

**First Regular Session  
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STATE OF COLORADO**

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**SENATE BILL 19-031**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE COMPOSITION OF THE CHILD WELFARE**  
102 **ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE.**

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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 increases the number of members on the child welfare allocations committee (committee) who are appointed by county commissioners from 8 to 10. The bill decreases the number of members on the committee who are appointed by the department of human services from 5 to 3. The bill requires the 2 additional county-commissioner-appointed members to come from the 2 counties

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
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with the greatest percentage of the state's child welfare caseload, with one appointee coming from each 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, 26-5-103.5, **amend**  
3 (2)(a) and (2)(c); **repeal** (2)(b); and **add** (2)(e) as follows:

4 **26-5-103.5. Child welfare allocations committee - organization**  
5 **- advisory duties - funding model - allocations model - definitions.**

6 (2) (a) The committee consists of thirteen members, ~~eight~~ TEN of whom  
7 must be appointed by county commissioners and ~~five~~ THREE of whom  
8 must be appointed by the state department.

9 ~~(b) Of the members appointed by the state department, at least two~~  
10 ~~members must be representatives from the two counties in the state with~~  
11 ~~the greatest percentage of the state's child welfare caseload.~~

12 (c) Of the ~~appointments made~~ MEMBERS APPOINTED by county  
13 commissioners, only one representative per county may serve on the  
14 committee at the same time, and:

15 (I) One MEMBER must be appointed by the COUNTY commissioners  
16 of each of the following regions, as those regions are defined in  
17 subsection (2)(d) of this section:

- 18 (A) The eastern region;
- 19 (B) The front range region;
- 20 (C) The mountain region;
- 21 (D) The southern region; and
- 22 (E) The western region; ~~and~~

23 (II) Three MEMBERS must be at-large appointments. Of the three  
24 at-large appointments, two MEMBERS must be appointed by the COUNTY  
25 commissioners of the counties described in section 26-5-104 (4)(b)(I),

1 and one must be appointed by the COUNTY commissioners who represent  
2 the counties described in section 26-5-104 (4)(b)(II); AND

3 (III) TWO MEMBERS MUST BE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE TWO  
4 COUNTIES IN THE STATE WITH THE GREATEST PERCENTAGE OF THE STATE'S  
5 CHILD WELFARE CASELOAD. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THE TWO  
6 COUNTIES WITH THE GREATEST PERCENTAGE OF THE STATE'S CHILD  
7 WELFARE CASELOAD SHALL EACH APPOINT ONE MEMBER FROM THEIR  
8 COUNTIES TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE.

9 (e) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2), "COUNTY COMMISSIONERS"  
10 MEANS:

11 (I) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN EACH COUNTY;

12 (II) IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, THE DEPARTMENT OR  
13 AGENCY WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND WELFARE  
14 ACTIVITIES; AND

15 (III) IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD, THE CITY COUNCIL  
16 OR A BOARD OR COMMISSION APPOINTED BY THE CITY AND COUNTY OF  
17 BROOMFIELD.

18 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
19 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
20 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.