

## CHAPTER 40

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**GOVERNMENT - LOCAL**

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**HOUSE BILL 17-1054**

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also SENATOR(S) Todd, Baumgardner, Crowder, Gardner, Jones, Kefalas, Kerr, Lambert, Lundberg, Martinez Humenik, Merrifield, Neville T., Scott, Sonnenberg, Zenzinger, Grantham.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IDENTIFYING SHARED-SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES TO REDUCE COSTS AND INCREASE EFFICIENCIES.**

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

**SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly finds and declares that:

(a) Although military installations once operated as self-contained communities, today they are increasingly integrated with their host communities; and

(b) Communities that host military installations face unique challenges and opportunities, including potential cost savings, increased efficiencies, and reduced government overhead through shared services.

(2) The general assembly further finds that:

(a) With the passage of section 331 of the "2013 National Defense Authorization Act", 10 U.S.C. sec. 2679, which created an intergovernmental support agreement program between the federal department of defense and state and local entities, the United States congress demonstrated its awareness of, and support for, cooperative agreements between military installations and their host communities;

(b) Cooperative intergovernmental agreements that allow military installations and local governments to share support services can produce significant cost savings

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

to local communities by identifying:

(I) Shared services that local governments can provide to military installations that could help pay for fixed costs and overhead; and

(II) Services that local communities can purchase from military installations at a reduced cost; and

(c) The federal department of defense is encouraging these unique partnerships between military installations and their host communities around the country.

(3) Now, therefore, the general assembly encourages Colorado communities, especially those that host military installations, to work in partnership with those installations and explore areas of mutual benefit.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-32-118 as follows:

**24-32-118. Military and community partnerships.** THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS, ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, TO SUPPORT COOPERATIVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO THE EXTENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY DO SO WITHIN EXISTING PROGRAMS, RESOURCES, AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE.

**SECTION 3. 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 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); 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 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: March 16, 2017