

CHAPTER 58

HUMAN SERVICES - SOCIAL SERVICES

SENATE BILL 10-010

BY SENATOR(S) Boyd, Sandoval;
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Kefalas, Apuan, Fischer, Gerou, Labuda.

AN ACT

CONCERNING AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO USE A PORTION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND.

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

SECTION 1. 26-2-721.7 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

26-2-721.7. Colorado works statewide strategic use fund - created - allocations - rules - evaluation - report. (1) (c) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY ANNUALLY USE UP TO TWO PERCENT OF THE MONEYS ANNUALLY APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND TO CONTRACT, PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6.5) OF THIS SECTION, WITH A QUALIFIED, INDEPENDENT ENTITY FOR AN EVALUATION OF THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND.

SECTION 2. 26-2-721.7 (7), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended, and the said 26-2-721.7 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

26-2-721.7. Colorado works statewide strategic use fund - created - allocations - rules - evaluation - report. (6.5) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY CONTRACT WITH A QUALIFIED, INDEPENDENT ENTITY FOR AN EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND IN MEETING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE COLORADO WORKS PROGRAM AND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS SUPPORTED BY THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND IN ATTAINING THE GOALS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION AS WELL AS ANY OUTCOMES DEFINED BY THE STRATEGIC ALLOCATION COMMITTEE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSULT WITH THE STRATEGIC ALLOCATION

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

COMMITTEE BEFORE AWARDING THE EVALUATION CONTRACT. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL SELECT AN ENTITY THAT IS QUALIFIED TO PERFORM AN EVIDENCE-BASED EVALUATION OF A SOCIAL PROGRAM, AND THE ENTITY AWARDED THE EVALUATION CONTRACT SHALL NOT HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH RESPECT TO THE ENTITIES OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BENEFITTED FROM, OR MAY BENEFIT FROM, ALLOCATIONS FROM THE STATEWIDE STRATEGIC USE FUND.

(7) On or before February 15, 2009, and on or before February 15 each year thereafter, the executive director shall submit to the joint budget committee and to the health and human services committees of the senate and the house of representatives, or any successor committees, a report concerning the programs and initiatives that received allocations from the statewide strategic use fund in the preceding fiscal year, AND A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT EVALUATION COMPLETED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6.5) OF THIS SECTION.

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 31, 2010