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A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING CHANGES TO IMPROVE THE PROTECTION SERVICES FOR

102 AT-RISK ADULTS.

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.)

Under current law, when an employer is going to hire a person to work in a position in which the person has contact with at-risk adults, the employer must perform a check of the system that contains substantiated claims of mistreatment against an at-risk adult (CAPS check). The bill makes various clarifying changes to the adult protection statutes related to the CAPS check program.

The bill states that if an employer receives a CAPS check on a person and does not hire the person at the time of receiving the check but wants to hire the person at a subsequent time, the employer shall request a new CAPS check prior to hiring the person. The bill requires that if the employer is also an employee, the employer and employer's parent or oversight agency would get the results if the employer was a substantiated perpetrator. The bill prohibits using a CAPS check request for a person who is not going to be an employee. The bill prohibits an employee or volunteers from knowingly providing inaccurate information for a CAPS check or an employer or other person or entity conducting an employee screening on behalf of the employer from knowingly providing inaccurate information in the request for a CAPS check.

The bill requires entities that care for at-risk adults to cooperate with a county or district department of human or social services in investigations into allegations of mistreatment at the entities' facilities.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-3.1-101, amend 3 (1)(c), (2)(a), (4) introductory portion, (4)(a), (4)(b), (6), (7)(c), (7)(d), 4 and (9); **repeal** (7)(e) and (8); and **add** (5.5) as follows: 5 **26-3.1-101. Definitions.** As used in this article 3.1, unless the 6 context otherwise requires: 7 (1) "Abuse" means any of the following acts or omissions 8 committed against an at-risk adult: 9 (c) Subjection to sexual conduct or contact classified as a crime 10 under the "Colorado Criminal Code", title 18, C.R.S. UNLAWFUL SEXUAL 11 BEHAVIOR AS DEFINED IN SECTION 16-22-102 (9). (2) "Caretaker" means a person who: 12 13 (a) Is responsible for the care of an at-risk adult as a result of a 14 family or legal relationship; OR (4) "Exploitation" means an act or omission committed by a 15 16 person that: 17 (a) Uses deception, harassment, intimidation, or undue influence

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1	to permanently or temporarily deprive an at-risk adult of the use, benefit,
2	or possession of any thing of value; OR
3	(b) Employs the services of a third party for the profit or
4	advantage of the person or another person to the detriment of the at-risk
5	adult; OR
6	(5.5) "HARMFUL ACT" MEANS AN ACT COMMITTED AGAINST AN
7	AT-RISK ADULT BY A PERSON WITH A RELATIONSHIP TO THE AT-RISK
8	ADULT WHEN SUCH ACT IS NOT DEFINED AS ABUSE, CARETAKER NEGLECT,
9	OR EXPLOITATION BUT CAUSES HARM TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR
10	WELFARE OF AN AT-RISK ADULT.
11	(6) "Least restrictive intervention" means acquiring or providing
12	services, including protective services, for the shortest duration and to the
13	minimum extent necessary to remedy or prevent situations of actual
14	mistreatment OR self-neglect. or exploitation.
15	(7) "Mistreatment" means:
16	(c) Exploitation; OR
17	(d) An act or omission that threatens the health, safety, or welfare
18	of an at-risk adult; or A HARMFUL ACT.
19	(e) An act or omission that exposes an at-risk adult to a situation
20	or condition that poses an imminent risk of bodily injury to the at-risk
21	adult.
22	(8) "Person" means one or more individuals, limited liability
23	companies, partnerships, associations, corporations, legal representatives,
24	trustees, receivers, or the state of Colorado, and all political subdivisions
25	and agencies thereof.
26	(9) "Protective services" means services provided by the state or
27	political subdivisions or agencies thereof in order to prevent the

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mistreatment OR self-neglect or exploitation of an at-risk adult. Such services include, but are not limited to: Receiving and investigating reports of mistreatment, self-neglect, or exploitation, Providing casework and counseling services and arranging for, coordinating, delivering where appropriate, and monitoring services, including medical care for physical or mental health needs, protection from mistreatment AND SELF-NEGLECT, assistance with application for public benefits, referral to community service providers, and initiation of probate proceedings.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-3.1-102, **amend** (1)(a), (1)(c), (3), (7)(a), (7)(b) introductory portion, and (7)(b)(I); and **add** (7)(b)(IX) as follows:

26-3.1-102. Reporting requirements. (1) (a) A person specified in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION who observes the mistreatment or self-neglect of an at-risk adult or who has reasonable cause to believe that an at-risk adult has been mistreated or is self-neglecting and OR is at imminent risk of mistreatment or self-neglect is urged to report such fact to a county department not more than twenty-four hours after making the observation or discovery.

(c) In addition to those persons urged by this subsection (1) to report known or suspected mistreatment or self-neglect of an at-risk adult and circumstances or conditions that might reasonably result in mistreatment or self-neglect, any other person may report such known or suspected mistreatment or self-neglect and circumstances or conditions that might reasonably result in mistreatment or self-neglect of an at-risk adult to the local law enforcement agency or the county department. Upon receipt of such report, the receiving agency shall prepare a written report within forty-eight TWENTY-FOUR hours.

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(3) A copy of the WRITTEN report prepared by the county department in accordance with subsections (1) and (2) of this section THAT INCLUDES AN ALLEGATION OF MISTREATMENT shall MUST be forwarded within twenty-four hours AFTER RECEIPT OF THE REPORT to a local law enforcement agency. A WRITTEN report prepared by a local law enforcement agency shall MUST be forwarded within twenty-four hours AFTER RECEIPT OF THE REPORT to the county department.

- (7) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection (7) SUBSECTION (7)(b) OF THIS SECTION, reports of the mistreatment or self-neglect of an at-risk adult, including the name and address of any at-risk adult, member of said adult's family, or informant, or any other identifying information contained in such reports AND SUBSEQUENT CASES RESULTING FROM THE REPORTS, is confidential and is not public information.
- (b) Disclosure of a report of the mistreatment or self-neglect of an at-risk adult and information relating to an investigation of such a report AND SUBSEQUENT CASES RESULTING FROM THE REPORT is permitted only when authorized by a court for good cause. A court order is not required, and such disclosure is not prohibited when:
- (I) A criminal investigation into an allegation of mistreatment is being conducted, when a review of death by a coroner is being conducted when the death is suspected to be related to mistreatment, or when a criminal complaint, information, or indictment based on the report is filed and the report and case information is relevant to the investigation, death review, complaint, or indictment;
- (IX) THE DISCLOSURE IS MADE TO AN EMPLOYER REQUIRED TO

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1	REQUEST A CAPS CHECK PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-3.1-111 OR TO THE
2	STATE DEPARTMENT AGENCY THAT OVERSEES THE EMPLOYER WHEN THE
3	INFORMATION IS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF OTHER AT-RISK
4	ADULTS UNDER THE CARE OF THE EMPLOYER. THE INFORMATION MUST BE
5	THE MINIMUM INFORMATION NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF
6	OTHER AT-RISK ADULTS UNDER THE CARE OF THE EMPLOYER OR
7	OVERSIGHT OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT AGENCY.
8	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-3.1-103, amend
9	(1); and add (1.3) as follows:
10	26-3.1-103. Evaluations - investigations - training - rules.
11	(1) The agency receiving a report of mistreatment or self-neglect of an
12	at-risk adult shall immediately make a thorough evaluation of the reported
13	level of risk. The immediate concern of the evaluation is the protection
14	of the at-risk adult. The evaluation, at a minimum, must include a
15	determination of a response time frame and whether THE REPORT MEETS
16	THE CRITERIA FOR an investigation of the allegations is required
17	PURSUANT TO STATE DEPARTMENT RULE. If a county department
18	determines that an investigation is required, the county department is
19	responsible for ensuring an investigation is conducted and arranging for
20	the subsequent provision of protective services to be conducted by
21	persons trained to conduct such investigations and provide protective
22	services.
23	(1.3) (a) PURSUANT TO STATE DEPARTMENT RULE, EACH
24	EMPLOYER AS DEFINED BY SECTION 26-3.1-111 (7) SHALL PROVIDE, UPON
25	REQUEST OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT, ACCESS TO CONDUCT AN
26	INVESTIGATION INTO AN ALLEGATION OF MISTREATMENT. ACCESS MUST
27	INCLUDE THE ABILITY TO REQUEST INTERVIEWS WITH RELEVANT PERSONS

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1	AND TO OBTAIN DOCUMENTS AND OTHER EVIDENCE AND HAVE ACCESS TO:
2	(I) PATIENTS WHO ARE THE SUBJECT OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO
3	MISTREATMENT OF AN AT-RISK ADULT AND PATIENTS WHO ARE RELEVANT
4	TO AN INVESTIGATION INTO AN ALLEGATION OF MISTREATMENT OF AN
5	AT-RISK ADULT;
6	(II) PERSONNEL, INCLUDING PAID EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS,
7	VOLUNTEERS, AND INTERNS, WHO ARE RELEVANT TO THE
8	INVESTIGATION;
9	(III) CLIENTS OR RESIDENTS WHO ARE THE SUBJECT OF THE
10	INVESTIGATION INTO MISTREATMENT OF AN AT-RISK ADULT AND CLIENTS
11	OR RESIDENTS WHO ARE RELEVANT TO AN INVESTIGATION INTO AN
12	ALLEGATION OF MISTREATMENT OF AN AT-RISK ADULT; AND
13	(IV) INDIVIDUAL PATIENT, RESIDENT, CLIENT, OR CONSUMER
14	RECORDS, INCLUDING DISCLOSURE OF HEALTH RECORDS OR INCIDENT AND
15	INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS, CARE AND BEHAVIORAL PLANS, STAFF
16	SCHEDULES AND TIME SHEETS, AND PHOTOS AND OTHER TECHNOLOGICAL
17	EVIDENCE.
18	(b) THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND ITS EMPLOYEES SHALL COMPLY
19	WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAWS RELATED TO THE PRIVACY OF
20	INFORMATION WHEN REQUESTING OR OBTAINING DOCUMENTS PURSUANT
21	TO THIS SUBSECTION (1.3) .
22	(c) COUNTY DEPARTMENT STAFF CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION
23	PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENTER THE PREMISES OF
24	ANY EMPLOYER AS DEFINED BY SECTION 26-3.1-111 (7) AS NECESSARY TO
25	COMPLETE A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION. COUNTY DEPARTMENT STAFF
26	SHALL IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AND THE PURPOSE OF THE INVESTIGATION
27	TO THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE ENTITY AT THE TIME OF ENTRY.

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2	(d) Attorneys at law providing legal assistance to
3	INDIVIDUALS PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT WITH AN AREA AGENCY ON
4	AGING, THE STAFF OF SUCH ATTORNEYS AT LAW, AND THE LONG-TERM
5	CARE OMBUDSMAN ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
6	SECTION.
7	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-3.1-108, amend
8	(2) introductory portion and (2)(c); and repeal (3) as follows:
9	26-3.1-108. Notice of report - appeals - rules. (2) In addition to
10	rules promulgated pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the state
11	department shall promulgate rules to establish a process at the state level
12	by which a person who is substantiated in a case of mistreatment of an
13	at-risk adult may appeal the finding to the state department. At a
14	minimum, the rules promulgated pursuant to this subsection (2) shall
15	MUST address the following:
16	(c) A requirement for and procedures to facilitate the
17	expungement of and prevention of the release of any information
18	contained in CAPS records for purposes of a CAPS check related to a
19	person who is substantiated in a case of mistreatment of an at-risk adult
20	that existed prior to May 31, 2017 JULY 1, 2018; except that the state
21	department and county departments may maintain such information in
22	CAPS to assist in future risk and safety assessments.
23	(3) A county department is not required to provide notice to a
24	person of a finding of a substantiated case of mistreatment of an at-risk
25	adult until CAPS is capable of automatically generating the notice
26	required pursuant to state department rules.
27	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 26-3.1-109

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as follows:

26-3.1-109. Limitation. Nothing in this article shall be construed
to mean ARTICLE 3.1 MEANS that a person is mistreated neglected,
exploited, OR SELF-NEGLECTING or in need of emergency or protective
services for the sole reason that he or she is being furnished or relies upon
treatment by spiritual means through prayer alone in accordance with the
tenets and practices of that person's recognized church or religious
denomination, nor shall DOES anything in this article be construed to
ARTICLE 3.1 authorize, permit, or require any medical care or treatment
in contravention of the stated or implied objection of such a person.
SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-3.1-111, amend
(1), (6)(a)(I), (7)(h), (7)(i), and (10); and add (6)(a)(III), (6)(a)(IV),
(6)(e.3), (6)(e.7), and (7)(j) as follows:
26-3.1-111. Access to CAPS - employment checks -
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REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN EMPLOYERS COOPERATE WITH, AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS DURING COUNTY INVESTIGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT OF AT-RISK ADULTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-3.1-103 (1.3).

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(6) (a) (I) On and after January 1, 2019, prior to hiring or contracting with an employee who will provide direct care to an at-risk adult, an employer described in subsection (7) of this section shall request a CAPS check by the state department pursuant to this section to determine if the person is substantiated in a case of mistreatment of an at-risk adult. Within ten days after the date of the employer's request, if the employee was substantiated in a case of mistreatment of an at-risk adult, unless the finding was expunged through a successful appeal to the state department, the state department shall provide the employer with information concerning the mistreatment through electronic means, or other means if requested by the employer, including the date OF the mistreatment was reported SUBSTANTIATED FINDING, the type of mistreatment reported, and the county that investigated the report of mistreatment. If AN EMPLOYER RECEIVES A CAPS CHECK ON A PERSON AND DOES NOT INITIATE THE HIRING PROCESS AT THE TIME OF RECEIVING THE CHECK BUT WANTS TO HIRE THE PERSON AT A SUBSEQUENT TIME THAT IS MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS FROM RECEIPT OF THE PRIOR CAPS CHECK RESULTS, THE EMPLOYER SHALL REQUEST A NEW CAPS CHECK PRIOR TO HIRING THE PERSON PURSUANT TO STATE DEPARTMENT RULES.

(III) IF THE EMPLOYER IS ALSO AN EMPLOYEE OR VOLUNTEER, THE EMPLOYER SHALL REQUEST THE CAPS CHECK ON HIMSELF OR HERSELF. IF THE EMPLOYEE OR VOLUNTEER IS DETERMINED DURING EITHER THE INITIAL CAPS CHECK OR SUBSEQUENTLY AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (10)

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2	BOTH THE EMPLOYER AND THE EMPLOYER'S PARENT COMPANY OR
3	OVERSIGHT AGENCY SHALL RECEIVE THE CAPS CHECK RESULTS.
4	(IV) AN EMPLOYER DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (7) OF THIS SECTION
5	OR A PERSON MAY REQUEST A CAPS CHECK BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT
6	PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ON A VOLUNTEER WHO WILL PROVIDE DIRECT
7	CARE TO AN AT-RISK ADULT TO DETERMINE IF THE VOLUNTEER IS
8	SUBSTANTIATED IN A CASE OF MISTREATMENT OF AN AT-RISK ADULT. THE
9	VOLUNTEER SHALL PROVIDE TO THE EMPLOYER WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION
10	AND ANY REQUIRED IDENTIFYING INFORMATION NECESSARY TO CONDUCT
11	A CAPS CHECK PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. WITHIN TENDAYS AFTER THE
12	DATE OF THE EMPLOYER'S REQUEST, IF THE VOLUNTEER WAS
13	SUBSTANTIATED IN A CASE OF MISTREATMENT OF AN AT-RISK ADULT,
14	UNLESS THE FINDING WAS EXPUNGED THROUGH A SUCCESSFUL APPEAL TO
15	THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE THE
16	EMPLOYER WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE MISTREATMENT
17	THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS, OR OTHER MEANS IF REQUESTED BY THE
18	EMPLOYER, INCLUDING THE DATE OF THE SUBSTANTIATED FINDING, THE
19	TYPE OF MISTREATMENT REPORTED, AND THE COUNTY THAT
20	INVESTIGATED THE REPORT OF MISTREATMENT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS
21	SUBSECTION (6)(a)(IV), "EMPLOYER" INCLUDES A PERSON OR ENTITY
22	CONDUCTING VOLUNTEER SCREENING ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYER. THE
23	PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS $(6)(d)$, $(6)(e)$, $(6)(e.3)$, AND $(6)(e.7)$ OF THIS
24	SECTION APPLY TO THIS SUBSECTION (6)(a)(IV).
25	(e.3) ANY PERSON WHO REQUESTS A CAPS CHECK FOR A PERSON
26	WHO IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OR VOLUNTEER OR NOT BEING CONSIDERED FOR
27	EMPLOYMENT OR WHO IS NOT A CARE PROVIDER OR BEING CONSIDERED AS

OF THIS SECTION TO HAVE A SUBSTANTIATED FINDING OF MISTREATMENT,

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2	SUPPORT SERVICES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10 OF TITLE 25.5 COMMITS A
3	CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL BE PUNISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION
4	18-1.3-501.
5	(e.7) AN EMPLOYEE WHO KNOWINGLY PROVIDES INACCURATE
6	INFORMATION TO HIS OR HER EMPLOYER FOR A CAPS CHECK, OR AN
7	EMPLOYER OR OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY CONDUCTING AN EMPLOYEE
8	SCREENING ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYER THAT KNOWINGLY PROVIDES
9	INACCURATE INFORMATION IN THE REQUEST FOR A CAPS CHECK,
10	COMMITS A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL BE PUNISHED PURSUANT TO
11	SECTION 18-1.3-501.
12	(7) The following employers shall request a CAPS check pursuant
13	to this section:
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15	(h) A facility operated by the state department for the care and
16	treatment of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities
17	pursuant to article 10.5 of title 27; and
18	(i) Veterans community living centers operated pursuant to article
19	12 of this title 26; AND
20	(j) THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP PURSUANT TO SECTION
21	13-94-105 (6).
22	(10) The state department shall review the feasibility and cost of
23	including a feature in CAPS that would provide notification to an THE
24	employer if a substantiated finding of mistreatment by an employee is
24	empreyer is a successful and a mission of an empreyee is
25	subsequently entered into CAPS. If it is feasible to include a notification

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I	shall implement the notification feature as part of a CAPS check.
2	SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-14-101, amend
3	the introductory portion and (1) introductory portion as follows:
4	13-14-101. Definitions. For purposes of this article ARTICLE 14,
5	unless the context otherwise requires:
6	(1) "Abuse of the elderly or of an at-risk adult" means
7	mistreatment of a person who is sixty years of age or older or who is an
8	at-risk adult as defined in section 26-3.1-101 (1), C.R.S. SECTION
9	26-3.1-101 (1.5), including but not limited to repeated acts that:
10	SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-94-105, add (6)
11	as follows:
12	$\textbf{13-94-105. Office of public guardianship - duties - report.} \ (6)$
13	PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT, THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP, PURSUANT
14	TO SECTION 25-1.5-103 (1)(a)(I)(A), SHALL SUBMIT THE NAME OF A
15	PERSON HIRED AS A GUARDIAN OR GUARDIAN'S DESIGNEE, AS WELL AS ANY
16	OTHER REQUIRED IDENTIFYING INFORMATION, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
17	HUMAN SERVICES FOR A CHECK OF THE COLORADO ADULT PROTECTIVE
18	SERVICES DATA SYSTEM PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-3.1-111 TO DETERMINE
19	IF THE PERSON IS SUBSTANTIATED IN A CASE OF MISTREATMENT OF AN
20	AT-RISK ADULT.
21	SECTION 9. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-3-102, amend
22	(1)(c) as follows:
23	25-3-102. License - application - issuance - certificate of
24	compliance required - rules - repeal. (1) (c) The department shall issue
25	licenses to applicants furnishing satisfactory evidence of fitness to
26	conduct and maintain a health facility described in section 25-3-101 in
27	accordance with this part 1 and the rules adopted by the department. The

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1	department shall not require, as satisfactory evidence of fitness, evidence
2	as to whether an applicant has provided self declarations, affidavits, or
3	other attestations as to its general compliance with statutory or regulatory
4	licensing requirements. The department shall determine an applicant's
5	fitness solely based on the specific fitness information or documentation
6	submitted by the applicant upon the department's request or as otherwise
7	acquired by the department through its own review or investigation of the
8	applicant. The department may require the applicant to attest to the
9	accuracy of the information provided as long as the attestation does not
10	require the applicant's affirmation of its general compliance with statutory
11	or regulatory licensing requirements. CAPS CHECK INFORMATION
12	PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-3.1-111 (6)(a)(III) MAY BE CONSIDERED PART
13	OF AN APPLICANT'S EVIDENCE OF FITNESS. THE BOARD MAY PROMULGATE
14	RULES AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBSECTION (1)(c).
15	SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-10-202,
16	amend (1)(c), (15.5) introductory portion, (29.5)(c) and (29.5)(d); add
17	(18.5); and repeal (29.5)(e) as follows:
18	25.5-10-202. Definitions. As used in this article 10, unless the
19	context otherwise requires:
20	(1) "Abuse" means any of the following acts or omissions
21	committed against a person with an intellectual and developmental
22	disability:
23	(c) Subjection to sexual conduct or contact classified as a crime
24	under the "Colorado Criminal Code", title 18, C.R.S. UNLAWFUL SEXUAL
25	BEHAVIOR AS DEFINED IN SECTION 16-22-102 (9).
26	(15.5) "Exploitation" means an act or omission committed by a
27	person who THAT:

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1	(18.5) "HARMFUL ACT" MEANS AN ACT COMMITTED AGAINST A
2	PERSON WITH AN INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY BY A
3	PERSON WITH A RELATIONSHIP TO THE PERSON WITH AN INTELLECTUAL
4	AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY WHEN SUCH ACT IS NOT DEFINED AS
5	ABUSE, CARETAKER NEGLECT, OR EXPLOITATION BUT CAUSES HARM TO
6	THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE OF A PERSON WITH AN INTELLECTUAL
7	AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY.
8	(29.5) "Mistreated" or "mistreatment" means:
9	(c) Exploitation; OR
10	(d) An act or omission that threatens the health, safety, or welfare
11	of a person with an intellectual and developmental disability; or A
12	HARMFUL ACT.
13	(e) An act or omission that exposes a person with an intellectual
14	and developmental disability to a situation or condition that poses an
15	imminent risk of bodily injury to the person with an intellectual and
16	developmental disability.
17	SECTION 11. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
18	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
19	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
20	5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a
21	referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
22	state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
23	within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
24	unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
25	November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
26	official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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