

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

March 26, 2025  
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

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

HB25-1297 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 12, strike "portion, (1)(b)(II)," and  
2 substitute "portion".
- 3 Page 2, line 13, strike "and (2)(e)" and substitute "(2)(e), and (6)".
- 4 Page 2, line 16, strike "**revenues.**" and substitute "**revenues - report on**  
5 **revenue and expenditures.**".
- 6 Page 3, lines 6 and 7, strike "THE COMMISSIONER" and substitute "IF THE  
7 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DISCONTINUES OR DECREASES THE ENHANCED  
8 FEDERAL "PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT" SUBSIDIES  
9 CREATED BY THE FEDERAL "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021",  
10 PUB.L. 117-2, AND EXTENDED BY THE FEDERAL "INFLATION REDUCTION  
11 ACT OF 2022", PUB.L. 117-169, 136 STAT. 1818 (2022), OR MONEY IS  
12 OTHERWISE INSUFFICIENT, THE ENTERPRISE".
- 13 Page 3, strike lines 9 through 13 and substitute "IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I)  
14 OF THIS SECTION TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO:".
- 15 Renumber succeeding subparagraph accordingly.
- 16 Page 3, line 14, strike "MAINTAINING" and substitute "MAINTAIN".
- 17 Page 3, strike lines 16 through 18 and substitute "REINSURANCE  
18 PROGRAM, PROVIDE SUBSIDIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO PURCHASE  
19 INSURANCE ON THE EXCHANGE AT THE 2026 SUBSIDY LEVELS  
20 RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD IN 2025, AND PROVIDE".

1 Page 3, line 21, strike "COVERING" and substitute "COVER".

2 Page 3, strike lines 24 and 25 and substitute:

3 "(C) COVER THE COSTS OF ENSURING THAT COLORADANS HAVE  
4 ACCESS TO LEGALLY PROTECTED HEALTH-CARE ACTIVITY, AS DEFINED IN  
5 SECTION 12-30-121 (1)(d).".

6 Page 3, line 27, after "THAN" insert "AUGUST 31, 2025, FOR THE 2026  
7 ASSESSMENT AND, FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS, NOT LATER THAN JUNE 1".

8 Page 4, line 1, strike "AUGUST 31".

9 Page 4, strike lines 6 through 8.

10 Page 4, strike lines 12 and 13 and substitute:

11 "(VII) TO COVER THE COSTS OF ENSURING COLORADANS HAVE  
12 ACCESS TO LEGALLY PROTECTED HEALTH-CARE ACTIVITIES, AS DEFINED IN  
13 SECTION 12-30-121 (1)(d).".

14 Page 5, strike lines 5 and 6 and substitute "HEALTH PLANS FOR  
15 INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVE PREMIUM TAX CREDITS ON THE EXCHANGE;".

16 Page 5, after line 17 insert:

17 "(6) BEGINNING JANUARY 15, 2026, AND NOT LATER THAN  
18 JANUARY 15 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REPORT  
19 ANNUALLY TO THE BOARD AND TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
20 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE HEALTH AND  
21 HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND TO  
22 THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE REVENUE AND  
23 EXPENDITURES OF THE ENTERPRISE, BY ENTERPRISE PROGRAM.".

24 Page 6, line 4, after "(4)(e)" insert "and (4.5)".

25 Page 6, after line 14 insert:

26 "(4.5) AT LEAST ANNUALLY, THE BOARD SHALL SEEK FORMAL  
27 INPUT FROM INDIVIDUALS DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY PROGRAMS FUNDED BY  
28 THE ENTERPRISE IN ORDER TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT OF THE  
29 PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE PROGRAMS.".

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