICES FINDS AFTER REVIEW THAT THE RULES DO NOT CONFORM WITH  
5 SECTION 24-4-103 (8) (a), C.R.S.

6 (C) AFTER THE STATE BOARD HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF THE  
7 APPROVAL OF RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (A) OF  
8 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III), THE STATE BOARD SHALL SUBMIT THE RULES TO  
9 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (8) (b), C.R.S.,  
10 AND SHALL FILE THE RULES AND THE OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
11 WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (12),  
12 C.R.S., AND WITH THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES.  
13 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103 (5), C.R.S., THE RULES SHALL BE  
14 EFFECTIVE TWENTY DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE RULES AND SHALL  
15 ONLY BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MAY 15 UNLESS THE RULES  
16 ARE EXTENDED PURSUANT TO A BILL ENACTED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
17 24-4-103 (8), C.R.S.

18 (c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION,  
19 IF, AFTER RECEIPT OF AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE FEDERAL MATCHING  
20 FUNDS FOR MONEYS IN THE FUND, THE AUTHORIZATION IS WITHDRAWN OR  
21 CHANGED SO THAT FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS ARE NO LONGER  
22 AVAILABLE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL CEASE COLLECTING THE  
23 PROVIDER FEE AND SHALL REPAY TO THE HOSPITALS ANY MONEYS  
24 RECEIVED BY THE FUND THAT ARE NOT SUBJECT TO FEDERAL MATCHING  
25 FUNDS.

26 (6) **Hospital provider fee oversight and advisory board.**

27 (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE HOSPITAL



1 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD, REFERRED TO IN THIS  
2 SECTION AS THE "ADVISORY BOARD".

3 (b) (I) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THIRTEEN  
4 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT  
5 OF THE SENATE, AS FOLLOWS:

6 (A) FIVE MEMBERS WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY HOSPITALS IN  
7 COLORADO, INCLUDING AT LEAST ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A  
8 HOSPITAL IN A RURAL AREA, ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A  
9 SAFETY-NET HOSPITAL FOR WHICH THE PERCENT OF MEDICAID-ELIGIBLE  
10 INPATIENT DAYS RELATIVE TO ITS TOTAL INPATIENT DAYS SHALL BE EQUAL  
11 TO OR GREATER THAN ONE STANDARD DEVIATION ABOVE THE MEAN, AND  
12 ONE PERSON WHO IS EMPLOYED BY A HOSPITAL IN AN URBAN AREA;

13 (B) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE  
14 ORGANIZATION OF HOSPITALS;

15 (C) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION  
16 OF HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS OR A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER  
17 LICENSED PURSUANT TO TITLE 10, C.R.S., AND WHO IS NOT A  
18 REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSPITAL;

19 (D) ONE MEMBER OF THE HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY WHO DOES NOT  
20 REPRESENT A HOSPITAL OR A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER;

21 (E) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A CONSUMER OF HEALTH CARE AND WHO  
22 IS NOT A REPRESENTATIVE OR AN EMPLOYEE OF A HOSPITAL, HEALTH  
23 INSURANCE CARRIER, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY ENTITY;

24 (F) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF PERSONS WITH  
25 DISABILITIES, WHO IS LIVING WITH A DISABILITY, AND WHO IS NOT A  
26 REPRESENTATIVE OR AN EMPLOYEE OF A HOSPITAL, HEALTH INSURANCE  
27 CARRIER, OR OTHER HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY ENTITY;

1 (G) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A BUSINESS THAT  
2 PURCHASES OR OTHERWISE PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE FOR ITS  
3 EMPLOYEES; AND

4 (H) TWO EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

5 (II) THE GOVERNOR SHALL CONSULT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF  
6 A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF HOSPITALS IN MAKING THE  
7 APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS (A) AND (B) OF  
8 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b). NO MORE THAN SIX MEMBERS  
9 OF THE ADVISORY BOARD MAY BE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL  
10 PARTY.

11 (III) MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL SERVE AT THE  
12 PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR. IN MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS, THE  
13 GOVERNOR SHALL SPECIFY THAT FOUR MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL  
14 TERMS OF TWO YEARS AND THREE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL TERMS  
15 OF THREE YEARS. ALL OTHER TERMS INCLUDING TERMS AFTER THE INITIAL  
16 TERMS SHALL BE FOUR YEARS. A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED TO FILL A  
17 VACANCY SHALL SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE  
18 FORMER MEMBER.

19 (IV) THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE A CHAIR FROM AMONG THE  
20 MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTED PURSUANT TO  
21 SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS (A) TO (G) OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS  
22 PARAGRAPH (b). THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL ELECT A VICE-CHAIR FROM  
23 AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

24 (c) MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL SERVE WITHOUT  
25 COMPENSATION BUT SHALL BE REIMBURSED FROM MONEYS IN THE FUND  
26 FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE  
27 OF THEIR DUTIES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

1 (d) THE ADVISORY BOARD MAY DIRECT THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
2 TO CONTRACT FOR A GROUP FACILITATOR TO ASSIST THE MEMBERS OF THE  
3 ADVISORY BOARD IN PERFORMING THEIR REQUIRED DUTIES.

4 (e) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL HAVE, AT A MINIMUM, THE  
5 FOLLOWING DUTIES:

6 (I) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE TIMING AND  
7 METHOD BY WHICH THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSESS THE PROVIDER  
8 FEE AND THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE;

9 (II) IF REQUESTED BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
10 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE OR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY  
11 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, TO CONSULT WITH THE COMMITTEES ON ANY  
12 LEGISLATION THAT MAY IMPACT THE PROVIDER FEE OR HOSPITAL  
13 REIMBURSEMENTS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

14 (III) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT CHANGES IN THE  
15 PROVIDER FEE THAT INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALS BENEFITTING  
16 FROM THE USES OF THE PROVIDER FEE DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS (I)  
17 TO (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION OR THAT  
18 MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALS THAT SUFFER LOSSES AS A RESULT  
19 OF PAYING THE PROVIDER FEE;

20 (IV) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT REFORMS OR  
21 CHANGES TO THE INPATIENT HOSPITAL AND OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL  
22 REIMBURSEMENTS AND QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE UNDER THE  
23 STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO INCREASE PROVIDER  
24 ACCOUNTABILITY, PERFORMANCE, AND REPORTING;

25 (V) TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT THE SCHEDULE  
26 AND APPROACH TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUBPARAGRAPHS (IV) AND  
27 (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

1 (VI) IF MONEYS IN THE FUND ARE INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND  
2 ALL OF THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
3 THIS SECTION, TO RECOMMEND TO THE STATE BOARD CHANGES TO THE  
4 EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF  
5 PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

6 (VII) TO PREPARE THE REPORTS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (f) OF  
7 THIS SUBSECTION (6);

8 (VIII) TO MONITOR THE IMPACT OF THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE  
9 ON THE BROADER HEALTH CARE MARKETPLACE; AND

10 (IX) TO PERFORM ANY OTHER DUTIES REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE  
11 ADVISORY BOARD'S CHARGE OR THOSE ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE STATE  
12 BOARD OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

13 (f) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 15, 2010, AND ON OR BEFORE  
14 JANUARY 15 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL  
15 SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
16 COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR  
17 ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE  
18 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE STATE BOARD. THE  
19 REPORT SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO:

20 (I) THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE TO THE STATE BOARD  
21 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

22 (II) A DESCRIPTION OF THE FORMULA FOR HOW THE PROVIDER FEE  
23 IS CALCULATED AND THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE PROVIDER FEE IS  
24 ASSESSED AND COLLECTED;

25 (III) AN ITEMIZATION OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PROVIDER  
26 FEE PAID BY EACH HOSPITAL AND ANY PROJECTED REVENUE THAT EACH  
27 HOSPITAL IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE DUE TO:

1 (A) THE INCREASED REIMBURSEMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO  
2 SUBPARAGRAPHS (I) AND (II) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF  
3 THIS SECTION AND THE QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT  
4 TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS  
5 SECTION; AND

6 (B) THE INCREASED ELIGIBILITY DESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS  
7 (IV) AND (V) OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION;

8 (IV) AN ITEMIZATION OF THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE STATE  
9 DEPARTMENT IN IMPLEMENTING AND ADMINISTERING THE HOSPITAL  
10 PROVIDER FEE; AND

11 (V) ESTIMATES OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COST OF CARE  
12 PROVIDED AND THE PAYMENT RECEIVED BY HOSPITALS ON A PER-PATIENT  
13 BASIS, AGGREGATED FOR ALL HOSPITALS, FOR PATIENTS COVERED BY EACH  
14 OF THE FOLLOWING:

15 (A) MEDICAID;

16 (B) MEDICARE; AND

17 (C) ALL OTHERS PAYERS.

18 (g) (I) THIS SUBSECTION (6) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.

19 (II) PRIOR TO SAID REPEAL, THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL BE  
20 REVIEWED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

21 (7) **Notice to revisor of statutes - repeal.** (a) WITHIN SIXTY  
22 DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AUTHORIZATION TO  
23 RECEIVE FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE MONEYS IN THE FUND, THE  
24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF  
25 STATUTES AND TO THE STATE TREASURER INFORMING THEM OF THE  
26 AUTHORIZATION.

27 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (3) OF

1 THIS SECTION, IF THE STATE TREASURER HAS NOT RECEIVED THE NOTICE  
2 REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7) BY JULY 1, 2011,  
3 THE STATE TREASURER SHALL RETURN ALL MONEYS CONTAINED IN THE  
4 FUND TO THE HOSPITALS THAT PAID THE PROVIDER FEE, TOGETHER WITH  
5 ANY INTEREST OR INCOME EARNED ON SUCH MONEYS.

6 (c) IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES DOES NOT RECEIVE THE NOTICE  
7 REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7) BY JULY 1, 2012,  
8 THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012.

9 (d) IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES RECEIVES THE NOTICE REQUIRED  
10 BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (7), THIS SUBSECTION (7) IS  
11 REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF  
12 THE NOTICE.

13 **SECTION 2.** 2-3-1203 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

15 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The  
16 following dates are the dates for which the statutory authorization for the  
17 designated advisory committees is scheduled for repeal:

18 (ff) JULY 1, 2019: THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND  
19 ADVISORY BOARD, CREATED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3, C.R.S.

20 **SECTION 3.** 25.5-3-108, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended  
21 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

22 **25.5-3-108. Responsibility of the department of health care**  
23 **policy and financing - provider reimbursement.** (17) **SUBJECT TO**  
24 **ADEQUATE FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE UNDER SECTION 25.5-4-402.3, THE**  
25 **STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCREASE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS UP TO**  
26 **ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF HOSPITAL COSTS FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL**  
27 **CARE UNDER THE PROGRAM.**

1           **SECTION 4.** 25.5-4-402 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended, and the said 25.5-4-402 is further amended BY THE  
3 ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

4           **25.5-4-402. Providers - hospital reimbursement - rules.**

5 (1) FOR ALL LICENSED OR CERTIFIED HOSPITALS CONTRACTING FOR  
6 SERVICES UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND ARTICLES 5 AND 6 OF THIS TITLE,  
7 EXCEPT THOSE HOSPITALS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
8 SERVICES OR THOSE HOSPITALS DEEMED EXEMPT BY THE STATE BOARD, the  
9 state department shall pay ~~all licensed or certified hospitals under this~~  
10 ~~article and articles 5 and 6 of this title, except those hospitals operated by~~  
11 ~~the department of human services,~~ FOR INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES  
12 pursuant to a system of prospective payment, generally based on the  
13 elements of ~~the medicare system of~~ A diagnosis-related ~~groups~~ GROUP  
14 SYSTEM. The state department shall develop and administer a system for  
15 ~~assuring~~ ENSURING appropriate utilization and quality of care provided by  
16 those providers who are reimbursed ~~pursuant to the system of prospective~~  
17 ~~payment developed~~ under this section. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
18 APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO MAKE  
19 SUPPLEMENTAL MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN HOSPITALS. The state  
20 board shall promulgate rules to provide for the implementation of this  
21 section.

22           (3) (a) IN ADDITION TO THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE PROCESS  
23 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND SUBJECT TO  
24 ADEQUATE FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION  
25 25.5-4-402.3, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY AN ADDITIONAL  
26 AMOUNT BASED UPON PERFORMANCE TO THOSE HOSPITALS THAT PROVIDE  
27 SERVICES THAT IMPROVE HEALTH CARE OUTCOMES FOR THEIR PATIENTS.

1 THIS AMOUNT SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT BASED  
2 UPON NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED  
3 IN RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD. THE STATE QUALITY  
4 STANDARDS SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL QUALITY STANDARDS  
5 PUBLISHED BY AN ORGANIZATION WITH EXPERTISE IN HEALTH CARE  
6 QUALITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE  
7 AND MEDICAID SERVICES, THE AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND  
8 QUALITY, OR THE NATIONAL QUALITY FORUM.

9 (b) THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO THIS  
10 SUBSECTION (3) SHALL BE COMPUTED ANNUALLY. FOR THE FIRST TWO  
11 FISCAL YEARS THAT PAYMENTS ARE MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION  
12 (3), THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS SHALL BE UP TO FIVE PERCENT  
13 OF THE TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS MADE TO HOSPITALS IN THE PREVIOUS  
14 YEAR. FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR AFTER THE FIRST TWO FISCAL YEARS, THE  
15 TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENTS SHALL BE UP TO SEVEN PERCENT OF THE  
16 TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS MADE TO HOSPITALS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

17 **SECTION 5.** 25.5-5-201 (1) (m) (I) and (1) (o), Colorado  
18 Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said 25.5-5-201 (1) is further  
19 amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW  
20 PARAGRAPHS, to read:

21 **25.5-5-201. Optional provisions - optional groups - repeal.**

22 (1) The federal government allows the state to select optional groups to  
23 receive medical assistance. Pursuant to federal law, any person who is  
24 eligible for medical assistance under the optional groups specified in this  
25 section shall receive both the mandatory services specified in sections  
26 25.5-5-102 and 25.5-5-103 and the optional services specified in sections  
27 25.5-5-202 and 25.5-5-203. Subject to the availability of federal financial



1 aid funds, the following are the individuals or groups that Colorado has  
2 selected as optional groups to receive medical assistance pursuant to this  
3 article and articles 4 and 6 of this title:

4 (m) (I) (A) Parents of children who are eligible for the medical  
5 assistance program or the children's basic health plan, article 8 of this  
6 title, whose family income does not exceed a specified percent of the  
7 federal poverty level, adjusted for family size, as set by the state board by  
8 rule, which percentage shall be not less than ~~sixty~~ ONE HUNDRED percent.

9 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH  
10 (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (I), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL  
11 PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
12 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL  
13 MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE  
14 PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING  
15 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND  
16 ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6),  
17 FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
18 PROGRAM OR THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN, THE STATE BOARD BY  
19 RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
20 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED TO SUCH  
21 PARENT WHOSE FAMILY INCOME EXCEEDS SIXTY PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL  
22 POVERTY LEVEL OR REDUCE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
23 LEVEL TO BELOW ONE HUNDRED PERCENT, BUT THE PERCENTAGE SHALL  
24 NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW SIXTY PERCENT.

25 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH  
26 (A) OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (I), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
27 FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL

1 POVERTY RATE FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL  
2 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN, THE  
3 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN  
4 SIXTY PERCENT. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
5 RECEIVES AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE  
6 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND  
7 WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF  
8 THE AUTHORIZATION. THIS SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH (C) IS REPEALED,  
9 EFFECTIVE THE JULY 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE  
10 REVISOR OF STATUTES.

11 (o) (I) Individuals with disabilities who are participating in the  
12 medicaid buy-in program established in part 14 of article 6 of this title.

13 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
14 THIS PARAGRAPH (o), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
15 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
16 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
17 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
18 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
19 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
20 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO  
21 ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN  
22 PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE, THE STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED  
23 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY  
24 REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED OR THE PERCENTAGE OF THE  
25 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT OR  
26 MAY ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

27 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH

1 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (o), INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE  
2 PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN PART  
3 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE SHALL ONLY BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS  
4 UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT  
5 RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

6 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
7 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS WITH  
8 DISABILITIES WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM  
9 ESTABLISHED IN PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS TITLE, THE EXECUTIVE  
10 DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES  
11 INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

12 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
13 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

14 (p) (I) SUBJECT TO FEDERAL APPROVAL, PERSONS OVER EIGHTEEN  
15 YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN  
16 THE HOME WHOSE FAMILY INCOME DOES NOT EXCEED A SPECIFIED  
17 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY  
18 SIZE AND AS SET BY THE STATE BOARD BY RULE, WHICH PERCENTAGE  
19 SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED PERCENT.

20 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
21 THIS PARAGRAPH (p), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
22 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
23 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
24 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
25 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
26 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
27 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR CHILDLESS PERSONS OR FOR PERSONS

1 WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME, THE STATE BOARD BY RULE  
2 ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b)  
3 (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS OFFERED OR THE PERCENTAGE  
4 OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OR  
5 MAY ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

6 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
7 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (p), PERSONS OVER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHO  
8 ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT CHILD IN THE HOME SHALL  
9 ONLY BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
10 PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION  
11 FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

12 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
13 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO PERSONS OVER  
14 EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHO ARE CHILDLESS OR WITHOUT A DEPENDENT  
15 CHILD IN THE HOME, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN  
16 NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE  
17 AUTHORIZATION.

18 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
19 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

20 (q) CHILDREN WHO ARE CONTINUOUSLY ELIGIBLE FOR TWELVE  
21 MONTHS PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-204.5.

22 (r) (I) PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM  
23 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206 WHOSE FAMILY INCOME  
24 DOES NOT EXCEED A SPECIFIED PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
25 LEVEL, ADJUSTED FOR FAMILY SIZE AND AS SET BY THE STATE BOARD BY  
26 RULE, WHICH PERCENTAGE SHALL BE NOT MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED  
27 FIFTY PERCENT.

1           (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
2 THIS PARAGRAPH (r), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
3 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
4 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
5 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
6 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
7 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
8 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID  
9 BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206, THE  
10 STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF  
11 SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE MEDICAL BENEFITS  
12 OFFERED, OR THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, OR MAY  
13 ELIMINATE THIS ELIGIBILITY GROUP.

14           (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISION OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
15 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (r), PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR A MEDICAID BUY-IN  
16 PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-5-206 SHALL ONLY  
17 BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF  
18 THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR SUCH  
19 ELIGIBILITY.

20           (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
21 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE MEDICAL BENEFITS TO PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR  
22 A MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
23 25.5-5-206, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE OF  
24 TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE  
25 AUTHORIZATION.

26           (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
27 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

1           **SECTION 6.** Part 2 of article 5 of title 25.5, Colorado Revised  
2 Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING NEW  
3 SECTIONS to read:

4           **25.5-5-204.5. Continuous eligibility - children - repeal.** (1) A  
5 CHILD WHO IS DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER THIS  
6 ARTICLE OR UNDER ARTICLE 4 OR 6 OF THIS TITLE SHALL REMAIN ELIGIBLE  
7 FOR TWELVE MONTHS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN  
8 WHICH THE CHILD WAS ENROLLED; EXCEPT THAT A CHILD SHALL NO  
9 LONGER BE ELIGIBLE AND SHALL BE DISENROLLED FROM THE STATE  
10 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT BECOMES  
11 AWARE OF OR IS NOTIFIED THAT THE CHILD HAS MOVED OUT OF THE STATE  
12 OR HAS REACHED NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE.

13           (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF  
14 THIS SECTION, IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH FUND  
15 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER WITH  
16 THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT TO  
17 FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4)  
18 (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER  
19 FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
20 SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), THE STATE BOARD BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT  
21 TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY ELIMINATE  
22 THE CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO THIS  
23 SECTION.

24           (3) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF  
25 THIS SECTION, CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN SHALL ONLY BE  
26 EFFECTIVE IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION  
27 FOR SUCH ELIGIBILITY.

1 (b) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
2 AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN, THE  
3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF  
4 STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

5 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (3) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY 1  
6 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

7 **25.5-5-206. Medicaid buy-in program - disabled children -**  
8 **disabled adults - federal authorization - rules.** (1) (a) SUBJECT TO  
9 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO  
10 SEEK FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO AND TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID BUY IN  
11 PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS FOR:

12 (I) DISABLED CHILDREN; OR

13 (II) DISABLED ADULTS WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE MEDICAID  
14 BUY-IN PROGRAM ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO PART 14 OF ARTICLE 6 OF  
15 THIS TITLE.

16 (b) THE MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED  
17 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) MAY PROVIDE FOR  
18 PREMIUM AND COST-SHARING CHARGES ON A SLIDING FEE SCALE BASED  
19 UPON A FAMILY'S INCOME.

20 (2) THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES CONSISTENT  
21 WITH ANY FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE  
22 MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO  
23 PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

24 **SECTION 7.** 25.5-6-1403 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
25 amended to read:

26 **25.5-6-1403. Waivers and amendments.** (2) If approved by the  
27 joint budget committee following its review of the report and subject to

1 available appropriations, the state department shall submit to the federal  
2 ~~health care financing administration~~ CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND  
3 MEDICAID SERVICES an amendment to the state medical assistance plan,  
4 and shall request any necessary waivers from the secretary of the federal  
5 department of health and human services, to permit the state department  
6 to expand medical assistance eligibility as provided in this part 14 for the  
7 purpose of implementing a medicaid buy-in program for people with  
8 disabilities who are in the basic coverage group or the medical  
9 improvement group. In addition, the state department shall apply to the  
10 secretary of the federal department of health and human services for a  
11 medicaid infrastructure grant, if available, to develop and implement the  
12 federal "Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999",  
13 Pub.L. 106-170.

14 **SECTION 8.** 25.5-8-103 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, as  
15 amended by Senate Bill 09-211, enacted at the First Regular Session of  
16 the Sixty-seventh General Assembly, is amended to read:

17 **25.5-8-103. Definitions - repeal.** As used in this article, unless  
18 the context otherwise requires:

19 (4) "Eligible person" means:

20 (a) (I) A person who is less than nineteen years of age, whose  
21 family income does not exceed two hundred ~~five~~ FIFTY percent of the  
22 federal poverty level, adjusted for family size; ~~except that, subject to~~  
23 ~~available appropriations, the department may increase the percentage of~~  
24 ~~the federal poverty level for purposes of eligibility to up to two hundred~~  
25 ~~fifty percent; or~~

26 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
27 THIS PARAGRAPH (a), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH



1 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
2 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
3 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
4 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
5 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
6 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PERSONS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS  
7 OF AGE, THE STATE BOARD MAY BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE  
8 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) REDUCE THE  
9 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED  
10 FIFTY PERCENT, BUT THE PERCENTAGE SHALL NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW  
11 TWO HUNDRED FIVE PERCENT;

12 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
13 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
14 FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL  
15 POVERTY RATE FOR A PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE,  
16 THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL NOT EXCEED  
17 TWO HUNDRED FIVE PERCENT.

18 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
19 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF FEDERAL POVERTY  
20 LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE  
21 REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

22 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY  
23 1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

24  
25 (b) (I) A pregnant woman whose family income does not exceed  
26 two hundred ~~five~~ FIFTY percent of the federal poverty level, adjusted for  
27 family size, and who is not eligible for medicaid. ~~except that, subject to~~

1 available appropriations, the department may increase the percentage of  
2 the federal poverty level for purposes of eligibility to up to two hundred  
3 fifty percent.

4 (II) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF  
5 THIS PARAGRAPH (b), IF THE MONEYS IN THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE CASH  
6 FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (4), TOGETHER  
7 WITH THE CORRESPONDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS, ARE INSUFFICIENT  
8 TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTION 25.5-4-402.3  
9 (4) (b), AFTER RECEIVING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOSPITAL  
10 PROVIDER FEE OVERSIGHT AND ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED PURSUANT  
11 TO SECTION 25.5-4-402.3 (6), FOR PREGNANT WOMEN, THE STATE BOARD  
12 BY RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION  
13 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III) MAY REDUCE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL  
14 POVERTY LEVEL TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PERCENT, BUT THE  
15 PERCENTAGE SHALL NOT BE REDUCED TO BELOW TWO HUNDRED FIVE  
16 PERCENT.

17 (III) (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH  
18 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b), UNTIL THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
19 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY  
20 RATE FOR A PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE, THE  
21 PERCENTAGE OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL NOT EXCEED TWO  
22 HUNDRED FIVE PERCENT.

23 (B) WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES  
24 AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF FEDERAL POVERTY  
25 LEVEL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE  
26 REVISOR OF STATUTES INFORMING HIM OR HER OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

27 (C) THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE THE JULY

1 FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

2 SECTION 9. 24-4-103 (8) (c) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
3 amended to read:

4 **24-4-103. Rule-making - procedure - repeal.**

5 (8) (c) (I) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary  
6 and the provisions of section 24-4-107, all rules adopted or amended on  
7 or after January 1, 1993, and before November 1, 1993, shall expire at  
8 11:59 p.m. on May 15 of the year following their adoption unless the  
9 general assembly by bill acts to postpone the expiration of a specific rule,  
10 and commencing with rules adopted or amended on or after November 1,  
11 1993, all rules adopted or amended during any one-year period that begins  
12 each November 1 and continues through the following October 31 shall  
13 expire at 11:59 p.m. on the May 15 that follows such one-year period  
14 unless the general assembly by bill acts to postpone the expiration of a  
15 specific rule; EXCEPT THAT A RULE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION  
16 25.5-4-402.3 (5) (b) (III), C.R.S., SHALL EXPIRE AT 11:59 P.M. ON THE  
17 MAY 15 FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF THE RULE UNLESS THE GENERAL  
18 ASSEMBLY ACTS BY BILL TO POSTPONE THE EXPIRATION OF A SPECIFIC  
19 RULE. The general assembly, in its discretion, may postpone such  
20 expiration, in which case, the provisions of section 24-4-108 or  
21 24-34-104 shall apply, and the rules shall expire or be subject to review  
22 as provided in said sections. The postponement of the expiration of a rule  
23 shall not constitute legislative approval of the rule nor be admissible in  
24 any court as evidence of legislative intent. The postponement of the  
25 expiration date of a specific rule shall not prohibit any action by the  
26 general assembly pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (d) of this  
27 subsection (8) with respect to such rule.

1           **SECTION 10. Accountability.** Five years after this act becomes  
2 law and in accordance with section 2-2-1201, Colorado Revised Statutes,  
3 the legislative service agencies of the Colorado General Assembly shall  
4 conduct a post-enactment review of the implementation of this act  
5 utilizing the information contained in the legislative declaration set forth  
6 in section 25.5-4-402.3 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes.

7           **SECTION 11. Appropriation - adjustments to the 2009 long**  
8 **bill.** (1) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the  
9 annual general appropriation act for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
10 2009, to the department of health care policy and financing shall be  
11 adjusted as follows:

12           (a) The appropriation to the executive director's division is  
13 increased by six million nine hundred fifty-eight thousand three hundred  
14 eighteen dollars (\$6,958,318) and 12.0 FTE. Of said sum, two million  
15 four hundred twenty-two thousand seven hundred twenty-five dollars  
16 (\$2,422,725) shall be from the hospital provider fee cash fund created in  
17 section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, one hundred forty-  
18 six thousand one hundred seventy-three dollars (\$146,173) shall be cash  
19 funds from local certified funds, and four million three hundred eighty-  
20 nine thousand four hundred twenty dollars (\$4,389,420) shall be from  
21 federal funds.

22           (b) The appropriation to the medical services premiums division  
23 is increased by three hundred twenty-seven million one hundred seventy-  
24 one thousand four hundred sixty dollars (\$327,171,460). Of said sum,  
25 one hundred sixty-three million five hundred eighty-five thousand seven  
26 hundred thirty dollars (\$163,585,730) shall be from the hospital provider  
27 fee cash fund created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised

1 Statutes, and one hundred sixty-three million five hundred eighty-five  
2 thousand seven hundred thirty dollars (\$163,585,730) shall be from  
3 federal funds.

4 (c) The appropriation to the medicaid mental health community  
5 programs division is increased by three million three hundred forty-five  
6 thousand one hundred ten dollars (\$3,345,110). Of said sum, one million  
7 six hundred seventy-two thousand five hundred fifty-five dollars  
8 (\$1,672,555) shall be from the hospital provider fee cash fund created in  
9 section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes and one million six  
10 hundred seventy-two thousand five hundred fifty-five dollars  
11 (\$1,672,555) shall be from federal funds.

12 (d) The appropriation to the indigent care program for safety net  
13 provider payments is increased by three hundred twenty-two million two  
14 hundred thousand dollars (\$322,200,000). Of said sum, one hundred  
15 sixty-one million one hundred thousand (\$161,100,000) shall be from the  
16 hospital provider fee cash fund created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4),  
17 Colorado Revised Statutes and one hundred sixty-one million one  
18 hundred thousand (\$161,100,000) shall be federal funds.

19 (e) The appropriation to the indigent care program for safety net  
20 provider payments is decreased by two hundred seventy million seven  
21 thousand sixty-six dollars (\$270,007,066). Of said sum, one hundred  
22 thirty-five million three thousand five hundred thirty-three dollars  
23 (\$135,003,533) shall be from public certified funds representing  
24 expenditures incurred by public hospitals and one hundred thirty-five  
25 million three thousand five hundred thirty-three dollars (\$135,003,533)  
26 shall be from federal funds.

27 (f) The appropriation to the indigent care program for the

1 children's basic health plan administration is increased by nine thousand  
2 eight hundred dollars (\$9,800). Of said sum, three thousand four hundred  
3 thirty dollars (\$3,430) shall be shall be from the hospital provider fee  
4 cash fund created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes,  
5 and six thousand three hundred seventy dollars (\$6,370) shall be from  
6 federal funds.

7 (g) The appropriation to the indigent care program for the  
8 children's basic health plan premium costs is increased by twenty million  
9 two hundred ninety-eight thousand six hundred forty-one dollars  
10 (\$20,298,641). Of said sum, seven million sixty-six thousand three  
11 hundred twelve dollars (\$7,066,312) shall be from the hospital provider  
12 fee cash fund created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised  
13 Statutes, one hundred nine thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars  
14 (\$109,179) shall be from the children's basic health plan trust fund  
15 created in section 25.5-8-105 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, and thirteen  
16 million one hundred twenty-three thousand one hundred fifty dollars  
17 (\$13,123,150) shall be from federal funds.

18 (h) The appropriation to the indigent care program for the  
19 children's basic health plan dental costs is increased by one million  
20 sixteen thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$1,016,820). Of said sum,  
21 three hundred fifty-five thousand eight hundred eighty-seven dollars  
22 (\$355,887) shall be shall be from the hospital provider fee cash fund  
23 created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, and six  
24 hundred sixty thousand nine hundred thirty-three dollars (\$660,933) shall  
25 be from federal funds.

26 (i) The appropriation to the department of human services  
27 medicaid-funded programs, office of information technology services -

1     medicaid funding, Colorado benefits management system, is increased by  
2     one hundred fifty-nine thousand three dollars (\$159,003). Of said sum,  
3     seventy-nine thousand six hundred twelve dollars (\$79,612) shall be from  
4     the hospital provider fee cash fund created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (4),  
5     Colorado Revised Statutes, and seventy-nine thousand three hundred  
6     ninety-one dollars (\$79,391) shall be from federal funds.

7             (2) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the  
8     annual general appropriation act for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
9     2009, to the department of human services for allocation to the office of  
10    information technology services, Colorado benefits management system  
11    is increased by four hundred fifteen thousand ninety-seven dollars  
12    (\$415,097). Of said amount, one hundred seventeen thousand sixty-five  
13    dollars (\$117,065) shall be from the hospital provider fee cash fund  
14    created in section 25.5-402.3 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, one hundred  
15    fifty-nine thousand three dollars (\$159,003) shall be reappropriated funds  
16    transferred from the department of health care policy and financing, and  
17    one hundred thirty-nine thousand and twenty-nine dollars (\$139,029)  
18    shall be from federal funds.

19             **SECTION 12. Appropriation - adjustments to the 2009 long**  
20    **bill.** (1) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the  
21    annual general appropriation act for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
22    2009, to the department of health care policy and financing shall be  
23    adjusted as follows:

24             (a) The appropriation to the executive director's division is  
25    increased by five million one hundred fifty-seven thousand four hundred  
26    fifty dollars (\$5,157,450) and 12.0 FTE. Of said sum, one million eight  
27    hundred fifteen thousand seven hundred twenty-three dollars

1 (\$1,815,723) shall be from general fund and three million three hundred  
2 forty-one thousand seven hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$3,341,727) shall  
3 be from federal funds.

4 (b) The appropriation to the department of human services  
5 medicaid-funded programs, office of information technology services -  
6 medicaid funding, Colorado benefits management system is increased by  
7 one hundred twenty-three thousand two hundred twenty-eight dollars  
8 (\$123,228). Of said sum, sixty-one thousand six hundred fourteen dollars  
9 (\$61,614) shall be general fund and sixty-one thousand six hundred  
10 fourteen dollars (\$61,614) shall be from federal funds.

11 (2) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the  
12 annual general appropriation act for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
13 2009, to the department of human services for allocation to the office of  
14 information technology services, Colorado benefits management system  
15 is increased by three hundred twenty-four thousand two hundred eighty-  
16 two dollars (\$324,282). Of said amount, ninety-two thousand thirty-one  
17 dollars (\$92,031) shall be from the general fund, one hundred twenty-  
18 three thousand two hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$123,228) shall be  
19 reappropriated funds transferred from the department of health care  
20 policy and financing, and one hundred nine thousand and twenty-three  
21 dollars (\$109,023) shall be from federal funds.

22 **SECTION 13. Effective date.** (1) Except as provided in  
23 subsection (2) and (3) of this section, this act shall take effect July 1,  
24 2008.

25 (2) Section 11 of this act shall take effect on April 1, 2009, but  
26 only if, by March 31, 2009, the executive director of the department of  
27 health care policy and financing has submitted written notice to the



1 revisor of statutes that the federal government has approved the waiver  
2 establishing the hospital provider fee created in section 25.5-4-402.3 (3),  
3 Colorado Revised Statutes.

4 (3) Section 12 of this act shall take effect on April 1, 2009, but  
5 only if on or before March 31, 2009, the executive director of the  
6 department of health care policy and financing has not submitted written  
7 notice to the revisor of statutes that the federal government has approved  
8 the waiver establishing the provider fees created in section 25.5-4-402.3  
9 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes.

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