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**SB17-242**

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 17-0965 **Date:** July 12, 2017  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Sen. Martinez Humenik **Bill Status:** Signed into Law  
 Rep. Ginal; Ransom **Fiscal Analyst:** Kerry White (303-866-3469)

**BILL TOPIC:** MODERNIZE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TERMINOLOGY IN CRS

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary</b>	<b>FY 2016-2017 <i>(Current year)</i></b>	<b>FY 2017-2018</b>	<b>FY 2018-2019</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>			
<b>State Expenditures</b>	Workload increase.		
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.			
<b>Future Year Impacts:</b> None.			

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill updates terminology in state law related to behavioral health, mental health, alcohol abuse, and substance abuse to recognize them as specific types of disorders. It also corrects statutory references to the Office of Behavioral Health in the Department of Human Services.

**State Expenditures**

Beginning in the current FY 2016-17, this bill increases workload for the Department of Regulatory Agencies to review and update its rules for the 29 listed professions and occupations in order to ensure consistency between the rules and statute. Other state agencies will have workload increases to update documents and website references. These workload increases do not require a change in appropriations for any state agency.

**Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on May 25, 2017.

**Departmental Difference**

The Department of Regulatory Agencies identified one-time costs of \$35,067 for the current FY 2016-17 to immediately update all of its rules. These costs assume each of the affected boards will be required to conduct emergency rulemaking and provide updated forms and templates in June 2017. The fiscal note assumes that these updates are not urgent in nature and can occur through the normal course of rulemaking that will occur in FY 2017-18, which will not require additional appropriations.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Health Care Policy and Financing  
Information Technology  
Regulatory Agencies

Human Services  
Public Health and Environment