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**SENATE BILL 14-133** 

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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS BY THE

102 **DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.** 

#### **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 <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries</u>.)

Under the current "Private Investigators Voluntary Licensure Act" (voluntary act), a private investigator, at his or her option, may apply for a license from the division of professions and occupations (division) in the department of regulatory agencies and, upon satisfaction of the criteria for licensure, the director of the division is to issue a license to the private investigator. Only a person who obtains a license from the division may refer to himself or herself as a licensed private investigator, but no private investigator is required to be licensed by the division.

The bill repeals the voluntary licensure program and creates the "Private Investigators Licensure Act", which establishes a new mandatory licensure program under which all persons conducting private investigations in this state must obtain a license from the division starting June 1, 2015. The definition of "private investigation", as it was defined under the voluntary act, is expanded to include investigations pertaining to the following:

- The location or recovery of lost or stolen property;
- ! The affiliation, connection, or relationship of any person, firm, or corporation with any organization, society, or association or with any official, representative, or member of an organization, society, or association;
- ! The conduct, honesty, efficiency, loyalty, or activities of employees, persons seeking employment, agents, contractors, or subcontractors; and
- ! The identity or apprehension of persons suspected of crimes or misdemeanors.

Under the mandatory licensure program, an applicant may apply for one of 2 types of licenses as follows:

- Level I private investigator license, which requires the applicant to be at least 21 years of age, be lawfully present in the United States, and pass a jurisprudence examination to demonstrate his or her knowledge and understanding of laws and rules applicable to the practice; or
- ! Level II private investigator license, which requires the applicant to satisfy the requirements applicable to a level I license and have an amount of verifiable, applicable experience as determined by the director.

All private investigator licensees must pass a fingerprint-based background check.

The bill continues the exemptions authorized in the voluntary act and further exempts certain professionals, agencies, and activities from the act, including:

- Collection and consumer reporting agencies;
- ! Certified peace officers;
- ! Government-employed investigators;
- ! An accountant, certified fraud examiner, or employee or independent contractor of an accountant or fraud examiner who conducts forensic accounting, fraud investigations, or related analysis of financial transactions using information publicly available or supplied to the person;
- ! A person serving process in accordance with rules of civil

procedure or performing tasks associated with effecting service of process;

- ! A licensed attorney, an employee of a licensed attorney, or a person providing paralegal services under contract with a licensed attorney;
- ! A person recovering a fugitive; and
- ! An agency, and its owner, employee, or independent contractor acting for the agency, that is conducting an investigation of a fire or explosion or an engineer-led investigation for cause analysis and failure analysis.

Licensees are required to post a surety bond in an amount determined by the director by rule. The bill establishes grounds for disciplining licensees, the methods of discipline available to the director, and disciplinary procedure.

The director is authorized to consult with stakeholders to obtain feedback and recommendations concerning the regulation of private investigators and the impacts of new technology on privacy. The director is also granted rule-making authority to implement and administer the act.

The "Private Investigators Licensure Act" and the functions of the director under the act are subject to repeal on September 1, 2020, and prior to the repeal, the department of regulatory agencies is required to conduct a sunset review of the act.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal and reenact,
3	with amendments, article 58.5 of title 12 as follows:
4	ARTICLE 58.5
5	<b>Private Investigators</b>
6	12-58.5-101. [Formerly 12-58.5-101] Short title. THIS ARTICLE
7	SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE CITED AS THE "PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS
8	LICENSURE ACT".
9	12-58.5-102. [Formerly 12-58.5-102] Legislative declaration.
10	THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS THAT IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE
11	CITIZENS OF THE STATE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO CREATE A LICENSURE
12	PROGRAM TO REQUIRE PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS TO OBTAIN A
13	STATE-ISSUED LICENSE TO CONDUCT PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS

1 STATE.

2 12-58.5-103. [Formerly 12-58.5-103] Definitions. AS USED IN 3 THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES: 4 (1) "APPLICANT" MEANS A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR WHO APPLIES 5 FOR AN INITIAL OR RENEWAL LICENSE PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE. 6 (2) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OR THE 7 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE. 8 (3) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND 9 OCCUPATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES. 10 (4) "LICENSEE" MEANS A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR LICENSED BY THE 11 DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE AS A LEVEL I OR LEVEL II PRIVATE 12 INVESTIGATOR. 13 "PRIVATE INVESTIGATION" MEANS UNDERTAKING AN (5)14 INVESTIGATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING INFORMATION FOR 15 OTHERS PERTAINING TO: 16 (a) A CRIME, WRONGFUL ACT, OR THREAT AGAINST THE UNITED 17 STATES OR ANY STATE OR TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES; 18 (b) THE IDENTITY, REPUTATION, CHARACTER, HABITS, CONDUCT, 19 BUSINESS OCCUPATION, HONESTY, INTEGRITY, CREDIBILITY, KNOWLEDGE, 20 TRUSTWORTHINESS, EFFICIENCY, LOYALTY, ACTIVITY, MOVEMENTS, 21 WHEREABOUTS, AFFILIATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, OR TRANSACTIONS OF A 22 PERSON, GROUP OF PERSONS, OR ORGANIZATION; 23 (c) THE CREDIBILITY OF WITNESSES OR OTHER PERSONS; 24 (d) THE WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING PERSONS; 25 THE DETERMINATION OF THE OWNERS OF ABANDONED (e) 26 PROPERTY; 27 (f) THE CAUSES AND ORIGIN OF, OR RESPONSIBILITY FOR, LIBEL,

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SLANDER, A LOSS, AN ACCIDENT, DAMAGE, OR AN INJURY TO A PERSON OR
 TO REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY;

3 (g) THE BUSINESS OF SECURING EVIDENCE TO BE USED BEFORE AN
4 INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE, BOARD OF AWARD OR ARBITRATION,
5 ADMINISTRATIVE BODY, OR OFFICER OR IN THE PREPARATION FOR OR IN A
6 CIVIL OR CRIMINAL TRIAL;

7 (h) THE BUSINESS OF LOCATING PERSONS WHO HAVE BECOME
8 DELINQUENT IN THEIR LAWFUL DEBTS, WHEN THE PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR
9 LOCATING THE DEBTOR IS HIRED BY AN INDIVIDUAL OR COLLECTION
10 AGENCY;

(i) THE LOCATION OR RECOVERY OF LOST OR STOLEN PROPERTY;
(j) THE AFFILIATION, CONNECTION, OR RELATIONSHIP OF ANY
PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION WITH ANY ORGANIZATION, SOCIETY, OR
ASSOCIATION OR WITH ANY OFFICIAL, REPRESENTATIVE, OR MEMBER OF AN
ORGANIZATION, SOCIETY, OR ASSOCIATION;

16 (k) THE CONDUCT, HONESTY, EFFICIENCY, LOYALTY, OR ACTIVITIES
17 OF EMPLOYEES, PERSONS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT, AGENTS, CONTRACTORS,
18 OR SUBCONTRACTORS; OR

19 (1) THE IDENTITY OR APPREHENSION OF PERSONS SUSPECTED OF20 CRIMES OR MISDEMEANORS.

(6) "PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR" OR "PRIVATE DETECTIVE" MEANS A
NATURAL PERSON WHO, FOR A FEE, REWARD, COMPENSATION, OR OTHER
CONSIDERATION, ENGAGES IN BUSINESS OR ACCEPTS EMPLOYMENT TO
CONDUCT PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS.

12-58.5-104. [Formerly 12-58.5-104] Licensure - title
 protection - unauthorized practice - penalty - repeal. (1) (a) By JUNE
 1,2015, A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR CONDUCTING PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS

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IN THIS STATE IS REQUIRED TO MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN
 SECTION 12-58.5-106 AND TO OBTAIN A LICENSE FROM THE DIRECTOR.

3 (b) ONLY A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR WHO OBTAINS A LICENSE
4 PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-58.5-106 MAY PRESENT HIMSELF OR HERSELF AS
5 OR USE THE TITLE OF A "LICENSED PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR", "PRIVATE
6 INVESTIGATOR", "LICENSED PRIVATE DETECTIVE", OR "PRIVATE
7 DETECTIVE".

8 (c) (I) IF A VOLUNTARY LICENSE IS ISSUED OR RENEWED ON OR 9 AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2013, BUT PRIOR TO THE REPEAL AND RENACTMENT 10 OF THIS ARTICLE IN 2014, THE VOLUNTARY LICENSE EXPIRES ON THE 11 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c), AND THE DIVISION SHALL 12 REFUND THE PORTION OF THE VOLUNTARY LICENSE FEE PAID THAT IS 13 ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE LICENSE PERIOD FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE 14 OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c).

15 (II) THIS PARAGRAPH (c) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31,
2014.

17 (2) ANY PERSON WHO CONDUCTS PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS OR 18 PRESENTS HIMSELF OR HERSELF AS OR USES THE TITLE "PRIVATE 19 INVESTIGATOR", "PRIVATE DETECTIVE", "LICENSED PRIVATE DETECTIVE", 20 OR "LICENSED PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR" WITHOUT AN ACTIVE LICENSE 21 ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE COMMITS A CLASS 2 MISDEMEANOR AND 22 SHALL BE PUNISHED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 18-1.3-501, C.R.S., FOR THE 23 FIRST OFFENSE AND, FOR THE SECOND OR ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, 24 COMMITS A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR AND SHALL BE PUNISHED AS PROVIDED 25 IN SECTION 18-1.3-501, C.R.S.

26 12-58.5-105. [Formerly 12-58.5-103 (6) (b)] Exemptions.
27 (1) THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT APPLY TO:

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(a) A COLLECTION AGENCY OR CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCY, AS
 DEFINED IN SECTION 12-14-103 (2) AND (4.5), RESPECTIVELY;

3 (b) A PERSON CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION ON THE PERSON'S
4 OWN BEHALF, OR AN EMPLOYEE OF AN EMPLOYER CONDUCTING AN
5 INTERNAL INVESTIGATION ON BEHALF OF HIS OR HER EMPLOYER;

6 (c) AN ATTORNEY LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN THIS STATE, AN
7 EMPLOYEE OF A LICENSED ATTORNEY, OR A PERSON UNDER CONTRACT TO
8 PERFORM PARALEGAL SERVICES FOR A LICENSED ATTORNEY;

9 (d) A CERTIFIED PEACE OFFICER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
10 OPERATING IN HIS OR HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY;

11 (e) A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT CERTIFIED OR AUTHORIZED 12 TO PROVIDE ACCOUNTING SERVICES IN THE STATE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 13 2 OF THIS TITLE; AN EMPLOYEE OF A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT; AN 14 EMPLOYEE OR AFFILIATE OF AN ACCOUNTING FIRM REGISTERED PURSUANT 15 TO SECTION 12-2-117; OR AN ACCOUNTANT OR PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT WHO 16 IS NOT REGULATED BY THE STATE, A CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER, OR AN 17 EMPLOYEE OR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR WORKING UNDER THE 18 GUIDANCE OF AN ACCOUNTANT, PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, OR CERTIFIED 19 FRAUD EXAMINER, WHO CONDUCTS FORENSIC ACCOUNTING, FRAUD 20 INVESTIGATIONS, OR OTHER RELATED ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL 21 TRANSACTIONS BASED ON INFORMATION THAT IS EITHER PUBLICLY 22 AVAILABLE OR IS PROVIDED BY CLIENTS OR OTHER THIRD PARTIES;

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(f) AN INVESTIGATOR EMPLOYED OR CONTRACTED BY A PUBLIC OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY;

25 (g) A JOURNALIST OR GENEALOGIST;

26 (h) A PERSON SERVING PROCESS WITHIN THE STATE, PERFORMING
27 HIS OR HER DUTIES IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE COLORADO OR FEDERAL

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1 RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE 2 FOREIGN STATE COURT RULES OR LAWS PERTAINING TO SERVICE OF 3 FOREIGN PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, OR PERFORMING ANY TASK 4 ASSOCIATED WITH EFFECTING SERVICE OF PROCESS, ALL OF WHICH 5 INCLUDE INQUIRIES RELATED TO EFFECTING PROPER SERVICE OF PROCESS 6 AND RESULTING SUPPORTING PROOFS, DECLARATIONS, AFFIDAVITS OF 7 SERVICE, OR DECLARATIONS OR AFFIDAVITS OF DUE DILIGENCE TO 8 SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF SERVICE OF PROCESS; EXCEPT THAT 9 A PROCESS SERVER WHO PERFORMS PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS OUTSIDE THE 10 EFFORTS TO EFFECT SERVICE OF PROCESS IS NOT EXEMPT FROM THE 11 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE AND MUST OBTAIN A LICENSE 12 UNDER THIS ARTICLE IN ORDER TO LAWFULLY PERFORM THOSE PRIVATE 13 **INVESTIGATIONS:** 

(i) A PERSON ATTEMPTING TO RECOVER A FUGITIVE WHEN THAT
PERSON IS A BAIL BONDING AGENT OR CASH-BONDING AGENT QUALIFIED
TO WRITE BAIL BONDS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 23 OF TITLE 10, C.R.S., OR
IS ACTING PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT WITH OR AT THE REQUEST OF A BAIL
BONDING AGENT OR CASH-BONDING AGENT WHO IS SO QUALIFIED;

(j) AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE, OR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR OF AN
AGENCY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE THE ORIGIN AND
CAUSE OF A FIRE OR EXPLOSION;

(k) AN OWNER, EMPLOYEE, OR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR OF AN
AGENCY CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION FOR CAUSE ANALYSIS OR
FAILURE ANALYSIS WHERE THE INVESTIGATION IS CONDUCTED BY AN
ENGINEER LICENSED PURSUANT TO PART 1 OF ARTICLE 25 OF THIS TITLE
ACTING WITHIN HIS OR HER AREA OF EXPERTISE AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
THE PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING; OR

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(1) ANY OTHER PERSON LICENSED UNDER THIS TITLE WHO IS
 PRACTICING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS OR HER PRACTICE AS DEFINED IN
 THIS TITLE.

4 12-58.5-106. [Formerly 12-58.5-105] Private investigator 5 licenses - qualifications - fees - renewal - rules. (1) A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR APPLYING FOR A LICENSE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MUST 6 7 SATISFY THE REOUIREMENTS OF THE PARTICULAR LICENSE FOR WHICH 8 APPLICATION IS MADE. THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE THE FOLLOWING TYPES 9 OF LICENSES TO APPLICANTS WHO, UPON APPLICATION IN THE FORM AND 10 MANNER DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR, PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEE, 11 AND SATISFACTION OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS 12 SECTION, PROVIDE EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE DIRECTOR THAT THE 13 APPLICANT SATISFIES THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE PARTICULAR LICENSE 14 AS FOLLOWS: 15 (a) Level I private investigator license. AN APPLICANT FOR A 16 LEVEL I PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR LICENSE MUST: 17 (I) BE AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE; 18 (II) BE LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE UNITED STATES; AND 19 (III) DEMONSTRATE KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE 20 LAWS AND RULES AFFECTING THE ETHICS AND ACTIVITIES OF PRIVATE 21 INVESTIGATORS IN THIS STATE BY PASSING A JURISPRUDENCE 22 EXAMINATION DEVELOPED AND APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR.

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(b) **Level II private investigator license.** AN APPLICANT FOR A LEVEL II PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR LICENSE MUST:

25 (I) SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A LEVEL I PRIVATE
26 INVESTIGATOR LICENSE; AND

27 (II) HAVE AN AMOUNT OF VERIFIABLE, APPLICABLE EXPERIENCE

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AS A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR OR EQUIVALENT EXPERIENCE WITH A LOCAL,
 STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, MILITARY POLICE, THE
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, OR OTHER EQUIVALENT EXPERIENCE.
 THE DIRECTOR SHALL DETERMINE, BY RULE, THE AMOUNT AND TYPE OF
 EXPERIENCE, WHICH MAY INCLUDE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, AN
 APPLICANT MUST HAVE TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

7 (2) IN ADDITION TO THE REOUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS 8 SECTION, EACH APPLICANT FOR A LEVEL I OR LEVEL II PRIVATE 9 INVESTIGATOR LICENSE MUST HAVE HIS OR HER FINGERPRINTS TAKEN BY 10 A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A 11 FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK. THE APPLICANT 12 IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT PAYMENT BY CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER 13 FOR THE FINGERPRINTS AND FOR THE ACTUAL COSTS OF THE RECORD 14 CHECK AT THE TIME THE FINGERPRINTS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE 15 COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. UPON RECEIPT OF FINGERPRINTS 16 AND RECEIPT OF THE PAYMENT FOR COSTS, THE COLORADO BUREAU OF 17 INVESTIGATION SHALL CONDUCT A STATE AND NATIONAL 18 FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK UTILIZING 19 RECORDS OF THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND THE 20 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND SHALL FORWARD THE RESULTS 21 OF THE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK TO THE DIRECTOR.

(3) [Formerly 12-58.5-105 (4)] AN APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE
UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PAY LICENSE, RENEWAL, AND REINSTATEMENT
FEES ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-34-105,
C.R.S. A LICENSEE MUST RENEW HIS OR HER LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE
WITH A SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION
24-34-102 (8), C.R.S. IF A LICENSEE FAILS TO RENEW HIS OR HER LICENSE

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PURSUANT TO THE SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR, THE
 LICENSE EXPIRES, AND THE PERSON SHALL NOT CONDUCT PRIVATE
 INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS STATE UNTIL THE PERSON PAYS THE APPROPRIATE
 FEES TO REINSTATE THE LICENSE AND THE DIRECTOR REINSTATES THE
 LICENSE. A PERSON WHOSE LICENSE EXPIRES AND WHO CONTINUES TO DO
 BUSINESS AS A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES
 PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE AND SECTION 24-34-102 (8), C.R.S.

8 12-58.5-107. Surety bond required - rules. A LICENSEE SHALL
9 NOT ENGAGE IN PRIVATE INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES UNLESS THE LICENSEE
10 POSTS AND MAINTAINS, OR IS COVERED BY, A SURETY BOND IN AN AMOUNT
11 DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR BY RULE.

12 12-58.5-108. [Formerly 12-58.5-106] Director's powers and
13 duties - consult with stakeholders- rules. (1) THE DIRECTOR MAY
14 CONSULT WITH PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, CONSUMER
15 GROUPS, VICTIM ADVOCACY GROUPS, CIVIL LIBERTIES GROUPS, AND OTHER
16 STAKEHOLDERS TO OBTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS AND FEEDBACK
17 CONCERNING:

18 (a) THE REGULATION OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS;

19 (b) PRIVACY LAWS AND ISSUES, NEW OR CHANGING TECHNOLOGY, 20 AND THE IMPACT OF NEW OR CHANGING TECHNOLOGY ON PRIVACY; AND 21 (c) ANY CONTINUING EDUCATION THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO 22 ENSURE PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS MAINTAIN KNOWLEDGE AND 23 UNDERSTANDING OF LAWS AND RULES AFFECTING THE PRACTICE, 24 PARTICULARLY THOSE CONCERNING PRIVACY ISSUES AND NEW OR 25 CHANGING TECHNOLOGY. IF A STAKEHOLDER GROUP RECOMMENDS THAT 26 CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS BE IMPOSED, NOTHING IN THIS 27 PARAGRAPH (c) ABROGATES THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 24-34-901,

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1 C.R.S., AND THE DIRECTOR IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE, BY RULE OR 2 OTHERWISE, ANY CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS ABSENT AN 3 ENACTMENT OF A BILL IMPOSING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS 4 OR AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH CONTINUING EDUCATION 5 REQUIREMENTS. 6 (2) IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER POWERS AND DUTIES CONFERRED 7 OR IMPOSED UPON THE DIRECTOR BY THIS ARTICLE OR BY ANY OTHER LAW. 8 THE DIRECTOR MAY PROMULGATE RULES PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-103, 9 C.R.S., TO IMPLEMENT THIS ARTICLE, INCLUDING RULES TO: 10 (a) ESTABLISH THE FORM AND MANNER FOR APPLYING FOR A 11 LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE; 12 (b) SPECIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SATISFYING THE EXPERIENCE 13 COMPONENT FOR OBTAINING A LEVEL II PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR LICENSE 14 PURSUANT SECTION 12-58.5-106 (1) (b); 15 (c) DEFINE GENERALLY ACCEPTED STANDARD OF THE PRACTICE OF 16 PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS; 17 (d) SET THE AMOUNT OF THE SURETY BOND REQUIRED BY SECTION 18 12-58.5-107; AND 19 (e) ADDRESS ANY OTHER MATTERS DETERMINED NECESSARY BY 20 THE DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT THIS ARTICLE. 21 12-58.5-109. [Formerly 12-57.5-107] Disciplinary actions -22 grounds for discipline - rules. (1) THE DIRECTOR MAY DENY, SUSPEND, 23 OR REVOKE A LICENSE, PLACE AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE ON PROBATION, 24 OR ISSUE A LETTER OF ADMONITION TO AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE IF THE 25 APPLICANT OR LICENSEE: 26 (a) VIOLATES ANY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR, ANY PROVISION OF 27 THIS ARTICLE, OR ANY RULE ADOPTED UNDER THIS ARTICLE;

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(b) FAILS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 12-58.5-106 OR
 USES FRAUD, MISREPRESENTATION, OR DECEIT IN APPLYING FOR OR
 ATTEMPTING TO APPLY FOR A LICENSE;

4 (c) IS CONVICTED OF OR HAS ENTERED A PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO 5 CONTENDERE TO A FELONY; TO AN OFFENSE, THE UNDERLYING FACTUAL 6 BASIS OF WHICH HAS BEEN FOUND BY THE COURT TO INVOLVE UNLAWFUL 7 SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 8 18-6-800.3 (1), C.R.S., OR STALKING, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 18-3-602, 9 C.R.S.; OR TO VIOLATION OF A PROTECTION ORDER, AS DEFINED IN 10 SECTION 18-6-803.5, C.R.S. IN CONSIDERING THE DISCIPLINARY ACTION, 11 THE DIRECTOR IS GOVERNED BY SECTION 24-5-101, C.R.S., IN 12 CONSIDERING THE CONVICTION OR PLEA.

13 (d) HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE RELATED TO THE PRACTICE 14 OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION. EVIDENCE OF 15 DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION IS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE 16 FOR DENIAL OF A LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION IF THE 17 VIOLATION WOULD BE GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN THIS STATE. 18 COMMITS AN ACT OR OMISSION THAT FAILS TO MEET (e) 19 GENERALLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF THE PRACTICE OF PRIVATE 20 INVESTIGATIONS; OR

21 (f) FAILS TO COMPLY WITH SURETY BOND REQUIREMENTS AS
22 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 12-58.5-107.

(2) THE DIRECTOR MAY ADOPT RULES ESTABLISHING FINES THAT
HE OR SHE MAY IMPOSE ON A LICENSEE. THE RULES MUST INCLUDE A
GRADUATED FINE STRUCTURE, WITH A MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FINE OF NOT
MORE THAN THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER VIOLATION. THE DIRECTOR
SHALL TRANSMIT ANY FINES HE OR SHE COLLECTS FROM A LICENSEE TO

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1 THE STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE GENERAL FUND.

2 (3) THE DIRECTOR NEED NOT FIND THAT THE ACTIONS THAT ARE
3 GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE WERE WILLFUL BUT MAY CONSIDER WHETHER
4 THE ACTIONS WERE WILLFUL WHEN DETERMINING THE NATURE OF
5 DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS TO IMPOSE.

6 (4) THE DIRECTOR MAY COMMENCE A PROCEEDING TO DISCIPLINE
7 A LICENSEE WHEN THE DIRECTOR HAS REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE
8 THAT THE LICENSEE HAS COMMITTED AN ACT ENUMERATED IN THIS
9 SECTION.

10 (5) THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONDUCT DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS
11 IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S. THE DIRECTOR OR AN
12 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO
13 PARAGRAPH (c) OF SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION SHALL CONDUCT THE
14 HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR REVIEW PURSUANT TO THAT ARTICLE.
15 THE DIRECTOR MAY EXERCISE ALL POWERS AND DUTIES CONFERRED BY
16 THIS ARTICLE DURING THE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.

17 (6) (a) THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUEST THAT THE ATTORNEY 18 GENERAL SEEK AN INJUNCTION IN ANY COURT OF COMPETENT 19 JURISDICTION TO ENJOIN A PERSON FROM COMMITTING AN ACT PROHIBITED 20 BY THIS ARTICLE. WHEN SEEKING AN INJUNCTION UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH 21 (a). THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS NOT REOUIRED TO ALLEGE OR PROVE THE 22 INADEQUACY OF ANY REMEDY AT LAW OR THAT SUBSTANTIAL OR 23 IRREPARABLE DAMAGE IS LIKELY TO RESULT FROM A CONTINUED 24 VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE.

(b) (I) THE DIRECTOR MAY INVESTIGATE, HOLD HEARINGS, AND
GATHER EVIDENCE IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE EXERCISE AND
PERFORMANCE OF THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR.

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1 (II)IN ORDER TO AID THE DIRECTOR IN ANY HEARING OR 2 INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR OR 3 AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (c)4 OF THIS SUBSECTION (6) MAY ADMINISTER OATHS, TAKE AFFIRMATIONS OF 5 WITNESSES, AND ISSUE SUBPOENAS COMPELLING THE ATTENDANCE OF 6 WITNESSES AND THE PRODUCTION OF ALL RELEVANT RECORDS, PAPERS, 7 BOOKS, DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE, AND MATERIALS IN ANY HEARING, 8 INVESTIGATION, ACCUSATION, OR OTHER MATTER BEFORE THE DIRECTOR 9 OR AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE.

10 (III) UPON FAILURE OF ANY WITNESS OR LICENSEE TO COMPLY 11 WITH A SUBPOENA OR PROCESS, THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE COUNTY IN 12 WHICH THE SUBPOENAED PERSON OR LICENSEE RESIDES OR CONDUCTS 13 BUSINESS, UPON APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR WITH NOTICE TO THE 14 SUBPOENAED PERSON OR LICENSEE, MAY ISSUE TO THE PERSON OR 15 LICENSEE AN ORDER REQUIRING THE PERSON OR LICENSEE TO APPEAR 16 BEFORE THE DIRECTOR; TO PRODUCE THE RELEVANT PAPERS, BOOKS, 17 RECORDS, DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE, OR MATERIALS IF SO ORDERED; OR 18 TO GIVE EVIDENCE TOUCHING THE MATTER UNDER INVESTIGATION OR IN 19 QUESTION. IF THE PERSON OR LICENSEE FAILS TO OBEY THE ORDER OF THE 20 COURT, THE COURT MAY HOLD THE PERSON OR LICENSEE IN CONTEMPT OF 21 COURT.

(c) THE DIRECTOR MAY APPOINT AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
PURSUANT TO PART 10 OF ARTICLE 30 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S., TO CONDUCT
HEARINGS, TAKE EVIDENCE, MAKE FINDINGS, AND REPORT THE FINDINGS
TO THE DIRECTOR.

26 (7) (a) THE DIRECTOR, THE DIRECTOR'S STAFF, A PERSON ACTING
27 AS A WITNESS OR CONSULTANT TO THE DIRECTOR, A WITNESS TESTIFYING

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1 IN A PROCEEDING AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS ARTICLE, OR A PERSON WHO 2 LODGES A COMPLAINT PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE IS IMMUNE FROM 3 LIABILITY IN A CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST HIM OR HER FOR ACTS 4 OCCURRING WHILE ACTING IN HIS OR HER CAPACITY AS DIRECTOR, STAFF, 5 CONSULTANT, OR WITNESS, RESPECTIVELY, IF THE INDIVIDUAL WAS ACTING 6 IN GOOD FAITH WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS OR HER RESPECTIVE CAPACITY, 7 MADE A REASONABLE EFFORT TO OBTAIN THE FACTS OF THE MATTER AS TO 8 WHICH HE OR SHE ACTED. AND ACTED IN THE REASONABLE BELIEF THAT 9 THE ACTION HE OR SHE TOOK WAS WARRANTED BY THE FACTS.

10 (b) A PERSON PARTICIPATING, IN GOOD FAITH, IN MAKING A
11 COMPLAINT OR REPORT OR IN AN INVESTIGATIVE OR ADMINISTRATIVE
12 PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS IMMUNE FROM ANY CIVIL OR
13 CRIMINAL LIABILITY THAT OTHERWISE MIGHT RESULT BY REASON OF THE
14 PARTICIPATION.

(8) A FINAL ACTION OF THE DIRECTOR IS SUBJECT TO JUDICIAL
REVIEW BY THE COURT OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-106 (11),
C.R.S. THE DIRECTOR MAY INSTITUTE A JUDICIAL PROCEEDING IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-4-106, C.R.S., TO ENFORCE AN ORDER OF
THE DIRECTOR.

(9) WHEN A COMPLAINT OR AN INVESTIGATION DISCLOSES AN
INSTANCE OF MISCONDUCT THAT, IN THE OPINION OF THE DIRECTOR,
WARRANTS FORMAL ACTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT RESOLVE THE
COMPLAINT BY A DEFERRED SETTLEMENT, ACTION, JUDGMENT, OR
PROSECUTION.

(10) (a) IF IT APPEARS TO THE DIRECTOR, BASED UPON CREDIBLE
EVIDENCE AS PRESENTED IN A WRITTEN COMPLAINT, THAT A LICENSEE IS
ACTING IN A MANNER THAT IS AN IMMINENT THREAT TO THE HEALTH AND

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1 SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC, OR IF A PERSON IS CONDUCTING PRIVATE 2 INVESTIGATIONS OR PRESENTING HIMSELF OR HERSELF AS OR IS USING THE 3 TITLE "PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR", "PRIVATE DETECTIVE", OR "LICENSED 4 PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR" WITHOUT HAVING OBTAINED A LICENSE, THE 5 DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE AN ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST THE ACTIVITY. THE 6 DIRECTOR SHALL SET FORTH IN THE ORDER THE STATUTES AND RULES 7 ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN VIOLATED, THE FACTS ALLEGED TO HAVE 8 CONSTITUTED THE VIOLATION, AND THE REQUIREMENT THAT ALL 9 UNLAWFUL ACTS OR UNLICENSED PRACTICES IMMEDIATELY CEASE.

(b) WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE ORDER TO CEASE AND
DESIST PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (10), THE
RESPONDENT MAY REQUEST A HEARING ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER
ACTS OR PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE HAVE OCCURRED. THE
DIRECTOR OR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, AS APPLICABLE, SHALL
CONDUCT THE HEARING PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 24-4-104 AND 24-4-105,
C.R.S.

17 (11) (a) IF IT APPEARS TO THE DIRECTOR, BASED UPON CREDIBLE 18 EVIDENCE AS PRESENTED IN A WRITTEN COMPLAINT, THAT A PERSON HAS 19 VIOLATED ANY OTHER PORTION OF THIS ARTICLE, IN ADDITION TO ANY 20 SPECIFIC POWERS GRANTED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, THE DIRECTOR 21 MAY ISSUE TO THE PERSON AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE AS TO WHY THE 22 DIRECTOR SHOULD NOT ISSUE A FINAL ORDER DIRECTING THE PERSON TO 23 CEASE AND DESIST FROM THE UNLAWFUL ACT OR UNLICENSED PRACTICE. 24 (b) THE DIRECTOR SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE PERSON AGAINST 25 WHOM AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE HAS BEEN ISSUED PURSUANT TO 26 PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (11) OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE ORDER 27 AND SHALL INCLUDE IN THE NOTICE A COPY OF THE ORDER, THE FACTUAL

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AND LEGAL BASIS FOR THE ORDER, AND THE DATE SET BY THE DIRECTOR
 FOR A HEARING ON THE ORDER. THE DIRECTOR MAY SERVE THE NOTICE ON
 THE PERSON AGAINST WHOM THE ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED BY PERSONAL
 SERVICE, BY FIRST-CLASS, POSTAGE-PREPAID UNITED STATES MAIL, OR IN
 ANOTHER MANNER AS MAY BE PRACTICABLE. PERSONAL SERVICE OR
 MAILING OF AN ORDER OR DOCUMENT PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (b)
 CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE ORDER TO THE PERSON.

8 (c) (I) THE DIRECTOR SHALL HOLD THE HEARING ON AN ORDER TO 9 SHOW CAUSE NO SOONER THAN TEN AND NO LATER THAN FORTY-FIVE 10 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF TRANSMISSION OR SERVICE OF THE 11 NOTIFICATION BY THE DIRECTOR AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS 12 SUBSECTION (11). THE DIRECTOR MAY CONTINUE THE HEARING BY 13 AGREEMENT OF ALL PARTIES BASED UPON THE COMPLEXITY OF THE 14 MATTER, NUMBER OF PARTIES TO THE MATTER, AND LEGAL ISSUES 15 PRESENTED IN THE MATTER, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE DIRECTOR HOLD 16 THE HEARING LATER THAN SIXTY CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF 17 TRANSMISSION OR SERVICE OF THE NOTIFICATION.

18 (II) IF A PERSON AGAINST WHOM AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE HAS 19 BEEN ISSUED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (11) DOES 20 NOT APPEAR AT THE HEARING, THE DIRECTOR MAY PRESENT EVIDENCE 21 THAT NOTIFICATION WAS PROPERLY SENT OR SERVED ON THE PERSON 22 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (11) AND SUCH OTHER 23 EVIDENCE RELATED TO THE MATTER AS THE DIRECTOR DEEMS 24 APPROPRIATE. THE DIRECTOR MUST ISSUE THE ORDER WITHIN TEN DAYS 25 AFTER THE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION RELATED TO REASONABLE 26 ATTEMPTS TO NOTIFY THE RESPONDENT, AND THE ORDER BECOMES FINAL 27 AS TO THAT PERSON BY OPERATION OF LAW. THE HEARING MUST BE

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1 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 24-4-104 AND 24-4-105, C.R.S.

(III) IF THE DIRECTOR REASONABLY FINDS THAT THE PERSON
AGAINST WHOM THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WAS ISSUED IS ACTING OR
HAS ACTED WITHOUT THE REQUIRED LICENSE OR HAS OR IS ABOUT TO
ENGAGE IN ACTS OR PRACTICES CONSTITUTING VIOLATIONS OF THIS
ARTICLE, THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE A FINAL CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER
DIRECTING THE PERSON TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM FURTHER UNLAWFUL
ACTS OR UNLICENSED PRACTICES.

9 (IV) THE DIRECTOR SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE, IN THE MANNER SET 10 FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (11), OF THE FINAL 11 CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER WITHIN TEN CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE 12 HEARING CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH(c) TO EACH PERSON 13 AGAINST WHOM THE FINAL ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED. THE FINAL ORDER 14 ISSUED PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (c) IS 15 EFFECTIVE WHEN ISSUED AND IS A FINAL ORDER FOR PURPOSES OF JUDICIAL 16 REVIEW.

17 (12) IF IT APPEARS TO THE DIRECTOR, BASED UPON CREDIBLE 18 EVIDENCE PRESENTED TO THE DIRECTOR, THAT A PERSON HAS ENGAGED OR 19 IS ABOUT TO ENGAGE IN AN ACT OR PRACTICE CONSTITUTING A VIOLATION 20 OF THIS ARTICLE, A RULE PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, OR 21 AN ORDER ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, OR ANY OTHER ACT OR 22 PRACTICE CONSTITUTING GROUNDS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTION 23 PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, THE DIRECTOR MAY ENTER INTO A 24 STIPULATION WITH THE PERSON.

(13) IF A PERSON FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A FINAL
CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER OR A STIPULATION, THE DIRECTOR MAY
REQUEST THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE

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1 JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE ALLEGED VIOLATION EXISTS TO BRING, 2 AND IF SO REQUESTED THE ATTORNEY SHALL BRING, SUIT FOR A 3 TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF TO 4 PREVENT ANY FURTHER OR CONTINUED VIOLATION OF THE FINAL ORDER. 5 (14) A PERSON AGGRIEVED BY THE FINAL CEASE-AND-DESIST 6 ORDER MAY SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION 7 OR OF THE DIRECTOR'S FINAL ORDER AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF 8 THIS SECTION.

9 (15) (a) WHEN A COMPLAINT OR INVESTIGATION DISCLOSES AN 10 INSTANCE OF MISCONDUCT THAT, IN THE OPINION OF THE DIRECTOR, DOES 11 NOT WARRANT FORMAL ACTION BY THE DIRECTOR BUT THAT SHOULD NOT 12 BE DISMISSED AS BEING WITHOUT MERIT, THE DIRECTOR MAY ISSUE AND 13 SEND THE LICENSEE A LETTER OF ADMONITION.

(b) WHEN THE DIRECTOR SENDS A LETTER OF ADMONITION TO A
LICENSEE, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ADVISE THE LICENSEE THAT HE OR SHE
HAS THE RIGHT TO REQUEST IN WRITING, WITHIN TWENTY DAYS AFTER
RECEIPT OF THE LETTER, THAT FORMAL DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS BE
INITIATED TO ADJUDICATE THE PROPRIETY OF THE CONDUCT UPON WHICH
THE LETTER OF ADMONITION IS BASED.

(c) IF THE LICENSEE TIMELY REQUESTS ADJUDICATION, THE
 DIRECTOR SHALL VACATE THE LETTER OF ADMONITION AND PROCESS THE
 MATTER BY MEANS OF FORMAL DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.

(16) WHEN A COMPLAINT OR INVESTIGATION DISCLOSES AN
INSTANCE OF CONDUCT THAT DOES NOT WARRANT FORMAL ACTION BY THE
DIRECTOR AND, IN THE OPINION OF THE DIRECTOR, THE COMPLAINT
SHOULD BE DISMISSED, BUT THE DIRECTOR HAS NOTICED INDICATIONS OF
POSSIBLE ERRANT CONDUCT BY THE LICENSEE THAT COULD LEAD TO

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SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES IF NOT CORRECTED, THE DIRECTOR MAY SEND
 THE LICENSEE A CONFIDENTIAL LETTER OF CONCERN.

12-58.5-110. [Formerly 12-58.5-108] Revocation. A PERSON
WHOSE LICENSE IS REVOKED IS INELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A LICENSE UNDER
THIS ARTICLE UNTIL AT LEAST TWO YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF
REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL TREAT A SUBSEQUENT
APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE FROM A PERSON WHOSE LICENSE WAS
REVOKED AS AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

9 12-58.5-111. [Formerly 12-58.5-109] Fees - cash fund. THE 10 DIVISION SHALL TRANSMIT ALL FEES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS 11 ARTICLE TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE FEES TO THE 12 DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS CASH FUND CREATED IN 13 SECTION 24-34-105 (2) (b), C.R.S. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL MAKE 14 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND 15 OCCUPATIONS CASH FUND FOR EXPENDITURES OF THE DIVISION INCURRED 16 IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

17 12-58.5-112. [Formerly 12-58.5-108] Repeal of article - review
18 of functions. This ARTICLE IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2020.
19 PRIOR TO THE REPEAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
20 SHALL REVIEW THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR
21 REGARDING THE LICENSURE OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS UNDER THIS
22 ARTICLE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 24-34-104, C.R.S.

23 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, repeal
24 (47.5) (i); and add (51.5) (h) as follows:

25 24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies
26 and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment.
27 (47.5) The following agencies, functions, or both, shall terminate on

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1 September 1, 2016:

2 (i) The voluntary licensing of private investigators by the director
3 of the division of professions and occupations in accordance with article
4 58.5 of title 12, C.R.S.

- 5 (51.5) The following agencies, functions, or both, terminate on
  6 September 1, 2020:
- 7 (h) THE LICENSING OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS BY THE DIRECTOR
  8 OF THE DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS IN ACCORDANCE
  9 WITH ARTICLE 58.5 OF TITLE 12, C.R.S.
- SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-72-204, amend
  (7) (b) (VIII) as follows:

12 24-72-204. Allowance or denial of inspection - grounds procedure - appeal - definitions. (7) (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a)
of this subsection (7), only upon obtaining a completed requestor release
form under section 42-1-206 (1) (b), C.R.S., the department may allow
inspection of the information referred to in paragraph (a) of this
subsection (7) for the following uses:

(VIII) For use by any private investigator licensed pursuant to
 section 12-58.5-105 SECTION 12-58.5-106, C.R.S., licensed private
 investigative agency, or licensed security service for any purpose
 permitted under this paragraph (b);

SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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