

CHAPTER 16

GOVERNMENT - STATE

HOUSE BILL 24-1208

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AN ACT**CONCERNING TRANSFERS TO THE AUTISM TREATMENT FUND.**

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-1104.5, **amend** (1.7)(k)(I) as follows:

24-75-1104.5. Use of settlement money - programs - repeal. (1.7) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (1.3), (1.8), and (5) of this section, and except that disputed payments received by the state in the 2015-16 fiscal year or in any year thereafter are excluded from the calculation of allocations pursuant to this subsection (1.7), for the 2016-17 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, the following programs, services, and funds receive the following specified percentages of the total amount of settlement money received by the state in the preceding fiscal year:

(k) (I) THROUGH THE 2022-23 FISCAL YEAR, the Colorado autism treatment fund created pursuant to section 25.5-6-805, ~~C.R.S. AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO ITS REPEAL IN 2023~~, shall receive two percent of the settlement ~~monies~~ MONEY to pay a portion of the state's share of the annual funding required by the "Home- and Community-based Services for Children with Autism Act", part 8 of article 6 of title 25.5, ~~C.R.S. AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO ITS REPEAL IN 2023~~.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-22-115, **add** (5) as follows:

24-22-115. Tobacco litigation settlement cash fund - health-care supplemental appropriations and overexpenditures account - creation - repeal.

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

(5) (a) ON JUNE 30, 2024, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THE BALANCE OF THE AUTISM TREATMENT FUND CREATED IN SECTION 25.5-6-805, AS IT EXISTED PRIOR TO ITS REPEAL IN 2023, TO THE TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT CASH FUND, CREATED IN THIS SECTION.

(b) THIS SUBSECTION (5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

Approved: March 6, 2024