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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING FISCAL POLICY FOR THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
102	CERTAIN LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS BASED ON NEED, AND, IN
103	CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING ORGANIZATIONAL
104	MODIFICATIONS TO THE GRANTS FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX
105	ASSISTANCE AND HEAT OR FUEL EXPENSES ASSISTANCE, ENDING
106	SUCH GRANTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH A DISABILITY BEGINNING
107	JANUARY 1, 2025, AND CREATING AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR
108	QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WITH A DISABILITY TO CLAIM FOR TAX
109	YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025.

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 SENATE nd Reading Unamended May 6, 2024

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applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill changes the "Property Tax/Rent/Heat Credit Rebate" (PTC). Under current law, the PTC is available to qualifying seniors and individuals with a disability who earn income below a threshold amount and who pay real property tax, or a tax equivalent through rent, or heat or fuel expenses, or an equivalent through rent. Under current law, 2 sections of statute provide for the PTC. The first section provides the PTC for assistance in the payment of real property tax and the second section provides the PTC for assistance in the payment of heat or fuel expenses. The bill eliminates the second statutory section and combines both types of PTC, into the first statutory section. The bill also updates certain dollar values used to calculate the PTC to their current levels. Additionally, the PTC, for tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2025, will only be available to qualifying seniors.

Qualified individuals with a disability for tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2025, are allowed an income tax credit. Eligibility with respect to disability mirrors the eligibility as it exists under current law for the PTC. The income tax credit is allowed in the following amounts:

- \$1,200 for a qualified individual filing a single return with adjusted gross income less than or equal to \$10,000 or for 2 qualified individuals, or a qualified individual and a nonqualified individual, filing a joint return with adjusted gross income less than or equal to \$16,000;
- \$1,000 for a qualified individual filing a single return with adjusted gross income between \$10,001 and \$12,500 or for 2 qualified individuals, or a qualified individual and a nonqualified individual, filing a joint return with adjusted gross income between \$16,001 and \$20,000;
- \$800 for a qualified individual filing a single return with adjusted gross income between \$12,501 and \$15,000 or for 2 qualified individuals, or a qualified individual and a nonqualified individual, filing a joint return with adjusted gross income between \$20,001 and \$24,000;
- \$600 for a qualified individual filing a single return with adjusted gross income between \$15,001 and \$17,500 or for 2 qualified individuals, or a qualified individual and a nonqualified individual, filing a joint return with adjusted gross income between \$24,001 and \$28,000; and
- \$400 for a qualified individual filing a single return with adjusted gross income between \$17,501 and \$20,000 or for 2 qualified individuals, or a qualified individual and a nonqualified individual, filing a joint return with adjusted

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gross income between \$28,001 and \$32,000.

The department of revenue must adjust the amounts of the credit and the amounts of adjusted gross income annually for inflation.

An individual who is a qualifying senior and a qualified individual with a disability and would meet the eligibility requirements to claim both the income tax credit and the PTC can only claim one or the other in the same income tax year.

The bill also makes conforming amendments.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-31-101, amend 3 (1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(c)(I), (1)(d), (2)(d), (4), (5)(a), (5)(c), and (5)(d); repeal4 (2.5); and add (1)(c)(III), (1.5), (2.1), and (5)(e) as follows: 5 39-31-101. Real property tax - tax equivalent - assistance -6 heat or fuel expenses assistance - eligibility - applicability - definitions 7 - repeal. (1) (a) Individuals having resided within this state for the entire 8 taxable year who are sixty-five years of age or older during the taxable 9 year shall be ARE eligible for a grant to be determined with respect to the 10 income taxes imposed by article 22 of this title based upon TITLE 39, 11 SUBJECT TO THE ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS 12 SECTION, TO AID IN the payment by such persons INDIVIDUALS of: 13 (I) Real estate taxes, including taxes on mobile homes, or trailer 14 coach specific ownership tax on, or tax-equivalent payments with respect 15 to, such residences occupied by such persons; subject to the additional 16 qualification requirements of this section; INDIVIDUALS; OR 17 (II) HEAT OR FUEL EXPENSES FOR RESIDENCES OCCUPIED BY SUCH 18 INDIVIDUALS. 19 (b) (I) Spouses are treated as jointly qualifying for the grant under 20 paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION 21 if either spouse meets the age requirement and they jointly meet all the

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1	limitations of subsection (3) of this section. In all cases spouses must file
2	one joint claim.
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3	(II) A surviving spouse WHO IS fifty-eight years of age or older
4	shall be treated as qualifying QUALIFIES for the grant under paragraph (a)
5	of this subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION if such THE
6	surviving spouse meets all the limitations imposed by subsection (3) of
7	this section.
8	(c) (I) BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2025, the grant authorized by this
9	section shall IS also be allowed to individuals having resided in this state
10	for the entire taxable year and coming within the limitations imposed by
11	subsection (3) of this section who, regardless of age, have a disability
12	during the entire taxable year to a degree sufficient to qualify for the
13	payment to them of full benefits from any bona fide public or private plan
14	or source based solely upon such disability.
15	(III) This subsection (1)(c) is repealed, effective December
16	31, 2030.
17	(d) (I) Eligibility under more than one provision of this subsection
18	(1) shall not operate to DOES NOT increase the amount of any grant
19	available to an individual or spouses under subsection (2) of this section;
20	EXCEPT THAT, AN INDIVIDUAL OR SPOUSES MAY CLAIM THE GRANT UNDER
21	BOTH SUBSECTIONS (1)(a)(I) AND (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION, IF
22	APPLICABLE.
23	(II) This subsection $(1)(d)$ is repealed, effective December
24	31, 2030.
25	(1.5) (a) The grant set forth in subsection (1) of this
26	SECTION IS ALLOWED AS FOLLOWS:
27	(I) AN INDIVIDUAL OR SPOUSES CLAIMING THE GRANT PURSUANT

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1	TO SUBSECTION (1)(a)(1) OR (1)(c) OF THIS SECTION MAY CLAIM THE
2	GRANT IN AN AMOUNT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION;
3	(II) AN INDIVIDUAL OR SPOUSES CLAIMING THE GRANT PURSUANT
4	TO SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION MAY CLAIM THE GRANT IN AN
5	AMOUNT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2.1) OF THIS SECTION; AND
6	(III) AN INDIVIDUAL OR SPOUSES CLAIMING THE GRANT PURSUANT
7	TO BOTH SUBSECTIONS (1)(a)(I) AND (1)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION MAY
8	CLAIM THE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
9	SECTION PLUS THE AMOUNT SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2.1) OF THIS
10	SECTION.
11	(b) (I) THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1.5)(a) OF THIS SECTION
12	APPLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL CLAIMING THE GRANT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
13	(1)(c) OF THIS SECTION.
14	(II) This subsection $(1.5)(b)$ is repealed, effective December
15	31, 2030.
16	(2) A grant is the amount of the general property taxes actually
17	paid on the residence or the amount of taxes actually paid on a mobile
18	home, plus any tax-equivalent payments computed pursuant to subsection
19	(4) of this section, with respect to the rent of a trailer space during the
20	year for which the grant is claimed, the amount of the specific ownership
21	tax actually paid on a trailer coach, or the amount of the tax-equivalent
22	payments, computed pursuant to subsection (4) of this section, actually
23	made during the year for which such grant is claimed, but in no event may
24	it exceed:
25	(d) For a grant claimed for the 2019 THE 2023 calendar year,
26	either seven hundred thirty-five EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO dollars
27	reduced by ten percent of the claimant's income over the phase-out

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amount or the PROPERTY TAX flat grant amount, whichever amount is greater. For a grant claimed for years commencing on or after January 1, 2020 JANUARY 1, 2024, either the maximum grant amount allowed under this subsection (2)(d) for the prior year, adjusted for inflation and reduced by ten percent of the claimant's income over the phase-out amount, or the PROPERTY TAX flat grant amount, whichever amount is greater.

- (2.1) FOR A GRANT CLAIMED FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR, EITHER TWO HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS REDUCED BY TEN PERCENT OF THE CLAIMANT'S INCOME OVER THE PHASE-OUT AMOUNT OR THE HEAT OR FUEL EXPENSES FLAT GRANT AMOUNT, WHICHEVER AMOUNT IS GREATER. FOR A GRANT CLAIMED FOR YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2024, EITHER THE MAXIMUM GRANT AMOUNT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (2.1) FOR THE PRIOR YEAR, ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION AND REDUCED BY TEN PERCENT OF THE CLAIMANT'S INCOME OVER THE PHASE-OUT AMOUNT, OR THE HEAT OR FUEL EXPENSES FLAT GRANT AMOUNT, WHICHEVER AMOUNT IS GREATER.
- (2.5) In 2000 and in every even-numbered year thereafter, the finance committees of the senate and the house of representatives shall examine the grant amounts and reduction percentages set forth in subsection (2) of this section, considering the level of the federal poverty index and such other information as is available to the committees, and shall determine whether said amounts and percentages should be modified.
- (4) (a) The tax-equivalent amount for persons INDIVIDUALS otherwise qualified who paid rent for the right to occupy premises as a residence during the taxable year is twenty percent of the actual rent paid during the taxable year, not including any charge for utilities or food, FOR

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THE PURPOSES OF CALCULATING THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.

- (b) To qualify as a tax-equivalent payment SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION, rent must have been paid as a part of a bona fide tenancy or leasing agreement and shall DOES not include any portion of payments made to institutions or facilities commonly known as nursing homes but shall DOES include rent paid for the use of a mobile home or paid on trailer space if paid as a part of a bona fide tenancy.
- (c) For individuals otherwise qualified who paid heat or fuel expenses indirectly as part of their rental payments, it is presumed that ten percent of the actual rent paid during the taxable year was for heat or fuel expenses for the purpose of calculating the amount of the grant pursuant to subsection (2.1) of this section. For rental payments to qualify under subsection (1)(a)(II) of this section, they must have been paid as a part of a bona fide tenancy or lease agreement. Rental payments made to institutions or facilities commonly known as nursing homes do not qualify, but rental payments for the use of a mobile home qualify if paid as a part of a bona fide tenancy or lease agreement.
 - (5) As used in this section:
- (a) "Flat grant amount" means an amount equal to two hundred thirty-eight dollars for the 2019 calendar year, and for each year thereafter the amount for the prior year adjusted for inflation. "Heat or fuel expenses flat grant amount" means an amount equal to ninety-two dollars for the 2023 calendar year, and for each year thereafter the amount for the prior year adjusted for

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1	INFLATION.
2	(c) "Maximum eligible income amount" means:
3	(I) For an individual, income that is less than or equal to fifteen
4	thousand one hundred ninety-two EIGHTEEN THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX
5	dollars for the 2019 THE 2023 calendar year and for each year thereafter,
6	the amount for the prior year adjusted for inflation; and
7	(II) For spouses, income that is less than or equal to twenty
8	thousand five hundred eighteen TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE
9	HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE dollars for the 2019 THE 2023 calendar year and for
10	each year thereafter, the amount for the prior year adjusted for inflation.
11	(d) "Phase-out amount" means:
12	(I) In the case of an individual, an amount equal to eight thousand
13	one hundred sixty-nine NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY-TWO
14	dollars for the 2019 THE 2023 calendar year and for each year thereafter,
15	the amount for the prior year adjusted for inflation; and
16	(II) In the case of spouses, an amount equal to thirteen thousand
17	two hundred five FIFTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT dollars
18	for the 2019 THE 2023 calendar year and for each year thereafter, the
19	amount for the prior year adjusted for inflation.
20	(e) "PROPERTY TAX FLAT GRANT AMOUNT" MEANS AN AMOUNT
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22	YEAR, AND FOR EACH YEAR THEREAFTER THE AMOUNT FOR THE PRIOR
23	YEAR ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION.
24	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-31-102, amend
25	(1)(a), (2), (3), and (6); and repeal (5) as follows:
26	39-31-102. Procedures to obtain grant - department of revenue
27	- responsibilities. (1) (a) A grant authorized by section 39-31-101 or

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39-31-104 shall MUST be paid from the reserve for refunds created by section 39-22-622. Payments shall MUST be made on a quarterly basis, with the amount of each payment equal to the total amount of the grant divided by the number of quarters remaining in the calendar year in which the grant is awarded, with the calculation including the quarter in which the grant is awarded. Claimants meeting all qualification requirements for an entire taxable year shall be ARE entitled to a grant allowable pursuant to section 39-31-101. or 39-31-104 Grants paid pursuant to this subsection (1) shall MUST be included for informational purposes in the general appropriation bill or in supplemental appropriation bills for the purpose of complying with the limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by section 20 of article X of the state constitution and section 24-77-103. C.R.S.

(2) The executive director shall prescribe the forms to be used for the grants authorized by section 39-31-101 or 39-31-104 AND THE CREDIT ALLOWED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-31-104.5 and prepare any instructions related to the forms. The executive director may create an electronic form to be used in addition to the paper form. If a sales tax refund is allowed for any given income tax year in accordance with section 39-22-2002, the executive director shall include provisions on the forms to allow qualified individuals to apply for the refund pursuant to section 39-22-2003 (5)(c). To receive a grant OR CREDIT, an individual must claim the grant OR CREDIT on the executive director's form.

(3) (a) If two or more persons INDIVIDUALS, other than spouses, are entitled to a grant authorized by section 39-31-101 or 39-31-104 it A CREDIT ALLOWED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-31-104.5, THE GRANT OR CREDIT may be claimed by either or any of such persons meeting the

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1 qualifications therefor THE INDIVIDUALS. When two or more persons 2 INDIVIDUALS claim the grant OR CREDIT for the same residence, the 3 executive director is authorized to determine the proper allocation of such 4 THE grant OR CREDIT. 5 (b) No grant OR CREDIT received pursuant to this section shall be 6 ARTICLE 31 IS treated as income for purposes of determining the eligibility 7 of any person INDIVIDUAL for old age pension benefits under article 2 of 8 title 26. C.R.S. 9 (5) Any person who is claimed as an exemption for purposes of 10 the Colorado income tax by any other person for the taxable year shall be 11 ineligible for the grant authorized by this section. 12 (6) The grant AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 39-31-101 for heat or fuel 13 expenses shall in no case NOT exceed the amount of the heat or fuel 14 expenses actually paid, and A GRANT shall not be made unless the 15 appropriate form claiming the same is filed with the department of 16 revenue on or before the expiration of twenty-four months after the end 17 of the taxable year for which such credit or refund THE GRANT is claimed. 18 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 39-31-104. 19 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 39-31-104.5 as 20 follows: 21 39-31-104.5. Tax credit for assistance for individuals with a 22 disability - tax preference performance statement - legislative 23 **declaration - definitions.** (1) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND 24 DECLARES THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 39-21-304, THE TAX 25 EXPENDITURE CREATED IN THIS SECTION IS INTENDED TO REDUCE NET 26 TAXES PAID BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS. SPECIFICALLY THE TAX 27 EXPENDITURE IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE THROUGH AN INCOME

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1	TAX CREDIT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH A DISABILITY WHO DO NOT HAVE
2	INCOME ABOVE A CERTAIN THRESHOLD AMOUNT.
3	(b) The general assembly and the state auditor shall
4	MEASURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TAX EXPENDITURE IN ACHIEVING
5	THE PURPOSE SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION BASED ON
6	THE NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS WHO HAVE CLAIMED THE CREDIT AND THE
7	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CREDITS CLAIMED.
8	(2) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise
9	REQUIRES:
10	(a) "CREDIT" MEANS THE CREDIT AGAINST INCOME TAX THAT IS
11	CREATED IN THIS SECTION.
12	(b) "INFLATION" MEANS THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN
13	THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR
14	STATISTICS, CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD
15	FOR ALL ITEMS AND ALL URBAN CONSUMERS, OR ITS SUCCESSOR INDEX.
16	$\left(c\right)\left(I\right)$ "Qualified individual" means a resident individual
17	WHO HAS A DISABILITY DURING THE ENTIRE INCOME TAX YEAR TO A
18	DEGREE SUFFICIENT TO QUALIFY FOR THE PAYMENT TO THE INDIVIDUAL OF
19	FULL BENEFITS FROM ANY BONA FIDE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PLAN OR SOURCE
20	BASED SOLELY UPON SUCH DISABILITY.
21	(II) AN INDIVIDUAL HAS A DISABILITY FOR PURPOSES OF
22	SUBSECTION $(2)(c)(I)$ of this section if the individual is unable to
23	ENGAGE IN ANY SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY BY REASON OF ANY
24	MEDICALLY DETERMINABLE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENT THAT CAN
25	BE EXPECTED TO RESULT IN DEATH OR THAT HAS LASTED FOR A
26	CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN TWELVE MONTHS.
27	(3) FOR INCOME TAX YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY

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1	$1,2025, \mathtt{A}$ QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL IS ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX
2	IMPOSED BY ARTICLE 22 OF THIS TITLE 39 IN AN AMOUNT SET FORTH IN
3	SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.
4	(4) (a) THE CREDIT MAY BE CLAIMED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO:
5	(I) ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR:
6	(A) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A SINGLE RETURN WHO HAS
7	A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TEN
8	THOUSAND DOLLARS;
9	(B) Two qualified individuals filing a joint return with a
10	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SIXTEEN
11	THOUSAND DOLLARS; OR
12	(C) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL
13	FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME LESS
14	THAN OR EQUAL TO SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS;
15	(II) ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR:
16	(A) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A SINGLE RETURN WHO HAS
17	A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TEN THOUSAND
18	DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED
19	DOLLARS;
20	(B) Two qualified individuals filing a joint return with a
21	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN SIXTEEN THOUSAND
22	DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS; OR
23	(C) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL
24	FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
25	GREATER THAN SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL
26	TO TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS;
27	(III) EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR:

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1	(A) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A SINGLE RETURN WHO HAS
2	A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TWELVE THOUSAND
3	FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND
4	DOLLARS;
5	(B) Two qualified individuals filing a joint return with a
6	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TWENTY THOUSAND
7	DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND
8	DOLLARS; OR
9	(C) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL
10	FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
11	GREATER THAN TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL
12	TO TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS;
13	(IV) SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR:
14	(A) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A SINGLE RETURN WHO HAS
15	A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN FIFTEEN THOUSAND
16	DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE
17	HUNDRED DOLLARS;
18	(B) Two qualified individuals filing a joint return with a
19	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TWENTY-FOUR
20	THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWENTY-EIGHT
21	THOUSAND DOLLARS; OR
22	(C) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL
23	FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
24	GREATER THAN TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR
25	EQUAL TO TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS; AND
26	(V) FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR:
27	(A) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A SINGLE RETURN WHO HAS

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1	A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN SEVENTEEN
2	THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWENTY
3	THOUSAND DOLLARS;
4	(B) Two qualified individuals filing a joint return with a
5	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TWENTY-EIGHT
6	THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO THIRTY-TWO
7	THOUSAND DOLLARS; OR
8	(C) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL
9	FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
10	GREATER THAN TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR
11	EQUAL TO THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.
12	(b) (I) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WHO FILES A SINGLE RETURN AND
13	HAS A FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN TWENTY
14	THOUSAND DOLLARS IS NOT ALLOWED A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.
15	(II) Two qualified individuals, or a qualified individual
16	AND A NONQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL, WHO FILE A JOINT RETURN WITH A
17	FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME GREATER THAN THIRTY-TWO
18	THOUSAND DOLLARS ARE NOT ALLOWED A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.
19	(c) (I) The department of revenue shall annually adjust
20	FOR INFLATION THE CREDIT AMOUNTS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF
21	THIS SECTION IF CUMULATIVE INFLATION SINCE THE LAST ADJUSTMENT,
22	WHEN APPLIED TO THE CURRENT CREDIT AMOUNTS, RESULTS IN AN
23	INCREASE OF AT LEAST TEN DOLLARS WHEN THE ADJUSTED CREDIT
24	AMOUNTS ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST TEN DOLLARS.
25	(II) THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL ANNUALLY ADJUST FOR
26	INFLATION THE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME AMOUNTS SET FORTH IN
27	SUBSECTIONS (4)(a) AND (4)(b) OF THIS SECTION IF CUMULATIVE

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1	INFLATION SINCE THE LAST ADJUSTMENT, WHEN APPLIED TO THE CURRENT
2	ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME AMOUNTS, RESULTS IN AN INCREASE OF AT
3	LEAST ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS WHEN THE ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
4	AMOUNTS, AS ADJUSTED, ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST ONE HUNDRED
5	DOLLARS.
6	(5) If the credit exceeds the income taxes due on the
7	QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL'S INCOME, THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT NOT USED
8	TO OFFSET INCOME TAXES IS NOT CARRIED FORWARD AND MUST BE
9	REFUNDED TO THE QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.
10	(6) A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WHO CLAIMS THE CREDIT CANNOT IN
11	THE SAME TAX YEAR ALSO CLAIM THE GRANT ALLOWED PURSUANT TO
12	SECTION 39-31-101.
13	(7) The credit received pursuant to this section is not
14	TREATED AS INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE ELIGIBILITY OF
15	ANY INDIVIDUAL FOR OLD AGE PENSION BENEFITS UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF
16	TITLE 26.
17	(8) Notwithstanding section 39-21-304 (4), the credit
18	CONTINUES INDEFINITELY.
19	(9) THE CREDIT ALLOWED BY THIS SECTION IS ADMINISTERED IN
20	THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER CREDITS AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY
21	ARTICLE 22 OF THIS TITLE 39.
22	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 39-31-105 as
23	follows:
24	39-31-105. Executive director - rule-making - collection of
25	erroneous payments - waiver. (1) The executive director of the
26	department of revenue may promulgate rules necessary for the
27	administration of this article ARTICLE 31. Such rules shall be promulgated

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1	in accordance with article 4 of title 24. C.K.S.
2	(2) If the department of revenue incorrectly pays a grant under
3	section 39-31-101 or 39-31-104 as a result of a departmental error, the
4	executive director of the department may waive the reimbursement of the
5	grant and any related interest or penalties that accrue.
6	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-120, amend
7	(5)(c)(I) as follows:
8	39-22-120. Legislative declaration - state sales tax refund -
9	offset against state income tax. (5) (c) (I) Notwithstanding any
10	provision of paragraph (b) of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF
11	THIS SECTION to the contrary, a qualified individual as defined in
12	subparagraph (II) or (IV) of paragraph (a) of subsection (2) SUBSECTION
13	(2)(a)(II) OR (2)(a)(IV) of this section who claims a property tax OR HEAT
14	OR FUEL assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-101 or a heat or fuel
15	expenses assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-104 may claim a
16	refund authorized by this section on the assistance grant application form
17	described in section 39-31-102 (2). Claiming a refund on such assistance
18	grant application form shall be in lieu of claiming the refund on an
19	income tax return pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (5)
20	SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION. Any refund claimed pursuant to this
21	paragraph (e) shall SUBSECTION (5)(c) MUST be claimed on or before April
22	15, 1999.
23	SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-2003, amend
24	(5)(c)(I) as follows:
25	39-22-2003. State sales tax refund - offset against state income
26	tax - qualified individuals. (5) (c) (I) Notwithstanding any provision of
27	paragraph (b) of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION

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to the contrary, a qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (II) or (IV) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OR (1)(a)(IV) of this section who claims a property tax OR HEAT OR FUEL assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-101 or a heat or fuel expenses assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-104 may claim a refund authorized by this section on the assistance grant application form described in section 39-31-102 (2). Claiming a refund on such assistance grant application form shall be in lieu of claiming the refund on an income tax return pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION. Any refund claimed pursuant to this paragraph (c) SUBSECTION (5)(c) shall be claimed on or before April 15 of the calendar year following the tax year for which the refund is being claimed.

SECTION 8. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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