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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING PERMITTING A NAME CHANGE FOR A PERSON CONVICTED
102	OF A FELONY TO CONFORM WITH THE PERSON'S GENDER

103 IDENTITY.

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 <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

Current law specifies the conditions a person must meet in order to change the person's name if the person was convicted of a felony. Among those conditions is that the person must show good cause to be able to change the person's name to a name different from the name the person was convicted under. Reading Unamended April 2, 2024

2nd

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HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended March 1, 2024

> Amended 2nd Reading February 23, 2024

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The bill states that good cause includes changing the petitioner's name to conform with the petitioner's gender identity.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 1 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-15-101, amend 3 (3) introductory portion and (3)(b) as follows: 4 13-15-101. - proceedings - applicability. Petition 5 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (2) 6 SUBSECTION (2)(b) of this section, the court may grant a petition for a 7 change of name of FOR a petitioner who was previously convicted of a 8 felony in this state or any other state, or adjudicated a juvenile delinquent 9 for an offense that would constitute a felony if committed by an adult in 10 this state or any other state or under federal law, if the court finds that the 11 petitioner must have a legal name change in order to be issued FOR THE 12 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO ISSUE A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR 13 IDENTIFICATION CARD in that name a driver's license or identification card 14 from the department of revenue and if all of the following requirements 15 are met: 16 (b) (I) The proposed name change is to a name under which the 17 petitioner was convicted or adjudicated; except that, for good cause, the 18 court may allow a change to a OF name other than a THE name under 19 which the petitioner was convicted or adjudicated; 20 (II) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (3)(b), GOOD CAUSE 21 INCLUDES CHANGING THE PETITIONER'S NAME TO CONFORM WITH THE 22 PETITIONER'S GENDER IDENTITY. 23 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-15-102, amend 24 (4) as follows:

25 **13-15-102.** Publication of change. (4) (a) A petitioner need not

give public notice of a name change as required by subsection (1) of this
 section if the petitioner is changing the petitioner's name to conform with
 the petitioner's gender identity.

4 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION, THE
5 COURT MAY REQUIRE A PETITIONER TO GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE OF A NAME
6 CHANGE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION IF THE NAME
7 CHANGE IS REQUESTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 13-15-101 (3)(b) AND IS
8 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE PETITIONER'S NAME TO CONFORM
9 WITH THE PETITIONER'S GENDER IDENTITY.

10 SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, 11 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 12 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for 13 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state 14 institutions.