

## CHAPTER 370

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**HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**


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## SENATE BILL 19-015

BY SENATOR(S) Ginal;  
 also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Beckman and Kipp, Arndt, Bird, Buentello, Caraveo, Cutter, Duran, Galindo, Jackson, Lontine,  
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## AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE REVIEW COMMITTEE TO STUDY HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT AFFECT COLORADO RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **recreate and reenact, with amendments, 10-16-221** as follows:

**10-16-221. Statewide health care review committee - creation - membership - duties.** (1) THE STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE REVIEW COMMITTEE IS HEREBY CREATED IN ORDER TO STUDY HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT AFFECT COLORADO RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

(a) EMERGING TRENDS IN COLORADO HEALTH CARE AND THEIR EFFECTS ON CONSUMERS, PROVIDERS, AND PAYERS;

(b) THE ABILITY OF CONSUMERS TO OBTAIN AND KEEP ADEQUATE, AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE;

(c) THE EFFECT OF CHANGES IN THE WAY HEALTH CARE IS DELIVERED AND PAID FOR;

(d) TRENDS IN HEALTH CARE COVERAGE RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS, EMPLOYEES, AND EMPLOYERS AND IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES;

(e) ACCESS TO AND AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS AND WAIVERS OF FEDERAL LAW;

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.*

(f) INNOVATIONS IN HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH CARE COVERAGE;

(g) HEALTH CARE ISSUES THAT ARISE IN OR ARE UNIQUE TO RURAL AREAS OF THE STATE;

(h) ACCESS TO TIMELY AND QUALITY HEALTH CARE AND EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION;

(i) OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED POPULATIONS;

(j) ISSUES RELATED TO THE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE, INCLUDING NETWORK ADEQUACY AND THE ADEQUACY OF ACCESS TO PROVIDERS; AND

(k) ANY OTHER HEALTH CARE ISSUE AFFECTING COLORADO RESIDENTS THAT THE COMMITTEE DEEMS NECESSARY TO STUDY.

(2) (a) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF NO MORE THAN TEN MEMBERS FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND INSURANCE AND PUBLIC HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES.

(b) THE CHAIR OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND INSURANCE OR ITS SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE SHALL CHAIR THE COMMITTEE IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AND SERVE AS THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OR ITS SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE SHALL CHAIR THE COMMITTEE IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND SERVE AS THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS.

(c) THE STAFF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND OF THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES SHALL ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES UNDER THIS SECTION.

(3) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET NO MORE THAN TWO TIMES EACH LEGISLATIVE INTERIM, UNLESS ADDITIONAL MEETINGS ARE AUTHORIZED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. OF THE MEETINGS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (3), THE COMMITTEE MAY TAKE UP TO TWO FIELD TRIPS PER YEAR IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DUTIES MANDATED UNDER THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2019-20 state fiscal year, \$16,062 is appropriated to the legislative department. This appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) \$9,607 for use by the legislative council, which amount is based on an assumption that the council will require an additional 0.1 FTE; and

(b) \$6,455 for use by the general assembly.

**SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 30, 2019