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**SENATE BILL 17-044**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE SCHEDULED REPEAL OF REPORTS BY THE**  
102                    **DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES TO THE GENERAL**  
103                    **ASSEMBLY.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)*

**Statutory Revision Committee.** Pursuant to section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), Colorado Revised Statutes, any report that is required to be made to the general assembly by an executive agency or the judicial branch on a periodic basis expires on the day after the third anniversary of the date on which the first report was due unless the general assembly,

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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acting by bill, continues the requirement.

**Section 1** repeals reporting requirements by the department of regulatory agencies that were scheduled to repeal according to section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I); except that it continues the reporting requirement to the state auditor. Currently there is no repeal date listed in the organic statute.

**Sections 2, 3, and 4** continue indefinitely the reporting requirements contained in those statutory sections.

**Sections 5, 6, and 7** repeal reporting requirements by the department of regulatory agencies that were scheduled to repeal according to section 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I). Currently there is no repeal date listed in the organic statute.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-45-121, **amend** (4)  
3 as follows:

4 **8-45-121. Visitation of fund by commissioner of insurance -**  
5 **annual audit - examination.** (4) At least once every three years, the  
6 commissioner of insurance shall conduct an examination of ~~said~~ THE  
7 fund, ~~such examination~~ to be conducted in the same manner as an  
8 examination of a private insurance carrier. With respect to ~~such~~ THE  
9 examination, ~~the provisions of section 10-1-204 C.R.S., shall be~~  
10 ~~applicable~~ APPLIES. The commissioner of insurance shall transmit a copy  
11 of the commissioner's examination to ~~the governor,~~ the state auditor. ~~the~~  
12 ~~general assembly, the executive director of the department of labor and~~  
13 ~~employment, and the chief executive officer.~~

14 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-3-207, **amend**  
15 (1)(f)(IV) as follows:

16 **10-3-207. Fees paid by insurance companies.** (1) Every entity  
17 regulated by the division in this state shall pay the following fees to the  
18 division:

19 (f) (IV) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I),

1 commencing January 1, 2009, the division shall provide annual reports to  
2 the joint budget committee, the senate business, labor, and technology  
3 committee, and the house business affairs and labor committee, or any  
4 ~~such~~ successor committees, and shall post on the division's website a  
5 statistical report of the number of enforcement actions taken, market  
6 trends associated with title insurance and real estate transactions, and  
7 consumer complaints supported by the fee in subparagraph (I) of this  
8 paragraph (f).

9 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 10-16-111, **amend**  
10 (4)(c) and (4)(d) as follows:

11 **10-16-111. Annual statements and reports - rules.**

12 (4) **Carriers.** (c) The commissioner shall aggregate the data submitted  
13 pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (4) for all carriers and publish  
14 the information on the division's website. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION  
15 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), the commissioner shall submit a report annually to  
16 the general assembly that analyzes the cost of health care and the factors  
17 that drive the cost of health care on an individual and group basis in this  
18 state.

19 (d) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), the  
20 commissioner shall report annually to the general assembly regarding  
21 financial information on carriers that includes, but is not limited to,  
22 benefits ratios, rate increases, and the reasons or data tracked for cost  
23 increases, as applicable for health insurance provided pursuant to this  
24 article.

25 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 10-16-128 as  
26 follows:

27 **10-16-128. Annual report to general assembly.**

1 NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), the commissioner shall  
2 report to the business affairs and labor committee of the house of  
3 representatives and the business, labor, and technology committee of the  
4 senate, or any successor committees, no later than October 1, 2004, and  
5 every October 1 thereafter. The report shall be an indication of the  
6 number, nature, and outcome of complaints against insurers during the  
7 preceding twelve months.

8 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 40-2-103, **repeal** (2)  
9 as follows:

10 **40-2-103. Director - duties - report.** (2) (a) ~~Beginning with the~~  
11 ~~second regular session of the sixty-ninth general assembly, the director of~~  
12 ~~the commission or the director's designee shall present an annual report~~  
13 ~~to the joint house and senate transportation committees and to the house~~  
14 ~~business, labor, and economic and workforce development committee and~~  
15 ~~the senate business, labor, and technology committee, or any successor~~  
16 ~~committees, regarding energy rate cases that came before the commission~~  
17 ~~during the immediately preceding two years. The report and any~~  
18 ~~accompanying materials may be prepared and submitted to the~~  
19 ~~committees in hard copy form or electronically and must include a~~  
20 ~~synopsis, in plain language, of the issues and the outcome of each energy~~  
21 ~~utility rate case; the amount of any increase or decrease in rates that~~  
22 ~~resulted from each energy utility rate case, expressed as a percentage of~~  
23 ~~the total amount billed to ratepayers per month and per year; and the~~  
24 ~~dollar amount of the average increase or decrease in the monthly bill paid~~  
25 ~~by each class of energy utility ratepayers. In addition, the director shall~~  
26 ~~make the plain-language synopsis available to the public by posting the~~  
27 ~~synopsis on the commission's website.~~

1           ~~(b) The director may report on matters outside the scope of the~~  
2 ~~evidence and testimony presented at a rate case hearing.~~

3           ~~(c) The report described in this subsection (2) may be presented~~  
4 ~~at the same time as, and the director is encouraged to accompany it with,~~  
5 ~~any other formal or informal report on the commission's operations,~~  
6 ~~including a consumer savings report.~~

7           **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 40-3.2-105 as  
8 follows:

9           **40-3.2-105. Reporting requirement.** ~~By April 30, 2009, and by~~  
10 ~~each April 30 thereafter, the commission shall submit a report to the~~  
11 ~~business, labor, and technology committee of the senate, or its successor~~  
12 ~~committee, and the business affairs and labor committee of the house of~~  
13 ~~representatives, or its successor committee, on the progress made by~~  
14 ~~investor-owned utilities in meeting their natural gas and electricity~~  
15 ~~demand-side management goals. The report shall include any~~  
16 ~~recommended statutory changes the commission deems necessary to~~  
17 ~~further the intent of sections 40-3.2-103 and 40-3.2-104.~~

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19           **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 40-15-208, **amend**  
20 (2)(b) introductory portion, as follows:

21           **40-15-208. High cost support mechanism - Colorado high cost**  
22 **administration fund - creation - purpose - operation - rules - report**  
23 **- repeal.** (2) (b) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), on or  
24 before December 1 of each year, the commission shall submit a written  
25 report to the committees of reference in the senate and house of  
26 representatives that are assigned to hear telecommunications issues, in  
27 accordance with section 24-1-136, C.R.S., accounting for the operation

1 of the high cost support mechanism during the preceding calendar year  
2 and containing the following information, at a minimum:

3           **SECTION 8. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
4 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
5 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
6 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a  
7 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
8 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
9 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
10 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
11 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
12 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.