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HOUSE BILL 15-1268

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING ESTABLISHING THE CO9To25 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**
102 **COUNCIL.**

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 establishes the CO9To25 youth development council (council). The goal of the council is to improve the health and well-being of youth and young adults across Colorado by uniting and maximizing collective interests and resources. The membership and operational structure of the council shall be determined by the council in accordance with recommendations from the Colorado state youth development plan.

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.*

1 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS:

2 (a) TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL COUNCILS ACROSS THE STATE TO
3 COORDINATE THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS
4 AND TO RECOMMEND BEST PRACTICES FOR SUCH SERVICES TO THE
5 CO9TO25 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL; █

6 (b) TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF AVAILABLE YOUTH AND
7 YOUNG ADULT SERVICES AND ORGANIZATIONS;

8 (c) TO RESEARCH STANDARDS AND SYSTEMIC INDICATORS FOR
9 POSITIVE YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT DEVELOPMENT;

10 (d) TO COORDINATE FUNDING AND PROGRAMMATIC EFFORTS
11 AMONG STATE AGENCIES TO INCREASE THE BLENDING OF EXISTING FUNDS
12 AND REDUCE FRAGMENTATION OF EFFORTS AMONG STATE AGENCIES AND
13 DEPARTMENTS THAT SERVE YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS;

14 (e) TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS AND IDENTIFY GAPS
15 IN SERVICES AMONG STATE AGENCIES AND SERVICE PROVIDERS;

16 (f) TO CREATE A █ QUALITY NETWORK OF YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT,
17 AND ADULT PARTNERSHIPS STATEWIDE THAT WILL █ PROVIDE TRAINING,
18 SUPPORT, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THOSE PARTNERS; AND

19 (g) TO COORDINATE AND COLLABORATE WITH THE EARLY
20 CHILDHOOD COUNCILS ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE 6.5 OF THIS TITLE.

21 **25-47-102. Membership - convening entity.** (1) THE
22 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL MUST INCLUDE PERSONS FROM
23 THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, AND MUST
24 REFLECT THE AGE, ETHNIC, AND GENDER DIVERSITY OF THE STATE.

25 (2) TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, INTERESTED
26 INDIVIDUALS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST TO THE █ EXECUTIVE
27 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT.

1 THERE MUST BE A MINIMUM OF TWENTY MEMBERS ON THE COUNCIL.

2 (3) THE COUNCIL SHALL ESTABLISH ITS OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE
3 AND EXPECTATIONS FOR MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
4 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN THE COLORADO STATE YOUTH
5 DEVELOPMENT PLAN CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-1-111.3.

6 (4) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2015, AND AS NECESSARY
7 THEREAFTER, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
8 HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT MAY DESIGNATE A CONVENING AGENCY TO
9 ASSIST WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COUNCIL. THE CONVENING
10 AGENCY MAY BE A LOCAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.

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 5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2015); 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 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
20 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.