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SENATE BILL 19-075

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE DISPLAY OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION IN THE**
102 **STATE CAPITOL BUILDING.**

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 the state archivist to develop and implement a plan to provide a permanent public display of the original Colorado constitution in the state capitol building. The plan must be approved by the capitol building advisory committee and the capital development committee. State archives would be responsible for constructing and maintaining the display as well as protecting and preserving the state

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constitution itself. State archives would have the authority to accept bequests, gifts, or grants in addition to any appropriations for the display.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-80-116 as
3 follows:

4 **24-80-116. Display of original state constitution in state capitol.**

5 (1) THE STATE ARCHIVIST SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO
6 PROVIDE A PERMANENT PUBLIC DISPLAY OF THE ORIGINAL DRAFT OF THE
7 COLORADO CONSTITUTION INSIDE THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING. THE
8 STATE ARCHIVIST SHALL SUBMIT THE PLAN, NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1,
9 2020, TO THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE
10 CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FOR EVALUATION AND APPROVAL IN
11 ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES FOR PLACING OTHER
12 DISPLAYS WITHIN THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING PURSUANT TO SECTION
13 24-82-108 (3)(h). THE DISPLAY MAY INCLUDE OTHER OBJECTS AND
14 EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS RELATED TO THE ADOPTION AND HISTORY OF
15 THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION.

16 (2) THE STATE ARCHIVES:

17 (a) SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE
18 OF THE DISPLAY;

19 (b) REMAINS THE LEGAL CUSTODIAN OF THE COLORADO
20 CONSTITUTION AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTINUING PROTECTION
21 AND PRESERVATION OF THE DOCUMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
22 24-80-106;

23 (c) HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ALLOW THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION
24 TO BE REMOVED PERIODICALLY FROM THE DISPLAY FOR RESTORATION
25 PURPOSES OR TO MAKE IT AVAILABLE FOR OCCASIONAL TEMPORARY

1 MUSEUM OR OTHER APPROPRIATE SECURE DISPLAYS; AND

2 (d) HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY BEQUESTS,
3 GIFTS, OR GRANTS OF ANY KIND FROM ANY PRIVATE SOURCE OR FROM ANY
4 GOVERNMENTAL UNIT, IN ADDITION TO ANY APPROPRIATIONS, FOR THE
5 PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING THIS SECTION.

6 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
7 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
8 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
9 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a
10 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
11 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
12 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
13 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
14 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
15 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.