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Seventy-third General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**INTRODUCED**

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**HOUSE BILL 21-1115**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF MEMBERS OF BOARDS OF HEALTH,**  
102                    **AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REGULATING THE MEMBERS**  
103                    **OF COUNTY AND DISTRICT BOARDS OF HEALTH.**

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**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 specifies that members of a county or district board of health are not allowed to serve concurrently as members of a board of county commissioners and as members of a county or district board of health. The bill also allows members of a county or district board of health to be removed for malfeasance or other specified reasons.

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.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1-508, **amend**  
3 (2)(b) and (3)(b); **repeal** (2)(c) and (2)(d); and **add** (7) and (8) as follows:

4           **25-1-508. County or district boards of public health - public**  
5 **health directors.** (2) (b) Each member of the county board of health  
6 shall be a resident of the county in which the county agency is located.  
7 Appointments shall be made to the board so that no business or  
8 professional group or governmental entity shall constitute a majority of  
9 the board AND SO THAT NO MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
10 COMMISSIONERS SERVES CONCURRENTLY ON THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
11 HEALTH AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. Any vacancy on the  
12 board shall be filled in the same manner as full-term appointments by the  
13 appointment of a qualified person for the unexpired term.

14           (c) ~~In a county with a population of less than one hundred~~  
15 ~~thousand people that, as of July 1, 2008, does not have a board of health~~  
16 ~~that is separate from the board of county commissioners, the board of~~  
17 ~~county commissioners may designate itself as the county board of health~~  
18 ~~as of July 1, 2008. The terms of the members of the county board of~~  
19 ~~health shall coincide with their terms as commissioners. Such county~~  
20 ~~boards shall assume all the duties of appointed county boards.~~

21           (d) ~~Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) to (c) of this~~  
22 ~~subsection (2), a county board of health in a home-rule county shall~~  
23 ~~comply with the requirements of its home-rule charter.~~

24           (3) (b) Each member of the district board shall be a resident of one  
25 of the counties comprising the district, and there shall be at least one  
26 member from each of the counties comprising the district. Appointments

1 shall be made to the district board so that no business or professional  
2 group or governmental entity shall constitute a majority of the district  
3 board AND SO THAT NO MEMBER OF A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
4 SERVES CONCURRENTLY ON THE DISTRICT BOARD AND A BOARD OF  
5 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. The appointments committee shall fill any  
6 vacancy on the district board by the appointment of a qualified person for  
7 the remainder of the unexpired term.

8 (7) ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE  
9 BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ONLY FOR MALFEASANCE, FOR  
10 WILLFUL NEGLECT OF DUTY, OR FOR ANY CAUSE WHICH RENDERS A  
11 MEMBER OF THE BOARD INCAPABLE OF OR UNABLE TO DISCHARGE THE  
12 DUTIES OF HIS OR HER OFFICE.

13 (8) CHANGES TO THIS SECTION MADE BY HOUSE BILL 21-\_\_\_\_,  
14 ENACTED IN 2021, SHALL TAKE EFFECT JULY 1, 2022.

15 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
16 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
17 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
18 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
19 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
20 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
21 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
22 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
23 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.