

CHAPTER 93

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AN ACT**CONCERNING A REPORT REGARDING WITNESS PROTECTION TRAINING.**

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

SECTION 1. 24-33.5-106 (8), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

24-33.5-106. Witness protection board - creation - Javad Marshall-Fields and Vivian Wolfe witness protection program - witness protection fund.

(8) (a) The Colorado district attorneys and law enforcement agencies shall provide at least annual training for district attorneys, victims' advocates employed in or working with law enforcement agencies, and law enforcement personnel related to witness protection. The witness protection board shall develop program materials, including a model witness protection risk assessment instrument, which shall be made available to Colorado's district attorneys and law enforcement agencies.

(b) ANY WITNESS PROTECTION CURRICULUM DEVELOPED BY THE WITNESS PROTECTION BOARD SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE PEACE OFFICERS STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD. THE PEACE OFFICERS STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD SHALL PROVIDE THE TRAINING CURRICULUM TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY UPON REQUEST AND MAY INCLUDE THE CURRICULUM IN THE TRAINING IT PROVIDES. ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THE STATE THAT DEVELOPS ITS OWN WITNESS PROTECTION CURRICULUM MAY PROVIDE THE CURRICULUM TO THE PEACE OFFICERS STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD WHICH SHALL MAKE THAT CURRICULUM AVAILABLE TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THE STATE UPON REQUEST.

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

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article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution, (August 6, 2008, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2008); 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 3, 2008