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STATE OF COLORADO**

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**HOUSE BILL 19-1027**

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**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Beckman,**

**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**House Committees**

Public Health Care & Human Services

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING A CLEAN SYRINGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM'S ANNUAL**  
102 **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT MITIGATION PLAN.**

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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://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill requires an agency or nonprofit organization operating a clean syringe exchange program to submit an annual environmental impact mitigation plan (plan) to its county or district board of health detailing:

! The number of syringes received from clean syringe exchange program participants in the previous calendar

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
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- year;
- ! The number of syringes given to clean syringe exchange program participants in the previous calendar year;
- ! The agency's or nonprofit organization's plan to minimize the number of syringes near the clean syringe exchange program location that have not been disposed of safely; and
- ! The agency's or nonprofit organization's plan to minimize the environmental impacts of unsafe or improper syringe disposal.

The county or district must forward the plan to the department of public health and environment (department). The department must compile the information received from all county and district boards of health and report the information to the general assembly during the department's "State Measurement for Accountable, Responsive, and Transparent (SMART) Government Act" hearing.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1-520, **add** (7) as  
 3 follows:

4           **25-1-520. Clean syringe exchange programs - approval -**  
 5 **reporting requirements.** (7) (a) BY FEBRUARY 15, 2021, AND EACH  
 6 FEBRUARY 15 THEREAFTER, AN AGENCY OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION  
 7 OPERATING A CLEAN SYRINGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
 8 THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT MITIGATION  
 9 PLAN TO ITS BOARD. THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT MITIGATION PLAN  
 10 MUST INCLUDE:

11           (I) THE NUMBER OF SYRINGES RECEIVED FROM CLEAN SYRINGE  
 12 EXCHANGE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS IN THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR;

13           (II) THE NUMBER OF SYRINGES GIVEN TO CLEAN SYRINGE  
 14 EXCHANGE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS IN THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR;

15           (III) THE AGENCY'S OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION'S PLAN TO  
 16 MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF SYRINGES NEAR THE CLEAN SYRINGE EXCHANGE  
 17 PROGRAM LOCATION THAT HAVE NOT BEEN DISPOSED OF SAFELY; AND

1 (IV) THE AGENCY'S OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION'S PLAN TO  
2 MINIMIZE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF UNSAFE OR IMPROPER  
3 SYRINGE DISPOSAL.

4 (b) EACH BOARD THAT RECEIVES AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
5 MITIGATION PLAN REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION  
6 SHALL FORWARD THE PLAN TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

7 (c) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT ON THE INFORMATION  
8 RECEIVED FROM EACH BOARD AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S "STATE  
9 MEASUREMENT FOR ACCOUNTABLE, RESPONSIVE, AND TRANSPARENT  
10 (SMART) GOVERNMENT ACT" HEARING REQUIRED BY SECTION 2-7-203.

11 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
12 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
13 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
14 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a  
15 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
16 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
17 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
18 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
19 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
20 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.