

## CHAPTER 8

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**CHILDREN AND DOMESTIC MATTERS**


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SENATE BILL 09-207

BY SENATOR(S) White, Keller, Tapia;  
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Marostica, Ferrandino, Pommer.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING DELAYING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHILD WELFARE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM, AND REPEALING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 19-3-208.5 (4), (5), (8), and (9), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

**19-3-208.5. Pilot program - legislative declaration - child welfare - mental health services - rules - repeal.** (4) On or before July 1, ~~2008~~ 2015, the state department of human services shall issue a request for proposals for the selection of a contractor for the development of the pilot program pursuant to this section. The state department of human services shall establish criteria for the selection of the pilot program contractor, including the expertise of the contractor related to the requirements of the pilot program, the capabilities and resources of the contractor necessary to perform the work, and the quality of the application. On or before April 1, ~~2009~~ 2016, the state department of human services shall promulgate rules necessary to implement the provisions of this section. The rules shall include, but need not be limited to, criteria based upon scientifically rigorous methods for evaluating the effectiveness of the pilot program.

(5) Beginning on or before July 1, ~~2009~~ 2016, and ending June 30, ~~2012~~ 2019, the pilot program shall be implemented in a minimum of three Colorado counties or regions selected by the executive director of the state department of human services based upon applications submitted by a department of human or social services for one or more counties, in conjunction with local community mental health centers, and criteria established by the state department, including a commitment of resources by or through the county, the quality of the county's application, and the historical practices and collaborative initiatives of the county.

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

(8) The state department of human services shall conduct an evaluation of the pilot program based upon the criteria established pursuant to subsection (4) of this section, as well as the costs of the pilot program, and submit a report based on its evaluation to the health and human services committees of the house of representatives and the senate, or any successor committees, on or before January 30, ~~2012~~ 2019.

(9) This section is repealed, effective July 1, ~~2012~~ 2019.

**SECTION 2. Repeal.** Section 3 (1) of chapter 219, Session Laws of Colorado 2008, is repealed as follows:

Section 3. **Appropriation - adjustments to the 2008 long bill.** (1) ~~In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, to the department of human services, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, the sum of two million one hundred thousand one hundred and sixty-nine dollars (\$2,100,169), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the implementation of this act.~~

**SECTION 3. 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: March 2, 2009