AN ACT

CONCERNING MEETINGS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO ADDRESS PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RESPONSIBILITIES OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

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

SECTION 1. 26-1-116 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

26-1-116. County boards - district boards. (3) The county board shall perform its public assistance and welfare duties, responsibilities, and activities separate and apart from the duties and responsibilities of the board of county commissioners and in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the state department for the administration of public assistance and welfare activities in the counties. The COUNTY BOARD MAY HOLD A MEETING TO ADDRESS THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND WELFARE DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, UPON FULL AND TIMELY NOTICE GIVEN PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 24-6-402, C.R.S. THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD WHEN ADDRESSING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND WELFARE DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 2. Effective date. This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution (August 4, 2004, if adjournment sine die is on May 5, 2004); except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor.

Approved: April 8, 2004