

**First Regular Session  
Seventy-fourth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

**INTRODUCED**

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**SENATE BILL 23-247**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIVISION OF CIVIL**  
102 **PROTECTIONS AND RIGHTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW.**

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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 establishes the division of civil protections and rights in the department of law.

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

1           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-31-102, **amend**  
2 (1) as follows:

3           **24-31-102. Offices, boards, and divisions.** (1) The department  
4 of law, the chief executive officer of which is the attorney general,  
5 includes the following:

- 6           (a) The office of the attorney general;
- 7           (b) The office of the solicitor general;
- 8           (c) The division of consumer protection;
- 9           (d) The division of criminal justice;
- 10          (e) THE DIVISION OF CIVIL PROTECTIONS AND RIGHTS;
- 11          ~~(e)~~ (f) The administrator of the uniform consumer credit code,  
12 created in section 5-6-103;
- 13          ~~(f)~~ (g) The medicaid fraud control unit, created in section  
14 24-31-802;
- 15          ~~(g)~~ (h) The peace officers standards and training board, created in  
16 section 24-31-302;
- 17          ~~(h)~~ (i) The financial empowerment office, created in part 11 of  
18 this article 31;
- 19          ~~(i)~~ (j) The fair housing unit;
- 20          ~~(j)~~ (k) The worker and employee protection unit, created in part  
21 13 of this article 31; and
- 22          ~~(k)~~ (l) Notwithstanding section 24-1-107, any other division,  
23 office, or unit established by the attorney general or by law.

24           **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
25 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
26 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
27 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V

1 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
2 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
3 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
4 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
5 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.