CHAPTER 347

TAXATION

HOUSE BILL 10-1073

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Roberts, Apuan, Fischer, Gerou, Kefalas, Schafer S., Summers, Todd, Pommer;
also SENATOR(S) Sandoval, Carroll M., Hudak, Steadman.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE ADDITION OF A LINE TO COLORADO STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN FORMS WHEREBY INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS MAY MAKE A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION BENEFITTING THE COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. Article 22 of title 39, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PART to read:

PART 37
COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

39-22-3701. Legislative declaration. (1) The general assembly hereby finds and declares that 2-1-1 COLORADO is a public service collaborative of several organizations and that MILE HIGH UNITED WAY is the official fiscal manager for the collaborative. The general assembly further finds and declares that 2-1-1 COLORADO:

(a) Especially in times of economic need, provides a valuable service to Colorado citizens searching for assistance;

(b) Provides streamlined access to existing health and human services information and eliminates confusing and frustrating searches;

(c) Provides emergency response to natural disasters so as not to overload other public systems;

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.
(d) PROVIDES ELDERLY, DISABLED, NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING, ILLITERATE, AND NEW COLORADO CITIZENS AND THOSE INCAPACITATED BY CRISIS THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP THEMSELVES;

(e) EXPANDS CIVIC INVOLVEMENT AND PROVIDES A FORUM FOR MATCHING VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THAT NEED THEIR HELP; AND

(f) PROVIDES AN EFFECTIVE SOCIAL BAROMETER FOR ASSESSING WHERE NEED IS GREATEST IN THE COMMUNITY.

(2) IN ORDER TO ASSIST 2-1-1 COLORADO IN FULFILLING ITS MISSION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES THAT MANY CITIZENS OF COLORADO MAY BE WILLING TO PROVIDE MONEYS TO ASSIST IN 2-1-1 COLORADO’S EFFORTS. IT IS THEREFORE THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE COLORADANS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF 2-1-1 COLORADO BY ALLOWING CITIZENS TO MAKE A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION ON THEIR STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS TO THE COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

39-22-3702. Voluntary contribution designation - procedure. For income tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2010, but prior to January 1, 2020, the Colorado state individual income tax return form shall contain a line whereby each individual taxpayer may designate the amount of the contribution, if any, the individual wishes to make to the Colorado 2-1-1 First Call for Help Fund created in section 39-22-3703 (1).

39-22-3703. Contributions credited to the Colorado 2-1-1 first call for help fund - creation - appropriation. (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL DETERMINE ANNUALLY THE TOTAL AMOUNT DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-22-3702 AND SHALL REPORT THAT AMOUNT TO THE STATE TREASURER AND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT THAT AMOUNT TO THE COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND, WHICH FUND IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. ALL INTEREST DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.

(2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE ANNUALLY FROM THE COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ITS COSTS OF ADMINISTERING MONEYS DESIGNATED AS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND. ALL MONEYS REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, AFTER SUBTRACTING THE APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO MILE HIGH UNITED WAY, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, SOLELY FOR USE IN OPERATING 2-1-1 COLORADO.

39-22-3704. Repeal of part. THIS PART 37 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021, UNLESS THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO THE COLORADO 2-1-1 FIRST CALL FOR HELP FUND ESTABLISHED BY THIS PART 37 IS CONTINUED OR REESTABLISHED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ACTING BY BILL PRIOR TO SAID DATE.

SECTION 2. Appropriation. In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the Colorado 2-1-1 first call for help fund created in section 39-22-3703 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise
appropriated, to the department of revenue, for allocation to the central department operations division, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, the sum of one hundred seven dollars ($107) cash funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the implementation of this act.

SECTION 3. 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 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: June 7, 2010