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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE SERVICES FOR

102 SENIORS AWAITING ADMISSION TO A LIFE CARE INSTITUTION.

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>)

Under current law, life care institutions provide life and health support services to resident seniors who reside at the life care institution through the help of independent living arrangements, assisted living, or skilled nursing. The bill allows life care institutions to provide community-based continuing care services to seniors in their homes and other services that benefit individuals who are awaiting admission to a life care institution.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 11-49-101 as 3 follows: 4 11-49-101. Definitions. As used in this article 49, unless the 5 context otherwise requires: 6 (1) "Aged person" means any person sixty-two years of age or 7 older. 8 (2) "Board" means the financial services board created in section 9 11-44-101.6. 10 (3) "Commissioner" means the state commissioner of financial 11 services, serving in accordance with section 11-44-102. 12 (4) "COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE" OR "CBCC" MEANS 13 A PROGRAM PROVIDING OR COMMITTING TO PROVIDE A RANGE OF 14 SERVICES TO A PARTICIPANT PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT EFFECTIVE FOR 15 THE LIFE OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PAYMENT OF 16 A ONE-TIME ENTRANCE FEE OR A MONTHLY FEE. "COMMUNITY-BASED 17 CONTINUING CARE" OR "CBCC" ALSO MEANS THE PROVISION OF SERVICES 18 TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE INDIVIDUAL'S PRIVATE RESIDENCE, WHEN 19 MEDICALLY FEASIBLE, AND PROVIDING FACILITY-BASED LONG-TERM CARE 20 SERVICES, WHEN REQUIRED, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY THROUGH 21 AFFILIATED SERVICES OR CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS. 22 (5) "COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE ENTRANCE FEE" OR 23 "CBCC ENTRANCE FEE" MEANS AN INITIAL OR DEFERRED TRANSFER TO A 24 CBCC PROVIDER OF A SUM OF MONEY OR OTHER PROPERTY MADE OR 25 PROMISED TO BE MADE IN ADVANCE OR AT SOME FUTURE TIME AS FULL OR PARTIAL CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF AN INDIVIDUAL AS A
 PARTICIPANT.

3 (6) "COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE PROVIDER" OR "CBCC
4 PROVIDER" MEANS A PROVIDER WHO PROVIDES OR OFFERS TO PROVIDE
5 COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE TO A PARTICIPANT AND HAS
6 OPERATED A LIFE CARE INSTITUTION PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 49 FOR
7 AT LEAST THREE YEARS.

8 (4) (7) "Entrance fee" means the total of any initial or deferred
9 transfer to or for the benefit of a provider MADE PURSUANT TO A LIFE
10 CARE CONTRACT, which transfer:

(a) Is made or promised to be made as full or partial consideration
for the acceptance or maintenance of a specified individual as a resident
in a facility; and

- 14 (b) Is in the form of:
- 15 (I) Property; or

(II) A sum of money in an amount that is greater than four times
the amount of a regular periodic charge under a life care contract at the
facility.

19 (5) (8) "Facility" means the place WITH LIVING UNITS in which a
 20 provider undertakes to provide life care to a resident.

(6) (9) "Life care" means care provided, MADE AVAILABLE TO A
RESIDENT OF A LIVING UNIT BY A PROVIDER pursuant to a life care
contract, for the life of an aged person, including, but not limited to,
services such as occupancy of a living unit, health care, nutrition
assistance, medical services, and nursing services within a living unit
BOARD, LODGING, NURSING SERVICES, OR OTHER SERVICES REQUIRED BY
A LIFE CARE CONTRACT.

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1 (7) (10) "Life care contract" means a written contract to provide 2 life care to a person for the duration of the person's life conditioned upon 3 the transfer of an entrance fee to the provider of the services in addition 4 to or in lieu of the payment of regular periodic charges for the LIFE care 5 and services involved. A life care contract under which the entrance fee 6 is payable to or for the provider in four or more installments is subject to 7 the provisions of the "Uniform Consumer Credit Code", articles 1 to 9 of 8 title 5.

9 (8) (11) "Living unit" means a room, apartment, or other area that 10 is within a facility and set aside for the use of one or more identified 11 residents and within which life care is provided MADE AVAILABLE by the 12 provider. A resident's living unit may change based on the appropriate 13 care needs of the resident.

14 (12) "PARTICIPANT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS ENTERED
15 INTO A COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE CONTRACT.

16 (9) (13) "Person" means all corporations, associations,
17 partnerships, or individuals, including fraternal or benevolent orders or
18 societies.

19 (14) "PRIVATE RESIDENCE" MEANS THE PLACE WHERE A CBCC
20 PROVIDER PROVIDES CBCC TO A PARTICIPANT AND DOES NOT INCLUDE A
21 LIVING UNIT OR A FACILITY.

(10) (15) (a) "Provider" means a person who undertakes to
provide services in a facility pursuant to a life care contract.

(b) "Provider" does not include a unit owners' association, as
defined in section 38-33.3-103 (3).

26 (16) "RANGE OF SERVICES" MEANS SERVICES THAT ENABLE A
27 PARTICIPANT TO LIVE SAFELY IN THE PARTICIPANT'S PRIVATE RESIDENCE.

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(11) (17) "Resident" means any person entitled pursuant to a life
 care contract to receive life care in a facility.

3 (12)(18) "Third-party service providers" means any person, other
4 than a provider, who is the holder of a management contract with a
5 provider or who contracts with a provider to provide life care services to
6 residents.

7 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 11-49-103, amend
8 (2) as follows:

9 **11-49-103.** Withdrawal or dismissal of person - refund. (2) If 10 the provider is an organization described in section 501 (c)(3) of the 11 federal "Internal Revenue Code of 1986", as amended, and exempt from 12 income taxation under section 501 (a) of the federal "Internal Revenue 13 Code of 1986", as amended, it shall be OR HAS A POLICY NOT TO 14 TERMINATE A RESIDENT'S LIFE CARE CONTRACT DUE TO THE INABILITY TO 15 PAY IF THE RESIDENT IS OTHERWISE COMPLIANT WITH THE LIFE CARE 16 CONTRACT, THE PROVIDER IS entitled to make a refund according to a 17 schedule provided in its agreement with the resident so long as the 18 schedule provides for amortization of the amount paid by the resident 19 over a period of not less than sixty months or over the life expectancy of 20 the resident if the expectancy is less than sixty months. In such case, the 21 refund may be delayed for a reasonable period thereafter until the 22 securing by the provider of a substitute fee from another resident or 23 prospective resident. The provider may also deduct from any such refund 24 amounts due it from the resident for damage done or for any other 25 legitimate offsetting item.

26 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 11-49-105, add (4)
27 as follows:

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1 11-49-105. Reserve requirements. (4) A CBCC PROVIDER SHALL
 MAINTAIN SEPARATE RESERVES TIED TO AN ACTUARIAL ASSESSMENT, IN
 THE FORM AND MANNER REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSIONER, IN ORDER FOR
 THE PROVIDER TO FULLY PERFORM ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER ITS
 COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE CONTRACTS.

6 SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 11-49-106, amend
7 (1), (2), and (3) as follows:

8 **11-49-106. Annual report by providers - fee.** (1) Each A 9 provider AND CBCC PROVIDER shall file an annual report REPORTS with 10 the commissioner within ninety days after the end of its THEIR fiscal year 11 that contains CONTAIN the certified financial statements for each facility 12 OR PROGRAM and such other information as may be required by the 13 commissioner. The annual report shall REPORTS MUST be made in a form 14 prescribed by the commissioner.

(2) A provider AND CBCC PROVIDER shall amend its THEIR annual
 report REPORTS on file with the commissioner if an amendment is
 necessary to prevent the report REPORTS from containing a material
 misstatement of fact or omission of a material fact.

(3) A provider AND CBCC PROVIDER shall make its THEIR annual
 report REPORTS available to residents OR PARTICIPANTS upon request.

SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 11-49-107 as
 follows:

11-49-107. Examination - fees. The commissioner may conduct
an examination of the affairs of any A provider OR CBCC PROVIDER as
often as the commissioner deems it necessary for the protection of the
interests of the people of this state. Providers AND CBCC PROVIDERS shall
maintain copies of their books and records in Colorado to provide access

1 for the purposes of this article 49. The commissioner shall assess each 2 provider at least semiannually, to cover the annual direct and indirect 3 costs of examinations, supervision, and administration conducted 4 pursuant to the provisions of this section. The assessments shall MUST be 5 calculated in terms of cents per thousand dollars of total escrowed 6 entrance fees and reserves maintained. The assessment calculation, or 7 ratio of the assessment charged to total escrowed entrance fees and 8 reserves maintained, shall MUST be alike in all cases. On or before the 9 dates specified by the commissioner, each association PROVIDER AND 10 CBCC PROVIDER shall pay its assessment. If deemed necessary, the 11 commissioner may estimate a per diem rate to be charged for 12 examinations and charge a provider OR CBCC PROVIDER for the actual 13 cost of any examination documented by the commissioner.

SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 11-49-109 as
follows:

16 11-49-109. Violation. Any A person acting in the capacity of a
17 provider OR CBCC PROVIDER who enters into a life care contract OR
18 CBCC CONTRACT, or extends the term of an existing life care contract OR
19 CBCC CONTRACT, without acting in compliance with the provisions of
20 this article 49 commits a class 2 misdemeanor.

21 SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 11-49-111, add (2),
22 (3), and (4) as follows:

11-49-111. Life care contract and CBCC contract - content.
(2) A COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUED CARE CONTRACT MUST BE WRITTEN
IN A CLEAR AND COHERENT MANNER USING WORDS WITH COMMON AND
EVERYDAY MEANINGS AND MUST:

27 (a) Show the value of all property transferred, including

DONATIONS, SUBSCRIPTIONS, FEES, AND ANY OTHER AMOUNTS PAID OR
 PAYABLE BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, THE PARTICIPANT;

3 (b) Show all services that are provided by the CBCC
4 PROVIDER TO THE PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANT, INCLUDING, IN DETAIL, ALL
5 ITEMS THAT THE PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE, WHETHER THE ITEMS WILL BE
6 PROVIDED FOR A DESIGNATED TIME PERIOD OR FOR THE LIFE OF THE
7 PARTICIPANT, AND THE MONTHLY CHARGE FOR THE SERVICE;

8 (c) BE ACCOMPANIED BY A FINANCIAL STATEMENT SHOWING IN
9 REASONABLE DETAIL THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE CBCC PROVIDER,
10 INCLUDING A STATEMENT OF EARNINGS FOR THE PREVIOUS THIRTY-SIX
11 MONTHS, THAT MUST BE FURNISHED TO THE PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANT;
12 (d) DESCRIBE THE PHYSICAL HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE PARTICIPANT UNDER WHICH THE CBCC
PROVIDER MAY REQUIRE THE PARTICIPANT TO END THEIR PARTICIPATION
IN THE PROGRAM;

16 (e) DESCRIBE THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A PARTICIPANT
17 MAY REMAIN IN THE PROGRAM IN THE EVENT THAT A PARTICIPANT IS
18 UNABLE TO PRODUCE A REQUIRED PAYMENT;

(f) (I) PROVIDE THAT THE CBCC PROVIDER SHALL NOT CANCEL A
COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE CONTRACT WITH THE PARTICIPANT
WITHOUT SHOWING GOOD CAUSE. GOOD CAUSE IS LIMITED TO THE
FOLLOWING:

23 (A) PROOF THAT THE PARTICIPANT IS A DANGER TO THEMSELF OR
24 OTHERS;

25 (B) PERSISTENT NONPAYMENT BY THE PARTICIPANT OF A
26 MONTHLY OR PERIODIC FEE;

27 (C) REPEATED CONDUCT BY THE PARTICIPANT THAT INTERFERES

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WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS' QUIET ENJOYMENT OF A FACILITY OR SERVICE;
 (D) PERSISTENT REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH WRITTEN RULES AND
 REGULATIONS OF THE PROGRAM;

4 (E) A MATERIAL MISREPRESENTATION MADE INTENTIONALLY OR 5 RECKLESSLY BY THE PARTICIPANT IN THEIR APPLICATION FOR 6 PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM, OR RELATED MATERIALS, REGARDING 7 INFORMATION THAT, IF ACCURATELY PROVIDED, WOULD RESULT IN EITHER 8 THE PARTICIPANT NOT QUALIFYING FOR PARTICIPATION OR A MATERIAL 9 INCREASE IN THE COST OF PROVIDING THE CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED 10 UNDER THE CBCC CONTRACT TO THE PARTICIPANT; OR

(F) A MATERIAL BREACH BY THE PARTICIPANT OF THE TERMS AND
12 CONDITIONS OF THE COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE CONTRACT.

13 (II) IF A CBCC PROVIDER INTENDS TO CANCEL A CBCC CONTRACT 14 AND TERMINATE A PARTICIPANT'S PARTICIPATION, THE PROVIDER MUST 15 GIVE THE PARTICIPANT WRITTEN NOTICE OF, AND A REASONABLE 16 OPPORTUNITY TO CURE WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD, THE CONDUCT 17 THAT WARRANTS THE CANCELLATION OF THE CBCC CONTRACT. THE 18 NOTICE MUST SPECIFY WHICH OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN 19 SUBSECTION (2)(f)(I) OF THIS SECTION OCCURRED THAT WARRANTS 20 TERMINATION OF THE CBCC CONTRACT.

(g) PROVIDE IN CLEAR AND UNDERSTANDABLE LANGUAGE, IN
PRINT NO LARGER THAN THE LARGEST TYPE USED IN THE BODY OF THE
CBCC CONTRACT, THE TERMS GOVERNING A REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE
CBCC ENTRANCE FEE AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE CBCC PROVIDER
MAY USE THE FUNDS FROM THE CBCC ENTRANCE FEE IF NOT REFUNDED;
(h) STATE THE TERMS THAT A CBCC CONTRACT IS CANCELLED BY
THE DEATH OF THE PARTICIPANT. THE CBCC CONTRACT MAY CONTAIN A

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PROVISION TO THE EFFECT THAT, UPON THE DEATH OF THE PARTICIPANT,
 THE MONEY PAID FOR THE COMMUNITY-BASED CONTINUING CARE OF THE
 PARTICIPANT IS CONSIDERED EARNED AND IS PROPERTY OF THE CBCC
 PROVIDER.

5 (i) PROVIDE A PARTICIPANT WITH AT LEAST A THIRTY-DAY NOTICE
6 PRIOR TO A CHANGE IN FEES, CHARGES, OR THE SCOPE OF CARE OR
7 SERVICES, EXCEPT FOR CHANGES REQUIRED BY STATE OR FEDERAL LAW.

8 (3) A PARTICIPANT HAS THE RIGHT TO RESCIND A CBCC 9 CONTRACT AND RECEIVE A FULL REFUND OF THE CBCC ENTRANCE FEE 10 WITHIN SEVEN DAYS AFTER MAKING AN INITIAL DEPOSIT OR EXECUTING 11 THE CBCC CONTRACT. A PARTICIPANT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BEGIN THE 12 PROVISION OF CARE OR SERVICES OUTLINED IN THE PARTICIPANT'S CBCC 13 CONTRACT BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE SEVEN-DAY PERIOD.

14 (4) IF A PARTICIPANT DIES BEFORE THE PROGRAM BEGINS, OR IS 15 PRECLUDED FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM DUE TO ILLNESS, 16 INJURY, OR INCAPACITY, THE CONTRACT AUTOMATICALLY RESCINDS AND 17 THE PARTICIPANT OR THE PARTICIPANT'S LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE MUST 18 RECEIVE A FULL REFUND OF ALL MONEY PAID TO THE CBCC PROVIDER, 19 EXCEPT COSTS SPECIFICALLY INCURRED BY THE CBCC PROVIDER AT THE 20 REQUEST OF THE PARTICIPANT AND SET FORTH IN WRITING IN A SEPARATE 21 ADDENDUM SIGNED BY BOTH PARTIES TO THE CONTRACT.

SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 11-49-112, amend
(1) introductory portion and (1)(f); and repeal (1)(e) as follows:

11-49-112. Register. (1) Every provider AND CBCC PROVIDER
shall maintain a register setting forth the following facts concerning each
person OR PARTICIPANT residing in the A life care institution OR
RECEIVING CBCC:

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- (e) Mother's maiden name;

2 The person responsible for each resident's care and (f)3 maintenance; AND

4 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 11-49-113 as 5 follows:

6 11-49-113. Advertisements and solicitations of life care 7 contracts and CBCC contracts - requirements. Any report, circular, 8 public announcement, certificate, or financial statement, or any other 9 printed matter or advertising material that is designed for or used to solicit 10 or induce persons to enter into any life care contract OR CBCC 11 CONTRACT, and that lists or refers to the name of any individual or 12 organization as being interested in or connected with the person, 13 association, or corporation to perform the contract, shall MUST clearly 14 state the extent of financial responsibility assumed by that individual or 15 organization for the person, association, or corporation and the fulfillment 16 of its contracts.

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SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-28-115, amend 18 (2)(b)(II) as follows:

19 30-28-115. Public welfare to be promoted - legislative 20 **declaration - construction.** (2) (b) (II) The general assembly declares 21 that the establishment of group homes for the aged for the exclusive use 22 of not more than eight persons sixty years of age or older per home is a 23 matter of statewide concern. The general assembly further finds and declares that it is the policy of this state to enable and assist persons sixty 24 25 years of age or older who do not need nursing facilities and who so elect 26 to live in normal residential surroundings, including single-family 27 residential units. Group homes for the aged shall MUST be distinguished

1 from nursing facilities, as defined in section 25.5-4-103 (14) SECTION 2 25.5-4-103, and institutions providing life care, as defined in section 3 11-49-101 (6) SECTION 11-49-101. Every county having adopted or that 4 shall adopt THAT ADOPTS a zoning ordinance shall provide for the location 5 of group homes for the aged. A group home for the aged established 6 under this subsection (2)(b)(II) shall MUST not be located within seven 7 hundred fifty feet of another such group home, unless otherwise provided 8 for by the county.

9 SECTION 11. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 31-23-303, amend 10 (2)(b)(II) as follows:

11 **31-23-303.** Legislative declaration. (2) (b) (II) The general 12 assembly declares that the establishment of group homes for the aged for 13 the exclusive use of not more than eight persons sixty years of age or 14 older per home is a matter of statewide concern. The general assembly 15 further finds and declares that it is the policy of this state to enable and 16 assist persons sixty years of age or older who do not need nursing 17 facilities, and who so elect, to live in normal residential surroundings, 18 including single-family residential units. Group homes for the aged shall 19 MUST be distinguished from nursing facilities, as defined in section 20 25.5-4-103 (14) SECTION 25.5-4-103, and institutions providing life care, 21 as defined in section 11-49-101 (6) SECTION 11-49-101. Every 22 municipality having adopted or that shall adopt THAT ADOPTS a zoning 23 ordinance shall provide for the location of group homes for the aged. A 24 group home for the aged established under this subsection (2)(b) shall 25 MUST not be located within seven hundred fifty feet of another such group 26 home, unless otherwise provided for by the municipality. Nothing in this 27 subsection (2)(b) shall be construed to exempt the group homes from

compliance with any state, county, or municipal health, safety, and fire
codes. On April 29, 1976, every person sixty years of age or older who
resides in a skilled or intermediate health-care facility and who may be
transferred or discharged therefrom to a group home for the aged shall not
be so discharged or transferred unless he or she has received ninety days'
advance written notice thereof or has agreed in writing to the proposed
transfer or discharge.

8 **SECTION 12.** Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 9 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 10 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except 11 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V 12 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this 13 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take 14 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 15 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 16 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.