

## CHAPTER 33

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**PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS**

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**HOUSE BILL 98-1225**

BY REPRESENTATIVES Epps, Hagedorn, Lawrence, Mace, and Morrison;  
also SENATOR Wham.

**AN ACT**

CONCERNING ADJUSTMENT OF THE FEE FOR THE PHYSICIANS' AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS' PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

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

**SECTION 1.** 12-36-123.5 (3.5) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**12-36-123.5. Physicians' and physician assistants' peer health assistance fund.** (3.5) (b) Effective ~~July 1, 1994,~~ JANUARY 1, 1999, as a condition of licensure in this state, and effective ~~July 1, 1995,~~ JANUARY 1, 1999, as a condition of physician assistant certification, every renewal applicant shall pay to the administering entity that has been selected by the board pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs (d) and (e) of this subsection (3.5) an amount set by the board not to exceed ~~twenty-eight~~ FIFTY dollars per year, which MAXIMUM amount MAY BE ADJUSTED ON JANUARY 1, 2000, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE BOARD TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE DENVER-BOULDER CONSOLIDATED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS, ALL GOODS, OR ITS SUCCESSOR INDEX. SUCH FEE shall be used to support designated providers that have been selected by the board to provide assistance to physicians and physician assistants needing help in dealing with physical, emotional, or psychological problems ~~which~~ THAT may be detrimental to their ability to practice medicine.

**SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 23, 1998

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*