

CHAPTER 8

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

HOUSE BILL 07-1034

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Madden, Buescher, Butcher, Carroll M., Carroll T., Casso, Gardner B., Jahn, Kerr A., Levy, Marshall, McFadyen, McGihon, Merrifield, and Todd;
also SENATOR(S) Shaffer, Gordon, Groff, Tupa, and Williams.

AN ACT

CONCERNING ALLOWING A LAW STUDENT TO REPRESENT CLIENTS BEFORE AN ARBITRATION PANEL AS IF LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW WHEN REPRESENTING SUCH CLIENTS THROUGH A LAW SCHOOL MAINTAINED LEGAL-AID DISPENSARY.

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

SECTION 1. 12-5-116, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-5-116. Legal aid dispensaries - law students practice. Students of any law school that maintains a legal-aid dispensary where poor OR LEGALLY UNDERSERVED persons receive legal advice and services shall, when representing ~~said~~ THE dispensary and its clients, be authorized to ADVISE CLIENTS ON LEGAL MATTERS AND appear in court OR BEFORE ANY ARBITRATION PANEL as if licensed to practice LAW.

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 8, 2007, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2007); 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: March 2, 2007

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