

CHAPTER 128

INSURANCE

HOUSE BILL 14-1282

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Pabon, Conti, Kagan, Labuda, Rosenthal, Swalm;
also SENATOR(S) Tochtrop.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE SPECIFICATION OF WHAT MATERIALS MAY BE PROVIDED IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH BY AN INSURER TO A CUSTOMER.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-1-136, **amend** (2) as follows:

10-1-136. Insurance policies - language other than English. (2) An insurer authorized to offer insurance in this state may provide insurance policies, endorsements, riders, and any explanatory or advertising materials in a language other than English. If an insurer opts to provide ~~materials~~ AN INSURANCE POLICY, ENDORSEMENT, OR RIDER to the customer in a language other than English, the insurer must also provide the English version of ~~the materials~~ at the same time. In the event of a dispute or complaint regarding the insurance or advertising materials, the English language version of the insurance document controls the resolution of the dispute or complaint.

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes 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 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); 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 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: April 18, 2014

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