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**HOUSE BILL 24-1252**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE SUICIDE PREVENTION**  
102 **COMMISSION.**

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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/>.)*

**Sunset Process - House Health and Human Services Committee.** The suicide prevention commission created in the department of public health and environment is scheduled to repeal on September 1, 2024. Pursuant to the recommendation in the department of regulatory agencies' sunset review and report, the bill continues the suicide prevention commission indefinitely.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
March 12, 2024

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
March 11, 2024

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal**  
3 **(15)(a)(III); and add (25)(a)(III)** as follows:

4           **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees - legislative**  
5 **declaration - definition - repeal.** (15) (a) The following statutory  
6 authorizations for the designated advisory committees are scheduled for  
7 repeal on September 1, 2024:

8           ~~(III) The suicide prevention commission created in section~~  
9 ~~25-1.5-111, C.R.S.;~~

10           **(25)(a)** The following statutory authorizations for the designated  
11 advisory committees will repeal on September 1, 2034:

12           ~~(III) THE SUICIDE PREVENTION COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION~~  
13 ~~25-1.5-111.~~

14           **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1.5-111, **amend**  
15 **(2)(a) introductory portion, (2)(a)(VII), (2)(a)(XVII), (2)(a)(XIX),**  
16 **(2)(a)(XXII), (2)(b), and (6)(a); and repeal (2)(a)(XX), (2)(a)(XXI)** as  
17 follows:

18           **25-1.5-111. Suicide prevention commission - created -**  
19 **responsibilities - gifts, grants, or donations - reimbursement for**  
20 **expenses - definition.** (2) (a) ~~Within sixty days after May 29, 2014, The~~  
21 ~~executive director of the department of public health and environment~~  
22 ~~shall appoint to the commission no more than twenty-six TWENTY- TWO~~  
23 ~~members, including:~~

24           ~~(VII) A representative from~~ **OF the Suicide Prevention Coalition**  
25 **of Colorado OR A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SUICIDE PREVENTION**  
26 **NONPROFIT COMMUNITY;**

1 (XVII) A representative ~~from~~ OF the agricultural and ranching  
2 industry FROM A RURAL AREA;

3 (XIX) ~~At least three members~~ A REPRESENTATIVE of the Colorado  
4 business community ~~one of whom represents~~ FROM a rural area;

5 (XX) ~~One representative of the suicide prevention nonprofit~~  
6 ~~community;~~

7 (XXI) ~~A representative from a nonprofit community service club;~~

8 (XXII) A representative ~~from an interfaith organization~~ OF THE  
9 FAITH COMMUNITY;

10 (b) When appointing the commission members, the executive  
11 director OF THE DEPARTMENT shall ensure that persons of ~~different~~  
12 VARIOUS RACIAL AND ethnic backgrounds AND IDENTITIES are represented  
13 and that the regions of the state with high suicide rates, including rural  
14 areas, are represented and that the commission includes members with  
15 ~~expertise~~ FAMILIARITY with, KNOWLEDGE OF, and LEADERSHIP OF groups  
16 associated with high suicide rates and suicide attempts, including: Persons  
17 with disabilities; working-age men; senior adults; veterans and  
18 active-duty military personnel; lesbian, gay, bisexual, NONBINARY,  
19 TWO-SPIRIT, and transgender youth and adults; and Coloradans of  
20 disproportionately affected diversities and ~~genders~~ GENDER EXPRESSIONS.

21 (6) (a) This section is repealed, effective ~~September 1, 2024~~  
22 ~~SEPTEMBER 1, 2034.~~

23 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date -**  
24 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following  
25 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the  
26 general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant  
27 to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an

1 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,  
2 section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the  
3 general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take  
4 effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the  
5 governor.

6 (2) This act applies to appointments to the suicide prevention  
7 commission made on or after the applicable effective date of this act.