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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE STATEWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND TRAUMA  
102 CARE SYSTEM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND  
103 ENVIRONMENT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ELIMINATING  
104 THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
105 COOPERATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL IN  
106 ADOPTING CERTAIN CRITERIA.

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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.** The bill repeals language:

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

- ! Requiring the department of public health and environment to implement a statewide emergency medical and trauma care system by July 1, 1997; and
- ! Requiring the state board of health to cooperate with the department of personnel in adopting certain criteria that counties must identify in their own regional systems.

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

2       **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** The general assembly  
3 declares that the purpose of this act is to repeal obsolete statutory  
4 provisions relating to the Colorado department of public health and  
5 environment. The general assembly further declares that repealing these  
6 statutory provisions does not alter the scope or applicability of the  
7 remaining statutes.

8       **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-3.5-704, **amend**  
9 (1) as follows:

10       **25-3.5-704. Statewide emergency medical and trauma care**  
11 **system - development and implementation - duties of department -**  
12 **rules adopted by board.** (1) The department shall develop, implement,  
13 and monitor a statewide emergency medical and trauma care system in  
14 accordance with the provisions of this part 7 and with rules adopted by  
15 the state board. ~~The system shall be implemented statewide no later than~~  
16 ~~July 1, 1997. In addition, the board shall cooperate with the department~~  
17 ~~of personnel in adopting criteria for adequate communications systems~~  
18 ~~that counties shall be required to identify in regional emergency medical~~  
19 ~~and trauma system plans in accordance with subsection (2) of this section.~~  
20 Pursuant to section 24-50-504 (2), C.R.S., the department may contract  
21 with any public or private entity in performing any of its duties  
22 concerning education, the statewide trauma registry, and the verification

1 process as set forth in this part 7.

2           **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
5 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a  
6 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
7 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
8 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
9 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
10 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
11 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.