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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING**
102 **PREVENTION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND**
103 **ENVIRONMENT.**

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/>.)

Colorado Youth Advisory Council Committee. The bill establishes the office of disordered eating prevention (office) in the department of public health and environment (department).

The office and the department are required to:

- Create and maintain a resource bank for research,

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intervention methods, treatment resources, information on crisis services, awareness programs, and educational resources regarding disordered eating prevention and care in Colorado;

- Collaborate with the office of suicide prevention, the behavioral health administration, and organizations within the health-care industry to close gaps in care and provide support to individuals with disordered eating who transition out of inpatient care, facilitate public outreach, and increase awareness regarding disordered eating prevention and care with a focus on impacted communities, such as youth, people of color, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals;
- Create outreach resources directing youth on how to seek care for disordered eating and how to report concerns for other youth, with a focus on impacted communities, such as lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender youth and youth of color;
- Partner with the department of education to inform teachers, administrators, school staff, students, and parents on disordered eating preventions and treatment for youth;
- Collaborate with advocacy groups, including faith-based organizations, to support a shift in public perception regarding health-care systems and disordered eating treatment and prevention;
- Coordinate the disordered eating prevention research grant program; and
- Prepare written information for primary care offices and providers throughout the state. The information must be culturally specific concerning how to recognize and respond to a patient with disordered eating and include separate written information for providers and information that may be shared with an adult patient or a youth patient and the caregivers of the youth patient.

The bill creates the disordered eating prevention commission (commission) in the department. The commission will have 17 members with professional or personal connections to disordered eating prevention. The purpose of the commission is to:

- Provide public and private leadership on disordered eating prevention in Colorado;
- Set statewide, data-driven, evidence-based, and clinically informed priorities for disordered eating prevention in Colorado;
- Serve as the advisor to the office of disordered eating prevention;

1 DISORDERED EATING BUT LESS LIKELY TO RECEIVE EATING DISORDER
2 TREATMENT, CREATING A DISPROPORTIONATE GAP IN EATING DISORDER
3 PREVENTION AND CARE; AND

4 (e) THERE IS LIMITED STATE-SPECIFIC RESEARCH ON DISORDERED
5 EATING AND ITS IMPACTS ON THE STATE OF COLORADO.

6 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS, THEREFORE, THAT TO
7 UNDERSTAND DISORDERED EATING AND ITS IMPACTS ON COLORADANS,
8 THE STATE MUST FOCUS ON DEVELOPING RESEARCH AND RESOURCES TO
9 EDUCATE COLORADANS ON THE SEVERITY OF DISORDERED EATING AND
10 SUPPORT COLORADANS WHO DEVELOP DISORDERED EATING. IT IS ALSO
11 IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT DISORDERED EATING HARMS AND
12 INCREASES THE MORTALITY RATE OF PEOPLE OF COLOR; LESBIAN, GAY,
13 BISEXUAL, OR TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS; AND YOUTH.

14 **25-20.5-2002. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 20, UNLESS THE
15 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

16 (1) "COMMISSION" MEANS THE DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION
17 COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 25-20.5-2004.

18 (2) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
19 AND ENVIRONMENT CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-1-102.

20 (3) "DISORDERED EATING" MEANS A RANGE OF IRREGULAR EATING
21 DISORDERS THAT MAY WARRANT A DIAGNOSIS.

22 (4) "DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION RESEARCH GRANT
23 PROGRAM" OR "GRANT PROGRAM" MEANS THE DISORDERED EATING
24 PREVENTION RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION
25 25-20.5-2005.

26 (5) "OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION" MEANS THE
27 OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION CREATED IN SECTION

1 25-20.5-2003.

2 (6) "YOUTH" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LESS THAN
3 TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE.

4 **25-20.5-2003. Office of disordered eating prevention - creation**
5 **- reports.** (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2024, THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED
6 EATING PREVENTION IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE
7 AUSPICES OF THE PREVENTION SERVICES DIVISION, ESTABLISHED IN
8 SECTION 25-20.5-103. THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION
9 SERVES AS THE COORDINATOR FOR EATING DISORDER PROGRAMS
10 THROUGHOUT THE STATE, INCLUDING THE DISORDERED EATING
11 PREVENTION RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM.

12 (2) THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING
13 PREVENTION SHALL:

14 (a) CREATE AND MAINTAIN A RESOURCE BANK FOR RESEARCH,
15 INTERVENTION METHODS, TREATMENT RESOURCES, INFORMATION ON
16 CRISIS SERVICES, AWARENESS PROGRAMS, AND EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES
17 REGARDING DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION AND CARE IN COLORADO.
18 THE RESOURCE BANK MUST BE YOUTH-FRIENDLY, CULTURALLY SENSITIVE,
19 AND, WHEN POSSIBLE, AVAILABLE IN BOTH ENGLISH AND SPANISH. IN
20 CREATING THE RESOURCE BANK, THE DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF
21 DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION SHALL SOLICIT INPUT FROM PERSONS,
22 INCLUDING YOUTH AND ADULTS, WITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF THE MENTAL
23 HEALTH PROFESSION, INCLUDING BOTH COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL MENTAL
24 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS.

25 (b) COLLABORATE WITH THE OFFICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION,
26 CREATED IN SECTION 25-1.5-101 (1)(w), THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
27 ADMINISTRATION CREATED IN SECTION 27-50-102, AND ORGANIZATIONS

1 WITHIN THE HEALTH-CARE INDUSTRY TO CLOSE GAPS IN CARE, PROVIDE
2 SUPPORT TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISORDERED EATING WHO TRANSITION OUT
3 OF INPATIENT CARE, FACILITATE PUBLIC OUTREACH, AND INCREASE
4 AWARENESS REGARDING DISORDERED EATING PREVENTIONS AND CARE
5 WITH A FOCUS ON IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, SUCH AS YOUTH, PEOPLE OF
6 COLOR, AND LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS;

7 (c) CREATE OUTREACH RESOURCES DIRECTING YOUTH ON HOW TO
8 SEEK CARE FOR DISORDERED EATING AND HOW TO REPORT CONCERN FOR
9 OTHER YOUTH. THE OUTREACH RESOURCES MUST HAVE A FOCUS ON
10 IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, SUCH AS LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND
11 TRANSGENDER YOUTH AND YOUTH OF COLOR.

12 (d) PARTNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INFORM
13 TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SCHOOL STAFF, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS ON
14 DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF YOUTH;

15 (e) COLLABORATE WITH ADVOCACY GROUPS, INCLUDING
16 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, TO SUPPORT A SHIFT IN PUBLIC PERCEPTION
17 REGARDING HEALTH-CARE SYSTEMS AND DISORDERED EATING TREATMENT
18 AND PREVENTION;

19 (f) COORDINATE THE DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION RESEARCH
20 GRANT PROGRAM; AND

21 (g) PREPARE WRITTEN INFORMATION FOR PRIMARY CARE OFFICES
22 AND PROVIDERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. THE INFORMATION MUST BE
23 CULTURALLY SPECIFIC CONCERNING HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND RESPOND TO
24 A PATIENT WITH DISORDERED EATING AND INCLUDE SEPARATE WRITTEN
25 INFORMATION FOR PROVIDERS AND INFORMATION THAT MAY BE SHARED
26 WITH AN ADULT PATIENT OR A YOUTH PATIENT AND THE CAREGIVERS OF
27 THE YOUTH PATIENT.

1 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS,
2 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE
3 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

4 (4) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), ON OR
5 BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2024, AND EVERY NOVEMBER 1 THEREAFTER, THE
6 OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE
7 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE
8 PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF
9 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, A
10 REPORT THAT SUMMARIZES THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE
11 COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-20.5-2004 (4) AND THE
12 INFORMATION THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES REGARDING THE DISORDERED
13 EATING PREVENTION RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION
14 25-20.5-2005 (3)(b). THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION
15 SHALL INCLUDE IN THE REPORT ANY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IT
16 HAS TO IMPROVE DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION IN THE STATE.

17 **25-20.5-2004. Disordered eating prevention commission -**
18 **creation - responsibilities - repeal.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE
19 DEPARTMENT THE DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION COMMISSION. THE
20 PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION IS TO:

21 (a) PROVIDE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LEADERSHIP ON DISORDERED
22 EATING PREVENTION IN COLORADO;

23 (b) SET STATEWIDE, DATA-DRIVEN, EVIDENCE-BASED, AND
24 CLINICALLY INFORMED PRIORITIES FOR DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION
25 IN COLORADO;

26 (c) SERVE AS THE ADVISOR TO THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING
27 PREVENTION;

1 (d) ESTABLISH AND LEAD SUBGROUPS TO SET STRATEGY AND
2 IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING
3 PREVENTION. SUBGROUP TOPICS MAY INCLUDE HOSPITALIZATION,
4 INSURANCE, HEALTH CARE, AND YOUTH.

5 (e) PROVIDE A FORUM FOR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, COMMUNITY
6 MEMBERS, AND LAWMAKERS TO EXAMINE THE CURRENT STATUS OF
7 DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION POLICIES;

8 (f) PROVIDE A FORUM FOR YOUTH AND TO FOCUS ON YOUTH
9 ISSUES;

10 (g) PROVIDE A FORUM FOR DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES TO SUPPORT
11 AND INFORM DIVERSE COMMUNITIES;

12 (h) PROVIDE A FORUM FOR PERSPECTIVES FROM RURAL
13 COMMUNITIES TO SUPPORT AND INFORM RURAL COMMUNITIES; AND

14 (i) DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION.

15 (2) (a) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2024, THE EXECUTIVE
16 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPOINT TO THE COMMISSION THE
17 FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

18 (I) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING
19 PREVENTION IN THE DEPARTMENT, WHICH OFFICE IS THE ADMINISTRATOR
20 AND COORDINATOR OF THE COMMISSION;

21 (II) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
22 ADMINISTRATION, CREATED IN SECTION 27-50-102;

23 (III) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COLORADO YOUTH ADVISORY
24 COUNCIL, CREATED IN SECTION 2-2-1302;

25 (IV) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM HIGHER EDUCATION;

26 (V) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM K-12 EDUCATION;

27 (VI) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A COLORADO-BASED MENTAL

1 HEALTH ORGANIZATION;

2 (VII) A LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL;

3 (VIII) A PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR;

4 (IX) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A HOSPITAL;

5 (X) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A TREATMENT FACILITY THAT

6 SPECIALIZES IN INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT DISORDERED EATING CARE;

7 (XI) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN INSURANCE PROVIDER;

8 (XII) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT

9 SPECIALIZES IN DISORDERED EATING TREATMENT AND CARE;

10 (XIII) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

11 THAT SPECIALIZES IN DISORDERED EATING TREATMENT AND CARE;

12 (XIV) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN INTERFAITH ORGANIZATION;

13 (XV) A PERSON WHO LIVES IN AN URBAN AREA, HAS HAD AN

14 EATING DISORDER, RECOVERED, AND IS NOW THRIVING;

15 (XVI) A PERSON WHO LIVES IN A RURAL AREA, HAS HAD AN

16 EATING DISORDER, RECOVERED, AND IS NOW THRIVING; AND

17 (XVII) A FAMILY MEMBER OF A PERSON WHO HAS EXPERIENCED

18 DISORDERED EATING.

19 (b) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

20 APPOINT COMMISSION MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT DIVERSE RACIAL,

21 CULTURAL, SOCIOECONOMIC, GENDER, AND ABILITY GROUPS.

22 (c) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL

23 APPOINT TWO COMMISSION MEMBERS TO SERVE AS CO-CHAIRS OF THE

24 COMMISSION.

25 (d) MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SERVE WITHOUT

26 COMPENSATION; EXCEPT THAT THE MEMBERS MAY SEEK REIMBURSEMENT

27 FOR MEETING EXPENSES AS APPROPRIATE.

1 (e) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER HOLDING VIRTUAL
2 MEETINGS AND SCHEDULING MEETINGS OUTSIDE OF BUSINESS HOURS TO
3 ALLOW YOUTH MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE.

4 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COORDINATE ALL COMMISSION
5 ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING MEETING LOGISTICS, AGENDA DEVELOPMENT,
6 FOLLOW-UP AFTER MEETINGS, AND ORGANIZING AND ORIENTING
7 COMMISSION MEMBERS.

8 (4) THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION SHALL
9 INCLUDE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION DESCRIBED IN
10 SUBSECTION (1)(i) OF THIS SECTION IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED TO
11 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-20.5-2003 (4).

12 (5) (a) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2033.

13 (b) PRIOR TO THE REPEAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY
14 AGENCIES SHALL REVIEW THE COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION
15 2-3-1203.

16 **25-1.5-2005. Disordered eating prevention research grant**
17 **program - creation - process - reporting requirements - definitions -**
18 **repeal.** (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
19 REQUIRES:

20 (a) "ELIGIBLE APPLICANT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, NONPROFIT
21 ORGANIZATION, OR FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT CONDUCTS
22 RESEARCH ON DISORDERED EATING AND PREVENTION IN YOUTH AND
23 ADULTS OR SERVES YOUTH AND ADULTS WHO HAVE DISORDERED EATING
24 TRAITS.

25 (b) "GRANT RECIPIENT" MEANS AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT THAT THE
26 DEPARTMENT SELECTS TO RECEIVE MONEY THROUGH THE GRANT
27 PROGRAM.

1 (2) (a) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE DISORDERED
2 EATING PREVENTION RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM. THE PURPOSE OF THE
3 GRANT PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE
4 APPLICANTS TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON RISK FACTORS FOR DISORDERED
5 EATING IN YOUTH AND ADULTS, THE IMPACT DISORDERED EATING HAS ON
6 COLORADO, OR PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS FOR DISORDERED EATING
7 THAT EXAMINE AND ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES FOR DISORDERED EATING.

8 (b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM IN
9 CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION.

10 (c) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024, THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED
11 EATING PREVENTION SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
12 DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT PROGRAM,
13 AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT GUIDELINES FOR THE GRANT
14 PROGRAM. THE GUIDELINES MUST INCLUDE:

15 (I) APPLICATION PROCEDURES BY WHICH ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS
16 MAY APPLY FOR A GRANT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION;

17 (II) CRITERIA TO USE IN SELECTING ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS TO
18 RECEIVE GRANT MONEY AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF GRANT
19 MONEY TO BE AWARDED TO EACH GRANT RECIPIENT; AND

20 (III) PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT
21 PROGRAM, INCLUDING THE DATES THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF
22 DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION ANNOUNCE THE GRANT PROGRAM,
23 BEGIN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS, ALLOW ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT
24 APPLICATIONS, AND BEGIN DISTRIBUTING GRANT MONEY TO THE
25 GRANTEES.

26 (d) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL GRANT AT LEAST ONE-QUARTER OF
27 THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TO THE GRANT PROGRAM TO GRANT

1 RECIPIENTS WHOSE RESEARCH FOCUSES ON DISORDERED EATING IN YOUTH.

2 (3) (a) EACH GRANT RECIPIENT SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT
3 TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER THE EXPIRATION
4 OF THE TERM OF ITS GRANT. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF
5 THE RESEARCH MADE POSSIBLE BY THE GRANT MONEY.

6 (b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE IN THE REPORT REQUIRED
7 PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-20.5-2003 (4) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
8 REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT PROGRAM DURING THE
9 PRECEDING YEAR:

10 (I) THE NUMBER OF GRANT RECIPIENTS THAT RECEIVED MONEY
11 FROM THE GRANT PROGRAM;

12 (II) THE AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT AWARD TO EACH GRANT
13 RECIPIENT;

14 (III) A SUMMARY OF GRANT RECIPIENTS' WRITTEN REPORTS
15 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

16 (4) THE DEPARTMENT MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS,
17 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE
18 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

19 (5) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027.

20 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1.5-101, **add**
21 (1)(dd) as follows:

22 **25-1.5-101. Powers and duties of department - laboratory cash**
23 **fund - office of suicide prevention - suicide prevention coordination**
24 **cash fund - report - dispensation of payments under contracts with**
25 **grantees - definitions.** (1) The department has, in addition to all other
26 powers and duties imposed upon it by law, the powers and duties
27 provided in this section as follows:

1 (dd) TO OPERATE THE OFFICE OF DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION
2 CREATED IN SECTION 25-20.5-2003 IN THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE
3 AUSPICES OF THE PREVENTION SERVICES DIVISION, ESTABLISHED IN
4 SECTION 25-20.5-103.

5 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **add** (24)
6 as follows:

7 **2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees - legislative**
8 **declaration - definition - repeal.** (24) ~~Reserved.~~ THE FOLLOWING
9 STATUTORY AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THE DESIGNATED ADVISORY
10 COMMITTEES WILL REPEAL ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2033:

11 (a) THE DISORDERED EATING PREVENTION COMMISSION CREATED
12 IN SECTION 25-20.5-2004.

13 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (24) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1,
14 2035.

15 **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
16 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
17 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
18 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
19 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
20 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
21 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
22 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
23 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.