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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STEMI TASK FORCE
102 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SYSTEM TO
103 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CARE TO PATIENTS WHO SUFFER
104 HEART ATTACKS.

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>.)

In 2013, the general assembly enacted SB 13-225, which established a task force in the department of public health and environment (department) to study and make recommendations for

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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developing a statewide plan to improve quality of care to STEMI heart attack patients. ("STEMI" is an acronym for ST-elevation myocardial infarctions.) The study was to explore, among other things, the creation of a database for collecting data on STEMI care and access to aggregated STEMI data from the database for purposes of improving STEMI heart attack care.

The bill implements the following recommendations of the task force, with some modifications:

- ! Requires hospitals that are recognized as heart attack receiving centers to report to a specified national heart attack database data that is consistent with nationally recognized guidelines on individuals with confirmed heart attacks within the state;
- ! Upon receipt of quarterly reports from the heart attack database, requires hospitals to submit those reports to the department for Colorado-specific data analysis;
- ! Establishes a heart attack advisory committee in the department to provide general technical expertise on matters related to heart attack care and data analysis; and
- ! Allows the department to share blinded data from the database with the heart attack advisory committee.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-3-100.5, **add** (2),
3 (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7) as follows:

4 **25-3-100.5. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context
5 otherwise requires:

6 (2) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
7 AND ENVIRONMENT.

8 (3) "HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE" MEANS THE HEART
9 ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE CREATED IN SECTION 25-3-114.

10 (4) "HEART ATTACK DATABASE" MEANS THE NCDR ACTION
11 REGISTRY.

12 (5) "NCDR ACTION REGISTRY" MEANS A NATIONAL REGISTRY
13 DESIGNED FOR HEART ATTACK DATA THAT IS A PRODUCT OF THE NATIONAL

1 CARDIOVASCULAR DATA REGISTRY (NCDR) DEVELOPED BY THE
2 AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY OR ITS SUCCESSOR ENTITY.

3 (6) "PCI CENTER" MEANS A HOSPITAL THAT PERFORMS
4 PERCUTANEOUS CORONARY INTERVENTION (PCI), COMMONLY KNOWN AS
5 CORONARY ANGIOPLASTY, FOR ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION.

6 (7) "RETAC" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
7 25-3.5-703 (6.8).

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **recreate and**
9 **reenact, with amendments,** 25-3-114 as follows:

10 **25-3-114. Heart attack advisory committee - creation -**
11 **membership - duties - definitions - repeal.** (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY
12 CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
13 NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1, 2016, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT TEN
14 MEMBERS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS FOLLOWS:

15 (I) ONE MEMBER WHO IS AN INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGIST
16 PRACTICING IN THE STATE;

17 (II) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A PRACTICING CARDIOLOGIST IN THE
18 STATE AND WHO REPRESENTS A STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS;

19 (III) ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING AN EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS
20 ASSOCIATION;

21 (IV) TWO MEMBERS WHO ARE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
22 PROVIDERS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 25-3.5-103 (8), NONE OF WHOM MAY
23 BE FROM THE SAME RETAC GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND ONE OF WHOM
24 PROVIDES SERVICES IN A RURAL AREA OF THE STATE;

25 (V) ONE MEMBER WHO IS A REGISTERED NURSE INVOLVED IN
26 CARDIAC CARE;

27 (VI) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSPITAL LOCATED IN A RURAL

1 AREA OF THE STATE;

2 (VII) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A HOSPITAL LOCATED IN AN URBAN
3 AREA OF THE STATE;

4 (VIII) ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAS SUFFERED A HEART
5 ATTACK; AND

6 (IX) ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERTISE IN CARDIOVASCULAR DATA
7 REGISTRIES.

8 (b) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE SHALL SERVE AS AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER
10 OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

11 (c) MEMBERS OF THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE SERVE
12 WITHOUT COMPENSATION AND ARE NOT ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT OF
13 EXPENSES INCURRED IN SERVING ON OR PERFORMING DUTIES OF THE
14 ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

15 (d) (I) MEMBERS OF THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
16 SHALL SERVE FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE; EXCEPT THAT OF THE
17 MEMBERS INITIALLY APPOINTED, FIVE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL
18 THREE-YEAR TERMS AND FIVE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE INITIAL TWO-YEAR
19 TERMS. NO MEMBER SHALL SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE
20 FOUR-YEAR TERMS.

21 (II) IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY
22 COMMITTEE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
23 APPOINT A NEW MEMBER WHO MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE
24 MEMBER BEING REPLACED, AND THE NEW MEMBER SHALL SERVE FOR THE
25 REMAINDER OF THE VACATING MEMBER'S UNEXPIRED TERM.

26 (III) MEMBERS OF THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
27 SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR AND CONTINUE IN OFFICE

1 UNTIL THE MEMBER'S SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED.

2 (e) THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL ELECT A
3 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

4 (f) THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT
5 LEAST QUARTERLY AND MORE FREQUENTLY AS NECESSARY TO FULFILL ITS
6 DUTIES.

7 (2) THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE
8 GENERAL TECHNICAL EXPERTISE TO THE DEPARTMENT ON MATTERS
9 RELATED TO HEART ATTACK CARE AND DATA ANALYSIS AND SHALL:

10 (a) REVIEW QUARTERLY REPORTS OF BLINDED DATA GENERATED
11 BY THE HEART ATTACK DATABASE AND PROVIDED TO THE ADVISORY
12 COMMITTEE BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
13 25-3-117;

14 (b) CONTINUOUSLY EVALUATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO
15 IMPROVE HEART ATTACK CARE IN GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OR REGIONS OF THE
16 STATE; AND

17 (c) PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE
18 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR IMPROVING THE SYSTEM OF HEART ATTACK CARE
19 AND DELIVERY AT THE STATE LEVEL AND AT AN INDIVIDUAL FACILITY
20 LEVEL.

21 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

22 (a) FACILITATE THE RECOGNITION AND PUBLICATION SYSTEM
23 UNDER SECTION 25-3-116; AND

24 (b) FACILITATE THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S DATA
25 REVIEW PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (a) OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
26 SECTION.

27 (4) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2026.

1 PRIOR TO THE REPEAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
2 SHALL REVIEW THE FUNCTIONS OF THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY
3 COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-3-1203, C.R.S.

4 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-3-116, **amend** (1)
5 and (3); and **repeal** (4) (a) as follows:

6 **25-3-116. Department recognition of national certification -**
7 **suspension or revocation of recognition - definitions.** (1) A hospital
8 that has an accreditation, certification, or designation in stroke or ~~STEMI~~
9 HEART ATTACK care from a nationally recognized accrediting body,
10 including ~~but not limited to~~ a certification as a comprehensive stroke
11 center or primary stroke center by the joint commission on accreditation
12 of health care organizations and programs or its successor organization,
13 or an accreditation as a STEMI receiving center or STEMI referral center
14 by the society for cardiovascular patient care or its successor
15 organization, may send information and supporting documentation to the
16 department. The department shall make a hospital's national accreditation,
17 certification, or designation available to the public in a manner
18 determined by the department.

19 (3) Whether a hospital attains a national accreditation,
20 certification, or designation in stroke or ~~STEMI~~ HEART ATTACK care has
21 no bearing on, or connection with, the licensing or certification of the
22 hospital by the department pursuant to section 25-1.5-103 (1) (a).

23 (4) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

24 (a) ~~"Department" means the department of public health and~~
25 ~~environment.~~

26 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25-3-117 as
27 follows:

1 **25-3-117. Heart attack database - hospitals to report data on**
2 **heart attack care - department to analyze data.** (1) (a) HOSPITALS
3 THAT ARE RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT AS HEART ATTACK
4 RECEIVING CENTERS UNDER SECTION 25-3-116 SHALL REPORT TO THE
5 HEART ATTACK DATABASE DATA THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH NATIONALLY
6 RECOGNIZED GUIDELINES ON INDIVIDUALS WITH CONFIRMED HEART
7 ATTACKS WITHIN THE STATE. WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A
8 QUARTERLY REPORT OF A HOSPITAL'S HEART ATTACK DATA FROM THE
9 HEART ATTACK DATABASE, A HOSPITAL SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE
10 DEPARTMENT.

11 (b) HOSPITALS THAT ARE RECOGNIZED AS STEMI REFERRAL
12 CENTERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-3-116 AND PCI CENTERS THAT ARE
13 NOT ACCREDITED AS HEART ATTACK RECEIVING CENTERS ARE
14 ENCOURAGED TO REPORT DATA TO THE HEART ATTACK DATABASE AND
15 PROVIDE QUARTERLY DATABASE REPORTS TO THE DEPARTMENT.

16 (2) UPON RECEIPT OF QUARTERLY REPORTS SPECIFIED IN
17 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION FROM HOSPITALS, THE DEPARTMENT
18 SHALL CONDUCT COLORADO-SPECIFIC ANALYSES OF THE DATA IN THE
19 REPORTS USING THE NCDR ACTION REGISTRY STANDARDS FOR DATA USE.

20 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY SHARE HEART ATTACK DATA FROM
21 QUARTERLY REPORTS RECEIVED FROM HOSPITALS, IN AGGREGATED
22 FORMAT EXCLUDING ANY IDENTIFYING OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION,
23 WITH THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

24 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **add** (3)
25 (mm) (II) as follows:

26 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees.** (3) The
27 following dates are the dates on which the statutory authorization for the

1 designated advisory committee is scheduled for repeal:

2 (mm) September 1, 2026:

3 (II) THE HEART ATTACK ADVISORY COMMITTEE CREATED IN
4 SECTION 25-3-114, C.R.S.

5 **SECTION 6. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
6 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
7 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.