CHAPTER 89

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE BILL 05-1201

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Plant, Buescher, Hall, Berens, Borodkin, Coleman, and Todd; also SENATOR(S) Tapia, Keller, Owen, and Hanna.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT THAT POISON CONTROL CENTERS MEET CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF POISON CONTROL CENTERS.

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

SECTION 1. 25-32-103 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

- **25-32-103. Definitions.** As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (3) "Poison control services" shall include the following services provided by an entity certified by a national organization whose membership is comprised THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of poison control centers OR ITS SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION:
- (a) Twenty-four-hour toll-free telephone service dedicated to disseminating information on PREVENTION OF POISONING AND the care and treatment of individuals exposed to poisonous substances;
- (b) Nurses and pharmacist specialists in DISSEMINATION OF poison information BY PERSONS who are trained in POISON CONTROL EDUCATION, AND the PREVENTION, triage, and treatment of poisoning and who MEET THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY AND are certified by a national organization whose membership is comprised THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of poison control centers, OR ITS SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION; and
- (c) Supervision of Poison Control Centers by a physician who is board-certified in medical toxicology Person who meets the criteria established by the American association of Poison Control Centers, or its successor organization, and who shall be available twenty-four hours each day for

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consultation.

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: April 20, 2005