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LLS NO. 19-1038.01 Shelby Ross x4510

HOUSE BILL 19-1285

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
102 CARE POLICY AND FINANCING TO CONTRACT WITH THE
103 MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION OPERATED BY DENVER HEALTH
104 AND HOSPITAL AUTHORITY UNTIL THE MANAGED CARE
105 ORGANIZATION CEASES TO OPERATE A MEDICAID MANAGED
106 CARE PROGRAM.

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>.)

The bill requires the department of health care policy and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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financing (state department) to enter into a contract with the managed care organization (MCO) operated by Denver health and hospital authority as long as the MCO continues to operate a medicaid managed care program. Denver health and hospital authority is required to collaborate, if applicable, with the MCO designated by the state department to manage behavioral health services.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-402, **add** (7.5)
3 as follows:

4 **25.5-5-402. Statewide managed care system - definition.**

5 (7.5) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENTER INTO A DIRECT CONTRACT
6 WITH THE MCO OPERATED BY OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF DENVER
7 HEALTH AND HOSPITAL AUTHORITY, CREATED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29
8 OF TITLE 25, UNTIL THE MCO CEASES TO OPERATE A MEDICAID MANAGED
9 CARE PROGRAM. IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT DESIGNATES AN MCO TO
10 MANAGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 5,
11 DENVER HEALTH AND HOSPITAL AUTHORITY, OR ANY SUBSIDIARY
12 THEREOF, SHALL COLLABORATE WITH THE MCO DURING THE TERM OF
13 CONTRACT.

14 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
15 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
16 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
17 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); except that, if a
18 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
19 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
20 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
21 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

1 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.