

CHAPTER 218

CHILDREN AND DOMESTIC MATTERS

SENATE BILL 09-104

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AN ACT**CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF VERIFIABLE DOCUMENTS TO YOUTH LEAVING FOSTER CARE.**

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

SECTION 1. 26-5-101 (3) (m) and (3) (n), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said 26-5-101 (3) is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

26-5-101. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(3) "Child welfare services" means the provision of necessary shelter, sustenance, and guidance to or for children who are or who, if such services are not provided, are likely to become neglected or dependent, as defined in section 19-3-102, C.R.S. "Child welfare services" includes but is not limited to:

(m) Administration and support functions; ~~and~~

(n) Services described in section 19-3-208, C.R.S.; AND

(o) (I) PROVISION OF VERIFIABLE DOCUMENTS TO YOUTH WHO PLAN TO EMANCIPATE FROM FOSTER CARE.

(II) VERIFIABLE DOCUMENTS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO, A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE YOUTH'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD. THE COST OF PROVIDING THE VERIFIABLE DOCUMENTS SHALL NOT BE BORNE BY THE YOUTH.

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

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - 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 5, 2009, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2009); 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.

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