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HOUSE BILL 18-1118

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE HEALTH CARE LEGISLATIVE  
102 REVIEW COMMITTEE TO STUDY HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT  
103 AFFECT COLORADO RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

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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>.)*

The bill recreates the former health care task force, renamed as the health care legislative review committee, to study health care issues that affect Colorado residents throughout the state. The committee consists of the members of the house of representatives committees on health, insurance, and environment and on public health care and human services

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
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and the senate committee on health and human services. The committee is permitted to meet up to 6 times during the interim between legislative sessions, including 2 field trips, and as necessary when the general assembly is convened in a legislative session. The committee may recommend up to 5 bills per year, and bills recommended by the committee are exempt from bill limitations imposed under the joint rules of the general assembly.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **recreate and**  
3 **reenact, with amendments,** 10-16-221 as follows:

4           **10-16-221. Health care legislative review committee - creation**  
5 **- membership - duties - legislative proposals.** (1)(a) THE HEALTH CARE  
6 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE IS HEREBY CREATED IN ORDER TO STUDY  
7 HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT AFFECT COLORADO RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT  
8 THE STATE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

9           (I) EMERGING TRENDS IN COLORADO HEALTH CARE AND THEIR  
10 IMPACTS ON CONSUMERS, PROVIDERS, AND PAYERS;

11           (II) THE ABILITY OF CONSUMERS TO OBTAIN AND KEEP ADEQUATE,  
12 AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE;

13           (III) THE EFFECT OF CHANGES IN THE WAY HEALTH CARE IS  
14 DELIVERED AND PAID FOR;

15           (IV) TRENDS IN HEALTH CARE COVERAGE RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS,  
16 EMPLOYEES, AND EMPLOYERS AND IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HEALTH  
17 CARE SERVICES;

18           (V) ACCESS TO AND AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS AND  
19 WAIVERS OF FEDERAL LAW;

20           (VI) INNOVATIONS IN HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH CARE  
21 COVERAGE;

22           (VII) HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT ARISE IN OR ARE UNIQUE TO

1 RURAL AREAS OF THE STATE;  
2 (VIII) ACCESS TO TIMELY AND QUALITY HEALTH CARE AND  
3 EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION;  
4 (IX) OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF UNINSURED AND  
5 UNDERINSURED POPULATIONS;  
6 (X) ISSUES RELATED TO THE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE,  
7 INCLUDING NETWORK ADEQUACY AND THE ADEQUACY OF ACCESS TO  
8 PROVIDERS; AND  
9 (XI) ANY OTHER HEALTH CARE ISSUE AFFECTING COLORADO  
10 RESIDENTS THAT THE COMMITTEE DEEMS NECESSARY TO STUDY.

11 (b) THE COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO  
12 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING MATTERS STUDIED UNDER THIS  
13 SECTION. THE COMMITTEE MAY ANNUALLY RECOMMEND UP TO FIVE BILLS  
14 OR OTHER MEASURES TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CREATED IN SECTION  
15 2-3-301. BILLS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ARE EXEMPT FROM  
16 ANY APPLICABLE BILL LIMIT IMPOSED ON THE INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE  
17 MEMBERS SPONSORING THE BILLS IF THE BILLS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY  
18 THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15 IN  
19 EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND NOVEMBER 15 IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS IN  
20 ACCORDANCE WITH THE JOINT RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

21 (2) (a) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE  
22 OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEES ON HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND  
23 ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE  
24 SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OR THEIR  
25 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

26 (b) THE CHAIR OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON  
27 HEALTH, INSURANCE, AND ENVIRONMENT OR ITS SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE

1 SHALL CHAIR THE COMMITTEE IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND SERVE AS  
2 THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS. THE CHAIR  
3 OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OR ITS  
4 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE SHALL CHAIR THE COMMITTEE IN ODD-NUMBERED  
5 YEARS AND SERVE AS THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN  
6 EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

7 (c) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE  
8 THE USUAL PER DIEM AND NECESSARY TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE  
9 EXPENSES AS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-307 FOR MEMBERS OF  
10 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHO ATTEND INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

11 (d) THE STAFF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND OF THE OFFICE  
12 OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES SHALL ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN  
13 CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.

14 (3) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET NO MORE THAN SIX TIMES EACH  
15 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM, UNLESS ADDITIONAL MEETINGS ARE AUTHORIZED  
16 BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND MAY  
17 MEET AS NECESSARY WHEN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS CONVENED IN A  
18 LEGISLATIVE SESSION. OF THE MEETINGS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS  
19 SUBSECTION (3), THE COMMITTEE MAY TAKE UP TO TWO FIELD TRIPS PER  
20 YEAR IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DUTIES MANDATED UNDER THIS SECTION.

21 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
22 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
23 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.