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# REENGROSSED

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

#### 101 <u>CONCERNING REVIEWING THE ADEQUACY OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR</u>

102 <u>STATE FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES EVERY THREE YEARS.</u>

#### **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 <u>http://leg.colorado.gov.</u>)

The bill requires the general assembly to annually adjust for inflation the general fund appropriation for state funding for senior services.

No later than August 2024, and each August every 3 years thereafter, the bill requires the department of human services (department), the office of state planning and budgeting, and





representatives from area agencies on aging to review the adequacy of the appropriation for senior services for the prior 3 fiscal years to address the needs of senior citizens who request services pursuant to the "Older Coloradans' Act". The department is required to report the findings of the adequacy review to the general assembly.

For the 2024-25 state fiscal year, the bill appropriates \$5 million from the general fund to the department of human services for state funding for senior services.

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

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 26-11-209 as
3 follows:

4 26-11-209. Adequacy review - appropriation for senior 5 services - report. (1) NO LATER THAN AUGUST 2024, AND EACH AUGUST 6 EVERY THREE YEARS THEREAFTER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THE OFFICE 7 OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM AREA 8 AGENCIES ON AGING SHALL REVIEW THE ADEQUACY OF THE 9 APPROPRIATION FOR STATE FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES FOR THE PRIOR 10 THREE FISCAL YEARS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS WHO 11 **REQUEST SERVICES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 11.** 

12 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136(11)(a)(I), NO LATER 13 THAN NOVEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR AFTER THE ADEQUACY REVIEW IS 14 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE 15 DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT THE FINDINGS OF THE ADEQUACY REVIEW TO 16 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND 17 HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN 18 SERVICES COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND THE JOINT 19 BUDGET COMMITTEE.

20 (3) AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S "SMART ACT" HEARING 21 REQUIRED BY SECTION 2-7-203 FOLLOWING THE ADEQUACY REVIEW

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CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE
 DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE AS PART OF ITS PRESENTATION
 INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FINDINGS OF THE ADEQUACY REVIEW
 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO <u>SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.</u>

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6 SECTION <u>2.</u> Safety clause. The general assembly finds, 7 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 8 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for 9 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state 10 institutions.