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HOUSE BILL 22-1251

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Roberts,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Bridges,

House Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE OFFICE OF CARDIAC ARREST**
102 **MANAGEMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND**
103 **ENVIRONMENT.**

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 creates the office of cardiac arrest management (office) in the department of public health and environment.

The office is required to:

- Facilitate the registration of defibrillators in this state through the implementation of a statewide registry;

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.

- Coordinate cardiac arrest data, including outcome data from facilities that treat cardiac patients and from coroners;
- Implement an outreach campaign to raise public awareness regarding cardiac arrest;
- Provide training and education programs statewide to teach the skills necessary to save lives; and
- Employ a statewide cardiac arrest data coordinator, a defibrillator registry coordinator, and other personnel as necessary.

The bill requires the general assembly to appropriate \$500,000 annually for use by the office.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 2 to article
3 53 of title 25 as follows:

4 **PART 2**

5 **SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST MANAGEMENT**

6 **25-53-201. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 2:

7 (1) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
8 AND ENVIRONMENT.

9 (2) "OFFICE" MEANS THE OFFICE OF CARDIAC ARREST
10 MANAGEMENT CREATED IN SECTION 25-53-202.

11 (3) "PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATOR" MEANS AN AUTOMATED
12 EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR APPROVED FOR SALE BY THE FEDERAL FOOD
13 AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND AVAILABLE FOR USE BY THE GENERAL
14 PUBLIC.

15 (4) "SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST" MEANS THE SUDDEN AND
16 UNEXPECTED CESSATION OF CARDIAC MECHANICAL ACTIVITY.

17 **25-53-202. Office of cardiac arrest management - creation -**
18 **duties - appropriation - gifts, grants, and donations - rules.** (1) THERE
19 IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE OFFICE OF SUDDEN CARDIAC

1 ARREST MANAGEMENT. THE PURPOSE OF THE OFFICE IS TO:

2 (a) PROMOTE THE USE OF PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS AND

3 THE USE OF REGISTRIES TO LET THE PUBLIC KNOW WHERE A PUBLIC ACCESS

4 DEFIBRILLATOR CAN BE FOUND AND USED WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL IS

5 SUFFERING FROM SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST; AND

6 (b) COORDINATE THE COLLECTION OF SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST

7 DATA FROM HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

8 (2) THE OFFICE SHALL:

9 (a) COORDINATE THE COLLECTION OF SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST

10 DATA INTO A DATA ANALYSIS SYSTEM SPECIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT,

11 INCLUDING OUTCOME DATA FROM HOSPITALS THAT RECEIVE CARDIAC

12 PATIENTS TRANSPORTED BY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES;

13 (b) IMPLEMENT AN OUTREACH CAMPAIGN TO:

14 (I) RAISE AWARENESS REGARDING SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST AND

15 THE SKILLS NECESSARY TO SAVE LIVES, INCLUDING THE IMPORTANCE OF

16 COMPRESSION CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION;

17 (II) RAISE AWARENESS REGARDING THE USE OF PUBLIC ACCESS

18 DEFIBRILLATORS;

19 (III) DEMONSTRATE HOW TO CALL FOR HELP AND EMERGENCY

20 MEDICAL SERVICES; AND

21 (IV) ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS OF COLORADO TO ENGAGE IN

22 BASIC LIFE-SAVING ACTIONS;

23 (c) MAINTAIN A LIST OF TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

24 OFFERED IN THE STATE THAT:

25 (I) TEACH LIFE-SAVING SKILLS, INCLUDING CARDIOPULMONARY

26 RESUSCITATION AND THE USE OF A DEFIBRILLATOR; AND

27 (II) COMPLY WITH THE GUIDELINES PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN

1 HEART ASSOCIATION;

2 (d) EMPLOY A STATEWIDE CARDIAC ARREST DATA COORDINATOR

3 AND OTHER PERSONNEL AS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES OF

4 THIS SECTION; AND

5 (e) COORDINATE THE SUBMISSION OF DATA, INCLUDING THE

6 GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM LOCATION OF PUBLIC ACCESS

7 DEFIBRILLATORS TO AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR REGISTRY

8 DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

9 (3) THE OFFICE MAY:

10 (a) ACQUIRE, ANALYZE, AND OVERSEE CARDIAC ARREST DATA;

11 (b) RELEASE REPORTS GENERATED FROM THE DATA; AND

12 (c) SHARE THE DATA WITH:

13 (I) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS, DISPATCH

14 CENTERS, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER ENTITIES AS APPROPRIATE TO ASSIST

15 WITH EMERGENCY RESPONSE CAPABILITIES;

16 (II) APPROPRIATE ENTITIES AS REQUESTED FOR RESEARCH

17 PURPOSES;

18 (III) DESIGNATED STATE AND NATIONAL CARDIAC ARREST

19 REGISTRIES; AND

20 (IV) DESIGNATED STATE AND NATIONAL AUTOMATED EXTERNAL

21 DEFIBRILLATOR REGISTRIES.

22 (4) (a) FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23, AND FOR EACH STATE

23 FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE

24 TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE

25 DEPARTMENT FOR ALLOCATION TO THE OFFICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS

26 SECTION.

27 (b) THE DEPARTMENT MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS,

1 GRANTS, AND DONATIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

2 (5) THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH MAY PROMULGATE RULES TO
3 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

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