HOUSE BILL 18-1026

A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE NONSUBSTANTIVE RELOCATION OF THE LAW

CREATING THE LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AND STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY CASH FUND FROM TITLE 24, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, TO A NEW TITLE 44 AS PART OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL RECODIFICATION OF TITLE 12.

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.)

Committee on Legal Services. Current law directs the office of legislative legal services to study the organizational recodification of title

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment. Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute. Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.
12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, which relates to professions and occupations. One recommendation of the study is to relocate laws located in title 12 that are administered by the department of revenue, as well as other isolated laws administered by the department of revenue, to a new title 44, which will consist solely of laws administered by the department of revenue that regulate a variety of activities.

To implement this recommendation, section 1 of the bill creates title 44 and section 2 relocates a law that creates the liquor enforcement division and state licensing authority cash fund from title 24 to the new title. Section 3 repeals the relocated law from its current location. Sections 4 and 5 make conforming amendments necessitated by the relocation of the law.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add title 44 as follows:

TITLE 44

ACTIVITIES REGULATED BY THE

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

ARTICLE 1

Common Provisions

44-1-101. Short title. The short title of this title 44 is the "DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ACTIVITIES REGULATION ACT".

44-1-102. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that:

(a) Before the enactment of this title 44, laws administered by the department of revenue that regulate a variety of activities were codified in two titles of the Colorado Revised Statutes, most prominently in title 12, which governs professions and occupations;

(b) Most professions and occupations are regulated by the department of regulatory agencies pursuant to title 12, but
PRIOR TO THE 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, TITLE 12 CONTAINED NUMEROUS LAWS THAT DID NOT PERTAIN TO THE REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS AND WERE NOT ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES;

(c) WITH THE ENACTMENT OF SECTION 2-3-510 IN 2016, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DIRECTED THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES TO STUDY AN ORGANIZATIONAL RECODIFICATION OF TITLE 12 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, INCLUDING RELOCATING LAWS THAT DO NOT PERTAIN TO PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS AND ARE NOT ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES;

(d) BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TITLE 12 RECODIFICATION STUDY, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENACTED SEVERAL BILLS IN THE 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION TO RELOCATE OUT OF TITLE 12 MANY LAWS THAT ARE ADMINISTERED BY ENTITIES OTHER THAN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES;

(e) THE STUDY ALSO RECOMMENDED CREATING A NEW TITLE 44 FOR PURPOSES OF CONSOLIDATING LAWS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THAT REGULATE ACTIVITIES INTO A SINGLE TITLE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE BOTH:

(I) THE PUBLIC'S AND REGULATED ENTITIES' UNDERSTANDING OF THE LAWS THAT APPLY TO THEM; AND

(II) THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE'S ADMINISTRATION OF THESE LAWS; AND

(f) CREATING A NEW TITLE 44 CONSISTING OF LAWS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THAT REGULATE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES IS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TITLE 12 RECODIFICATION STUDY AND FACILITATE THE REORGANIZATION OF TITLE
12 PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS.

44-1-103. Definitions. As used in this title 44, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Department" means the Department of Revenue created in section 24-1-117.

(2) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Department.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add with amended and relocated provisions article 6 to title 44 as follows:

ARTICLE 6

Liquor Enforcement Division and State Licensing Authority Cash Fund

44-6-101. [Formerly 24-35-401] Liquor enforcement division and state licensing authority cash fund. There is hereby created in the state treasury the liquor enforcement division and state licensing authority cash fund. The fund shall consist of money transferred thereto in accordance with sections 12-46-105 (2) and 12-47-502 (1). C.R.S. The general assembly shall make annual appropriations from the fund for a portion of the direct and indirect costs of the liquor enforcement division and the state licensing authority in the administration and enforcement of articles 46, 47, and 48 of title 12. C.R.S. Any money remaining in the fund at the end of each fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not revert to the general fund or any other fund. The fund shall be maintained in accordance with section 24-75-402.


SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-46-105, amend
(2)(c) as follows:

**12-46-105. Fees and taxes - allocation.** (2)(c) The expenditures of the state licensing authority and the liquor enforcement division shall be paid out of appropriations from the liquor enforcement division and state licensing authority cash fund as provided in section 24-35-401, C.R.S. SECTION 44-6-101.

**SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-47-502, amend (1)(c) as follows:

**12-47-502. Fees and taxes - allocation.** (1)(c) The expenditures of the state licensing authority and the liquor enforcement division shall be paid out of appropriations from the liquor enforcement division and state licensing authority cash fund as provided in section 24-35-401, C.R.S. SECTION 44-6-101.

**SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act takes effect October 1, 2018; 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 the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly, 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.