CHAPTER 27

GOVERNMENT - STATE

SENATE BILL 23-073

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE EPIC (EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES IMPLEMENTATION FOR CAPACITY) ADVISORY BOARD, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATION IN THE 2022 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES TO REPEAL THE ADVISORY BOARD.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-514, **amend** (4); and **repeal** (2) as follows:

- 24-33.5-514. Evidence-based practices implementation for capacity program EPIC fund creation repeal. (2) (a) There is hereby created in the division the EPIC advisory board, referred to in this section as the "board".
- (b) The board shall exercise its powers and perform its duties and functions under the department of public safety.
 - (e) (I) The board shall consist of, at a minimum, the following five members:
- (A) The executive director of the department of public safety or his or her designee;
 - (B) The executive director of the department of corrections or his or her designee;
- (C) The executive director of the department of human services or his or her designee;
 - (D) The director of the division of criminal justice in the department of public

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- (E) The director of the division of probation services in the judicial department or his or her designee.
- (II) The director of the division of criminal justice may appoint additional members to ensure adequate representation and oversight.
- (d) The members of the board shall serve without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses.
- (e) The board shall meet at least four times per calendar year. The director of the division of criminal justice may call such additional meetings as may be necessary for the board to complete its duties.
- (f) The board shall support the center to create and maintain internal, sustainable structural implementation components of evidence-based practices.
- (g) The department shall provide office space, equipment, and staff services as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
 - (h) (I) This subsection (2) is repealed, effective September 1, 2023.
- (II) Prior to said repeal, the board shall be reviewed as provided for in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.
- (4) By July 1, 2014, and July 1 every three years thereafter, the division shall provide a report to the members of the general assembly regarding the status of the center. The report must include quantitative measures identified by the advisory board that describe the center's impact.
- **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal** (14)(a)(II) as follows:
- **2-3-1203.** Sunset review of advisory committees legislative declaration **definition repeal.** (14) (a) The following statutory authorizations for the designated advisory committees are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2023:
 - (II) The EPIC advisory board created in section 24-33.5-514 (2), C.R.S.;
- **SECTION 3.** Act subject to petition effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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