

CHAPTER 7

HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

HOUSE BILL 17-1024

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE NONSUBSTANTIVE RELOCATION OF LAWS PERTAINING TO THE COMMISSION ON FAMILY MEDICINE.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add with amended and relocated provisions** part 6 to article 1 of title 25.5 as follows:

**PART 6
COMMISSION ON FAMILY MEDICINE**

25.5-1-601. [Formerly 25-1-901] Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

(a) Physicians engaged in family medicine are in critically short supply in this state;

(b) Because of the distribution of such physicians, many rural and urban areas of the state are underserved;

~~(b.1)~~ (c) A significant portion of the state population is medically underserved because of indigency;

~~(b.2)~~ (d) Family physicians provide health care to all segments of the population;

~~(c)~~ (e) The provision of more competent family physicians is a public purpose of great importance; and

~~(d)~~ (f) The creation of the commission on family medicine is a desirable,

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

necessary, and ~~economic~~ COST-EFFECTIVE means of addressing the needs described in ~~paragraphs (a) and (b)~~ of this subsection (1).

25.5-1-602. [Formerly 25-1-902] Commission created - composition - terms of office. (1) There is hereby created, in the department of health care policy and financing, the commission on family medicine, referred to in this ~~part 9~~ PART 6 as the "commission". No more than four members of the commission appointed by the governor pursuant to ~~paragraph (d) of this subsection (1)~~ SUBSECTION (1)(d) OF THIS SECTION may be members of the same major political party. A vacancy on the commission occurs whenever any health care consumer member moves out of the congressional district from which he or she was appointed. A health care consumer member who moves out of the congressional district shall promptly notify the governor of the date of the move, but notice is not a condition precedent to the occurrence of the vacancy. The governor shall fill the vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term. The commission consists of the following members:

(a) The deans of accredited allopathic and osteopathic schools of medicine in the state or their designated representatives;

(b) The director of all family medicine programs in the state accredited by the accreditation council on graduate medical education of the American medical association or the American osteopathic association;

(c) A representative of the Colorado academy of family physicians; and

(d) A health care consumer to be appointed by the governor from each congressional district in the state.

(2) The members appointed under ~~paragraph (d) of subsection (1)~~ SUBSECTION (1)(d) of this section shall serve THREE-YEAR TERMS. ALL MEMBERS SERVE at the pleasure of the governor. ~~and shall serve for three-year terms.~~

(3) The commission shall elect a ~~chairman~~ CHAIRPERSON and a ~~vice-chairman~~ VICE-CHAIRPERSON from among its members. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but members described in ~~paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of subsection (1)~~ SUBSECTIONS (1)(b), (1)(c), AND (1)(d) of this section shall be entitled to their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The commission shall meet on call of the ~~chairman~~ CHAIRPERSON, but not less than once every three months. A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

25.5-1-603. [Formerly 25-1-903] Duties of commission - reporting. (1) The commission shall:

(a) Assure that family medicine residency program standards are equal to or more stringent than the standards established by the accreditation council on graduate medical education of the American medical association or the American osteopathic association for residency training in family medicine;

(b) In cooperation with the dean of the school of medicine, approve and recommend allocation of any funds which are identified and appropriated in the

general appropriation bill as a line item for any community family medicine residency training program;

(c) Monitor the state's family medicine residency programs and recommend from time to time that the general assembly appropriate funds for said programs;

(d) Locate specific areas of the state which are underserved by family physicians and determine the priority of need among such areas;

(e) Offer to the general assembly alternative ideas on providing medical care to the medically indigent in the state; AND

(f) (I) Support the development and maintenance of family medicine residency programs in rural and other underserved areas of the state for purposes of cultivating family medicine practitioners who are likely to continue practicing in rural and underserved areas of the state at the conclusion of their residency programs.

~~(H) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2014.)~~

~~(HH) (II) On or before November 1, 2014, and on or before each November 1, thereafter, the commission shall report to the office of state planning and budgeting and to the department of health care policy and financing concerning rural family medicine residency programs in the state and the role of the commission with respect to supporting the development and maintenance of those programs. In addition, NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11), the commission shall present the report to the joint budget committee as part of its annual presentation to that committee.~~

~~(2) and (3) Repealed.~~

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-1-135.1, **amend** (1)(a) as follows:

24-1-135.1. Effect of congressional redistricting related to 2000 federal decennial census - definition. (1) (a) The appointing authority of the boards, commissions, or committees established pursuant to sections 13-91-104, 14-10-115, 21-2-101, 23-1-102, 23-21-503, 23-60-104, 24-32-706, 25-1-103, ~~25-1-902,~~ 25.5-1-301, 25.5-1-602, 26-11-101, 33-11-105, and 35-65-401, ~~C.R.S.~~, which require members to be appointed as residents of designated congressional districts, shall determine whether the current appointments to such boards, commissions, or committees adequately represent Colorado's new congressional districts. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, such appointing authority shall terminate the terms of current members and appoint new members to replace such members on the boards, commissions, or committees as is necessary to ensure proper representation from the new congressional districts; except that the term of a member who continues to reside in the district that such member was designated to represent shall not be terminated. Such changes shall be made no later than January 1, 2003. If the current members adequately represent the new congressional districts, the membership of the board, commission, or committee shall remain unchanged. Any member who continues to serve on a board, commission, or committee shall not be required to be reappointed.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1.5-504, **amend** (2)(a) as follows:

25-1.5-504. Colorado health service corps advisory council - creation - membership - duties - repeal. (2) The advisory council consists of thirteen members appointed by the governor as provided in this subsection (2). In appointing members of the advisory council, the governor shall ensure that the advisory council includes at least one representative from each of the following organizations:

(a) The commission on family medicine created pursuant to ~~part 9 of article 1 of this title~~ PART 6 OF ARTICLE 1 OF TITLE 25.5;

SECTION 4. Repeal of relocated provisions in this act. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** part 9 of article 1 of title 25.

SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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