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STATE OF COLORADO

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LLS NO. 20-0870.01 Shelby Ross x4510

HOUSE BILL 20-1221

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING AN EXPANSION OF THE COMPLEMENTARY OR  
102 ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE PILOT PROGRAM FOR A PERSON WITH  
103 AN INJURY THAT RESULTS IN PARALYSIS.

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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 complementary or alternative medicine pilot program (pilot program) currently applies to any person with a spinal cord injury. The bill expands the pilot program to include persons with a primary condition of multiple sclerosis, a brain injury, spina bifida, muscular dystrophy, or cerebral palsy and a secondary condition of paralysis. Additionally, an

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

eligible person must reside in either Adams county, Arapahoe county, Boulder county, the city and county of Broomfield, the city and county of Denver, Douglas county, El Paso county, Jefferson county, Larimer county, Pueblo county, or Weld county.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-1303, **amend**  
3 (2)(b) as follows:

4 **25.5-6-1303. Pilot program - complementary or alternative**  
5 **medicine - rules.** (2) (b) In order to qualify and to remain eligible for the  
6 pilot program authorized by this section, a person shall:

7 (I) Be diagnosed with a PRIMARY CONDITION OF A spinal cord  
8 injury, MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS, A BRAIN INJURY, SPINA BIFIDA, MUSCULAR  
9 DYSTROPHY, OR CEREBRAL PALSY AND HAVE A SECONDARY CONDITION OF  
10 PARALYSIS;

11 (II) Be willing to participate in the pilot program;

12 (III) Demonstrate a current need, as further defined in rule by the  
13 state board, for complementary or alternative medicine; ~~and~~

14 (IV) Be eligible for medicaid, including but not limited to persons  
15 ~~whose gross income does not exceed three hundred percent of the current~~  
16 ~~federal supplemental security income benefit level and who are eligible~~  
17 ~~for a home- and community-based program authorized pursuant to this~~  
18 ~~title or the consumer-directed attendant support pilot program authorized~~  
19 ~~pursuant to part 10 of article 6 of this title~~ WHO MEET THE FUNCTIONAL  
20 LEVEL OF CARE AND FINANCIAL CRITERIA DESCRIBED IN RULES  
21 PROMULGATED BY THE STATE BOARD RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE  
22 SERVICES; AND

23 (V) BE A RESIDENT OF ADAMS COUNTY, ARAPAHOE COUNTY,

1 BOULDER COUNTY, THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD, THE CITY AND  
2 COUNTY OF DENVER, DOUGLAS COUNTY, EL PASO COUNTY, JEFFERSON  
3 COUNTY, LARIMER COUNTY, PUEBLO COUNTY, OR WELD COUNTY.

4         **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
5 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
6 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
7 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a  
8 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
9 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
10 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
11 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
12 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
13 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.