

## CHAPTER 120

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**HUMAN SERVICES - SOCIAL SERVICES**


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**HOUSE BILL 10-1115**

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Gagliardi, Frangas, Gerou, Kefalas, Labuda, Massey, Schafer S., Solano, Todd;  
also SENATOR(S) Scheffel, Boyd, Newell, Williams.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF COSTS BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO FAMILIES RECEIVING CHILD WELFARE CORE SERVICES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 26-5-102 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**26-5-102. Provision of child welfare services - system reform goals.**

(1) (a) The state department shall adopt rules to establish a program of child welfare services, administered by the state department or supervised by the state department and administered by the county departments, and, where applicable, in accordance with the conditions accompanying available federal funds for such purpose. The rules shall establish a fee based upon the child support guidelines set forth in section 14-10-115, C.R.S., requiring those persons legally responsible for the child to pay for all, or a portion, of the services provided under this article. NOTWITHSTANDING THE RULES ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS ARTICLE, WHEN IT SERVES THE BEST INTEREST OF A CHILD, A COUNTY DEPARTMENT MAY EXEMPT A FAMILY FROM RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF FEES FOR CORE SERVICES, AS DEFINED IN RULES PROMULGATED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT. The state department is authorized to promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this article relating to the allocation of funds to counties for the delivery of child welfare services.

**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 (August 11, 2010, if adjournment sine die is on May 12, 2010); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect

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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.*

unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2010 and shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: April 15, 2010