

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

February 17, 2022

Chair of Committee

Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB22-081 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Finance with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 8, strike "COVERAGE, INCLUDING THE"
2 and substitute "COVERAGE."

3 Page 2, strike lines 9 through 13.

4 Page 3, strike lines 1 through 20 and substitute:

5 "(b) (I) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, THE BOARD SHALL USE
6 THE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE
7 CONSUMERS IN COLORADO ON HOW TO ATTAIN AND RETAIN HEALTH-CARE
8 COVERAGE BASED ON THEIR HEALTH-CARE NEEDS AND FINANCIAL
9 CIRCUMSTANCES SO THEY CAN ACCESS THE HEALTH CARE THEY NEED. THE
10 CAMPAIGN MUST INCLUDE EFFORTS TO:

11 (A) IMPROVE HEALTH LITERACY AMONG CONSUMERS IN
12 COLORADO;

13 (B) ASSIST CONSUMERS IN COLORADO WHO LOSE MINIMUM
14 ESSENTIAL COVERAGE; AND

15 (C) REDUCE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE FOR HEALTH-
16 CARE COVERAGE WHO REMAIN UNINSURED OR WITHOUT HEALTH-CARE
17 COVERAGE.

18 (II) THE CAMPAIGN MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT
19 ELIGIBILITY AND COSTS WHERE PRACTICABLE.

20 (c) THE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN MUST
21 INCLUDE MARKETING AND OUTREACH TO HELP CONSUMERS IN THIS STATE
22 WHO, AT THE END OF THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AS
23 DECLARED AND EXTENDED BY THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF HEALTH
24 AND HUMAN SERVICES, ARE NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS UNDER
25 THE "COLORADO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT", ARTICLES 4, 5, AND 6 OF
26 TITLE 25.5, OR THE "CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN ACT", ARTICLE 8 OF

- 1 TITLE 25.5, TO UNDERSTAND COVERAGE OPTIONS AND TO TRANSITION TO
2 HEALTH-CARE COVERAGE OBTAINED THROUGH THE EXCHANGE."
- 3 Reletter succeeding paragraph accordingly.
- 4 Page 4, strike lines 14 through 16 and substitute "ELIMINATE THE REPEAL
5 DATE IN THIS SECTION."
- 6 Page 4, strike lines 17 through 27.
- 7 Strike page 5.
- 8 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.
- 9 Page 6, line 8, strike "JANUARY 1, 2023," and substitute "SEPTEMBER 1,
10 2022,".
- 11 Page 6, lines 9 and 10, strike "JANUARY 1, 2023, THROUGH DECEMBER 31,
12 2027," and substitute "SEPTEMBER 1, 2022, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2028,".
- 13 Page 6, line 11, strike "JANUARY 1, 2028," and substitute "SEPTEMBER 1,
14 2028,".
- 15 Page 7, lines 12 and 13, strike "JANUARY 1," and substitute "SEPTEMBER
16 1,".
- 17 Page 7, line 23, strike "2027." and substitute "2028.".
- 18 Page 1, strike lines 107 through 110 and substitute "**THAT MAY BE**
19 **GRANTED TO HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANIES.**".

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