A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REPEAL DATE FOR THE TRANSFER OF MONEY FROM COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS TO THE HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR PERSONS TRANSITIONING FROM THE CRIMINAL OR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM CASH FUND, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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 http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning the Treatment of Persons with Mental Health Disorders in the Criminal and
Juvenile Justice Systems. In 2017, the general assembly enacted a provision requiring at the end of the 2016-17 fiscal year the state treasurer to transfer unexpended and unencumbered money appropriated for community corrections programs to a new fund to assist persons transitioning from the criminal or juvenile justice systems. The act repealed the provision in 2018.

The bill eliminates the repeal of the provision so that the transfer occurs at the end of each state fiscal year.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 17-27-108, amend (7) as follows:

17-27-108. Division of criminal justice of the department of public safety - duties - community corrections contracts. (7) (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2016, AND FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, any money appropriated from the general fund to the division of criminal justice for the purposes of this article 27 that is unexpended or unencumbered as of the close of that fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund, and the state treasurer and the controller shall transfer such money to the housing assistance for persons transitioning from the criminal or juvenile justice system cash fund created pursuant to section 24-32-721 (4)(d).

(b) This subsection (7) is repealed, effective July 1, 2018.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) For the 2018-19 state fiscal year, $60,788 is appropriated to the department of local affairs for use by the division of housing. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds transferred from the housing assistance for persons transitioning from the criminal or juvenile justice system line item appropriation to the division, and is based on an assumption that the division will require an additional
1.0 FTE. To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation for affordable housing program costs.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.