

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

February 26, 2025
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

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

HB25-1174 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 5, strike lines 1 through 12.
- 2 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.
- 3 Page 5, strike line 21 and substitute:
4 "(I) FOR INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES, EXCLUDING
5 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, RECEIVED AT".
- 6 Page 6, line 2, after "SERVICES;" add "AND".
- 7 Page 6, strike line 3 and substitute:
8 "(II) FOR INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES, EXCLUDING
9 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, RECEIVED AT AN".
- 10 Page 6, line 9, strike "SERVICES;" and substitute "SERVICES."
- 11 Page 6, strike lines 10 through 17.
- 12 Page 7, line 2, strike "(2)(a)(I)" and substitute "(2)(a)".
- 13 Page 12, strike lines 17 through 27.
- 14 Page 13, strike line 1.
- 15 Page 13, strike line 8 and substitute:
16 "(I) FOR INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES, EXCLUDING
17 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, RECEIVED AT".

1 Page 13, strike line 18 and substitute:
2 "(II) FOR INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SERVICES, EXCLUDING
3 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, RECEIVED AT AN".

4 Page 13, strike lines 25 through 27.

5 Page 14, strike lines 1 through 5.

6 Page 14, line 16, strike "(3)(a)(I)" and substitute "(3)(a)".

7 Page 15, strike lines 14 through 27.

8 Strike page 16.

9 Page 17, strike lines 1 through 15 and substitute:
10 "(b) BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2027, OF THE CALCULATED GENERAL FUND
11 EXPENDITURE SAVINGS IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT REQUIRED BY
12 SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
13 TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND:
14 (I) FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE HEALTH CARE
15 REIMBURSEMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY CASH FUND, CREATED IN SECTION
16 25.5-1-135 (5), TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY
17 AND FINANCING FOR THE FEASIBILITY STUDY REQUIRED IN SECTION
18 25.5-1-135;
19 (II) FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS
20 TO THE SUPPLIER DATABASE CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION
21 24-102-202.5 (2)(a), TO REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT FOR PAYING THE
22 ACTUAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DIVISION OF INSURANCE TO
23 IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 10-16-711 PURSUANT TO
24 SECTION 24-102-202.5 (2)(c); AND
25 (III) THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN THE REPORT SUBMITTED FOR THE
26 2026-27 STATE FISCAL YEAR PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS
27 SECTION THAT IS REMAINING AFTER THE STATE TREASURER TRANSFERS
28 THE AMOUNTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (7)(b)(I) AND (7)(b)(II) OF THIS
29 SECTION TO THE GROUP BENEFIT PLANS EXPENDITURE SAVINGS CASH FUND
30 CREATED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION TO BE USED AS SPECIFIED IN
31 SUBSECTION (8)(c) OF THIS SECTION.
32 (c) BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2028, AND BY SEPTEMBER 15 EACH YEAR
33 THEREAFTER, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER FROM THE
34 GENERAL FUND TO THE GROUP BENEFIT PLANS EXPENDITURE SAVINGS
35 CASH FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION AN AMOUNT
36 EQUAL TO THE CALCULATED GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE SAVINGS
37 IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS

1 SECTION, TO BE USED AS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (8)(c) OF THIS
2 SECTION."

3 Page 17, line 18, strike "(7)(b)(I),".

4 Page 17, strike line 19 and substitute "(7)(b)(III) AND (7)(c) OF THIS
5 SECTION AND ANY".

6 Page 17, strike lines 25 through 27.

7 Page 18, strike lines 1 through 19 and substitute:

8 "(c) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY, THE MONEY IN THE FUND SHALL BE USED AS FOLLOWS:

10 (I) FOR THE 2027-28 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL
11 YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL EXPEND MONEY FROM THE
12 FUND TO REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT FOR ITS COSTS IN DETERMINING
13 THE CALCULATED SAVINGS, IF ANY, IN GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
14 THAT RESULT FROM REDUCED PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENTS UNDER GROUP
15 BENEFIT PLANS IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING STATE FISCAL YEAR
16 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. AFTER MONEY IN THE FUND IS USED FOR THE
17 PURPOSE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (8)(c)(I), THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
18 SHALL APPROPRIATE THE MONEY REMAINING IN THE FUND AS SPECIFIED IN
19 SUBSECTION (8)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION.

20 (II) FOR THE 2027-28 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL
21 YEAR THEREAFTER, OF THE AMOUNT REMAINING AFTER THE REQUIREMENT
22 OF SUBSECTION (8)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION HAS BEEN SATISFIED, THE
23 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE, BASED ON THE ESTIMATES
24 PREPARED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8)(d) OF THIS SECTION, THE
25 FOLLOWING:

26 (A) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO TWENTY PERCENT OF THE REMAINING
27 AMOUNT TO THE GROUP BENEFIT PLANS RESERVE FUND CREATED IN
28 SECTION 24-50-613 TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO REDUCE GROUP
29 BENEFIT PLAN PREMIUM COSTS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES FOR THE
30 REMAINDER OF THE APPLICABLE STATE FISCAL YEAR;

31 (B) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO SIXTY PERCENT OF THE REMAINING
32 AMOUNT TO THE PRIMARY CARE FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-22-117
33 (2)(b) TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND
34 FINANCING FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THAT SECTION; AND

35 (C) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO TWENTY PERCENT OF THE REMAINING
36 AMOUNT TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SAFETY NET CASH FUND CREATED
37 IN SECTION 27-50-306 TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
38 SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THAT SECTION.

39 (d) BY JANUARY 15, 2026, AND BY JANUARY 15 EACH YEAR

1 THEREAFTER, THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING SHALL
2 SUBMIT TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE AN ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT
3 THAT WILL REMAIN IN THE FUND AFTER THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION
4 (8)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION HAS BEEN SATISFIED.

5 (9) (a) EACH CARRIER THAT PROVIDES OR ADMINISTERS A GROUP
6 BENEFIT PLAN PURSUANT TO THIS PART 6 SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL
7 SAVINGS THAT THE CARRIER REALIZES AS A RESULT OF THIS SECTION ARE
8 PASSED ON TO THE STATE. UPON REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR, A CARRIER
9 SHALL PROVIDE ALL DOCUMENTATION THAT DEMONSTRATES THAT THE
10 SAVINGS WERE PASSED ON TO THE STATE.

11 (b) IF THERE IS AN OVERAGE WHERE A CARRIER RETAINS ANY
12 PORTION OF THE SAVINGS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (9)(a) OF THIS
13 SECTION, THE CARRIER IS REQUIRED TO TRANSFER AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO
14 THE OVERAGE TO THE STATE."

15 Renumber succeeding subsection accordingly.

16 Page 20, line 4, strike "(7)(b)(II)" and substitute "(7)(b)(I)".

17 Page 20, line 16, strike "2027," and substitute "2028,".

18 Page 20, line 17, strike "2027." and substitute "2028.".

19 Page 21, line 7, strike "(6)(b)(I) AND (6)(c)." and substitute
20 "(8)(c)(II)(B).".

21 Page 21, after line 16 insert:

22 "SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-102-202.5, add
23 (2)(c) as follows:

24 **24-102-202.5. Supplier database - fees - cash fund - program**
25 **account.** (2) (c) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION
26 (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION, FOR THE 2025-26 AND 2026-27 STATE FISCAL
27 YEARS, MONEY IN THE SUPPLIER DATABASE CASH FUND MAY BE USED TO
28 REIMBURSE THE ACTUAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DIVISION OF
29 INSURANCE CREATED IN SECTION 10-1-103 TO IMPLEMENT SECTION
30 10-16-711.

31 (II) (A) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2025, THE STATE TREASURER
32 SHALL TRANSFER TWO HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED
33 THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS FROM THE SUPPLIER DATABASE CASH FUND TO THE
34 DIVISION OF INSURANCE CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 10-1-103 (3).

35 (B) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2026, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
36 TRANSFER TWO HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE
37 DOLLARS FROM THE SUPPLIER DATABASE CASH FUND TO THE DIVISION OF

1 INSURANCE CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 10-1-103 (3).
2 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 27-50-306 as
3 follows:
4 **27-50-306. Behavioral health safety net cash fund.** (1) THE
5 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SAFETY NET CASH FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE
6 TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND
7 PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-50-621 (8)(c)(II)(C) AND ANY OTHER MONEY
8 THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER TO THE
9 FUND.
10 (2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND
11 INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE
12 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SAFETY NET CASH FUND TO THE FUND.
13 (3) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY, THE DEPARTMENT MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND TO
15 SUPPORT THE CAPACITY OF COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL
16 HEALTH PROVIDERS TO DELIVER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SAFETY NET
17 SERVICES, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 27-50-301, TO PRIORITY
18 POPULATIONS."
19 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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