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**HOUSE BILL 24-1015** 

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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

## 101 CONCERNING SUICIDE PREVENTION EDUCATION IN THE WORKPLACE.

### **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 <a href="http://leg.colorado.gov">http://leg.colorado.gov</a>.)

The bill requires the division of labor standards and statistics in the department of labor and employment to create and make available to employers suicide prevention education posters and notices.

Starting July 1, 2025, employers are required to display the suicide prevention education posters in their workplaces and certain employers are required to include the suicide prevention education notices in documents provided to employees.

The office of suicide prevention within the department of public

health and environment must create a website to provide information about workplace suicide prevention. The bill requires the suicide prevention education posters to include a quick response (QR) code and a website link to connect to the website.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 8-14.4-110 as 3 follows: 4 8-14.4-110. Suicide prevention education in the workplace -5 posters and notices - rules. (1) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1, 2025, THE 6 DIVISION SHALL CREATE AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYERS SUICIDE 7 PREVENTION EDUCATION POSTERS AND NOTICES THAT MEET THE 8 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION. 9 (2) THE SUICIDE PREVENTION EDUCATION POSTERS AND NOTICES 10 CREATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION MUST: 11 (a) INCLUDE AN OVERVIEW OF MULTIPLE SUICIDE PREVENTION 12 TRAINING PROGRAMS; 13 (b) Provide educational materials on the need to reduce 14 ACCESS TO MEANS OF SELF-HARM STATISTICALLY OVER-REPRESENTED IN 15 LETHAL OUTCOMES, PARTICULARLY FIREARMS, AND INFORMATION ON 16 FIREARM LOCKING DEVICES, SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS, AND 17 OUT-OF-HOME FIREARM STORAGE OPTIONS: 18 (c) Include information on the 988 Suicide and Crisis 19 LIFELINE, INCLUDING NOTIFICATION THAT THE HOT LINE INCLUDES TEXT 20 MESSAGING AND MULTILINGUAL OPTIONS; AND 21 (d) FEATURE A QUICK RESPONSE CODE, OR QR CODE, AND A 22 WEBSITE LINK THAT CONNECTS TO A LANDING PAGE SPECIFICALLY FOR 23 WORKPLACE SUICIDE PREVENTION THAT THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE

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1	PREVENTION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND
2	ENVIRONMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-1.5-112.5 CREATES.
3	(3) On and after July 1, 2025, each employer shall:
4	(a) DISPLAY THE POSTER CREATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION $(1)$
5	OF THIS SECTION IN A CONSPICUOUS AND ACCESSIBLE LOCATION IN EACH
6	ESTABLISHMENT WHERE THE EMPLOYER'S EMPLOYEES WORK;
7	(b) When publishing or distributing to employees a
8	HANDBOOK, MANUAL, OR WRITTEN OR POSTED POLICY, INCLUDE A COPY
9	OF THE NOTICE THAT THE DIVISION CREATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
10	(1) OF THIS SECTION WITH THE HANDBOOK, MANUAL, OR POLICY. EACH
11	EMPLOYER THAT REQUIRES EMPLOYEES TO SIGN A HANDBOOK, MANUAL,
12	OR POLICY SHALL, AT THE SAME TIME OR PROMPTLY THEREAFTER, INCLUDE
13	A COPY OF THE NOTICE THAT THE DIVISION CREATED PURSUANT TO
14	SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND HAVE THE EMPLOYEE SIGN AN
15	ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF HAVING BEEN PROVIDED THE NOTICE.
16	(c) REQUEST THAT THE DIVISION PROVIDE A VERSION OF THE
17	NOTICE CREATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION IN ANY
18	LANGUAGE SPOKEN BY FIVE PERCENT OR MORE OF THE EMPLOYER'S
19	WORKFORCE. THE EMPLOYER SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE NOTICE IN
20	ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (3)(b) OF THIS SECTION TO EMPLOYEES
21	WHOSE DOMINANT LANGUAGE IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE NOTICE.
22	(4) THE DIVISION MAY PROMULGATE RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS
23	SECTION.
24	<b>SECTION 2.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, <b>add</b> 25-1.5-112.5 as
25	follows:
26	25-1.5-112.5. Workplace suicide prevention education website.
27	(1) THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

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1	DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A PUBLIC WEBSITE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION
2	ABOUT WORKPLACE SUICIDE PREVENTION.
3	(2) THE WEBSITE MUST:
4	(a) SERVE AS A LANDING PAGE FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO, THROUGH
5	USE OF A QUICK RESPONSE CODE, OR QR CODE, OR A WEBSITE LINK ARE
6	DIRECTED FROM A COPY OF THE SUICIDE PREVENTION EDUCATION POSTER
7	THAT THE DIVISION OF LABOR STANDARDS AND STATISTICS IN THE
8	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT CREATED PURSUANT TO
9	SECTION 8-14.4-110 (1);
10	(b) INCLUDE TOOLKITS FOR MULTIPLE SUICIDE PREVENTION
11	TRAINING PROGRAMS;
12	(c) Provide additional resources for assisting an
13	INDIVIDUAL IN CRISIS;
14	(d) INCLUDE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS FOR EMPLOYEES SEEKING
15	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT SUICIDE PREVENTION;
16	(e) STATE THAT EMPLOYEES MAY BE ENTITLED TO MENTAL HEALTH
17	SCREENINGS FREE OF OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS; AND
18	(f) Provide educational materials on the need to reduce
19	ACCESS TO MEANS OF SELF-HARM STATISTICALLY OVER-REPRESENTED IN
20	LETHAL OUTCOMES, PARTICULARLY FIREARMS, AND INFORMATION ON
21	FIREARM LOCKING DEVICES, SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS, AND
22	OUT-OF-HOME FIREARM STORAGE OPTIONS.
23	SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds,
24	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25	preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
26	the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
27	institutions.

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