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SENATE BILL 23-247

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Soper,

Senate Committees
Judiciary

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

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.

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.

SENATE
2nd Reading Unamended
April 12, 2023

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.