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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CLARIFICATION OF THE SCOPE OF THE AUTHORITY OF 102 THE DIVISION OF HOUSING TO SPEND MONEY FOR CERTAIN TYPES

103 OF GRANTS.

### **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 <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

Sections 1 and 4 of the bill clarify that money that was transferred from the general fund or the affordable housing and home ownership cash fund to the Colorado heritage communities fund on June 27, 2021, or as soon as was practicable thereafter, must be expended before July 1, 2025. Section 2 clarifies that money that was transferred from the general fund to the housing development grant fund on June 27, 2021, must be expended before July 1, 2025.

Section 3 clarifies that the division of housing may award multiple grants to multiple grant recipients for multiple regional navigation campuses in the Denver metropolitan area to respond to and prevent homelessness.

Section 5 makes a conforming amendment.

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

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-32-130, amend
3 (7) as follows:

4 24-32-130. Local government affordable housing development 5 incentives grant program - local government planning grant program 6 - creation - report - definitions. (7) All funding of any grants awarded 7 under either the housing development incentives grant program or the 8 planning grant program must be made entirely out of the money 9 transferred from the general fund and the affordable housing and home 10 ownership cash fund created in section 24-75-229 (3)(a), that originates 11 from money the state received from the federal coronavirus state fiscal 12 recovery fund, to the Colorado heritage communities fund created in 13 section 24-32-3207 (1) in accordance with section 24-32-3207 (6). All 14 costs incurred by the division in administering either the housing 15 development incentives grant program or the planning grant program 16 must be paid out of the money transferred under section 24-32-3207 (6). 17 The division may use up to four percent of any money transferred to it 18 under this section to cover its administrative costs in administering or 19 evaluating either the housing development incentives grant program or 20 the planning grant program. All money transferred into the Colorado 21 heritage communities fund in accordance with section 24-32-3207 (6) 22 must be expended by July 1, 2024 BEFORE JULY 1, 2025. Any money transferred into the fund in accordance with this subsection (7) that is not
 expended or encumbered from any appropriation at the end of any fiscal
 year is available for expenditure by July 1, 2024 BEFORE JULY 1, 2025,
 without further appropriation.

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**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-32-721.7, **amend** (1)(b) as follows:

7 24-32-721.7. Affordable housing guided toolkit and local 8 officials guide program - creation. (1)(b) All funding of any assistance 9 awarded under the housing toolkit program must be made entirely out of 10 the money transferred from the general fund to the housing development 11 grant fund created in section 24-32-721 (1) in accordance with section 12 24-32-721 (6). All costs incurred by the division in administering the 13 housing toolkit program must be paid out of the money transferred in 14 accordance with section 24-32-721 (6). The division may use up to eight 15 percent of any money appropriated to it under this section to cover its 16 administrative costs in administering the housing toolkit program. All 17 money transferred to the housing development grant fund in accordance 18 with section 24-32-721 (6) must be expended over the subsequent three 19 state fiscal years BEFORE JULY 1, 2025. ANY SUCH MONEY THAT IS NOT 20 EXPENDED OR ENCUMBERED FROM ANY APPROPRIATION AT THE END OF 21 ANY FISCAL YEAR IS AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE BEFORE JULY 1, 2025, 22 WITHOUT FURTHER APPROPRIATION.

23 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-32-727, amend
24 (2), (3) introductory portion, (4), (5), (6), (7), (8)(a), and (8)(d) as
25 follows:

26 24-32-727. Denver-metropolitan regional navigation campuses
 27 grant - regional navigation campuses cash fund - creation -

1 definitions. (2) A local government or local governments applying 2 together or a community partner in conjunction with one or more local 3 governments may submit an application for a grant to the division in 4 accordance with policies, procedures, and guidelines adopted by the 5 division in order to build or acquire, and then facilitate, a ONE OR MORE 6 regional navigation <del>campus</del> CAMPUSES in the Denver metropolitan area 7 to respond to and prevent homelessness. The division, in collaboration 8 with the department of human services and the behavioral health 9 administration in the department of human services, shall establish the 10 application requirements, which must include a plan by which the AN 11 applicant intends to sustain funding FOR the regional navigation campus 12 OR CAMPUSES after the grant period ends.

(3) Each applicant shall demonstrate how the applicant plans to
build or acquire, and then facilitate, a ONE OR MORE navigation campus
CAMPUSES that may include, but is ARE not limited to, the following:

- 16 (4) In selecting a grant recipient RECIPIENTS, the division, in
  17 collaboration with the department of human services and the behavioral
  18 health administration in the department of human services, shall consider:
  19 (a) An applicant's commitment to regional and transformational
  20 projects that addresses ADDRESS homelessness;
- (b) An applicant's commitment to providing wraparound services
  for the residents at the EACH supportive residential campus;
- (c) The impact of the EACH proposed navigation campus in the
   community where it will be located and in the Denver-metropolitan
   region as a whole; and
- 26 (d) The ability of the applicant to manage the EACH location and
  27 determine long-term operational costs and sustainability.

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1 (5) In adopting policies, procedures, and guidelines, the division 2 shall collaborate with the department of human services and the 3 behavioral health administration in the department of human services to 4 create a process that ensures the grant is THAT GRANTS ARE only awarded 5 after a fair and rigorous open competition among eligible applicants. The 6 division shall review applications and select the grant recipient 7 RECIPIENTS in collaboration with partnering agencies.

8 (6) The division, A grant recipient, or any other person who 9 receives money from the division pursuant to this section shall comply 10 with the compliance, reporting, record-keeping, and program evaluation 11 requirements established by the office of state planning and budgeting 12 and the state controller in accordance with section 24-75-226 (5).

13 (7) On July 1, 2022, the state treasurer shall transfer fifty million 14 dollars from the economic recovery and relief cash fund, created in 15 section 24-75-228, that originates from the money the state received from 16 the federal coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund, to the regional 17 navigation campus CAMPUSES cash fund for the purposes of this section. 18 The division may expend up to ten percent of the money appropriated or 19 transferred to the fund to pay for its direct and indirect costs in 20 administering the grant GRANTS. All administrative costs must be paid out 21 of the money transferred to the fund pursuant to this subsection (7).

(8) (a) The regional navigation campus CAMPUSES cash fund,
referred to in this section as the "fund", is created in the state treasury.
The fund consists of money transferred to the fund pursuant to subsection
(7) of this section and any other money that the general assembly may
appropriate or transfer to the fund.

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(d) The A grant recipient must expend or obligate any money

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received pursuant to this section in accordance with section 24-75-226
 (4)(d).

3 SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-32-3207, amend
4 (6)(d) as follows:

5 24-32-3207. Colorado heritage communities fund - creation -6 source of funds. (6) (d) The division of local government in the 7 department shall use the money transferred pursuant to subsection (6)(c) 8 of this section for the creation, implementation, and administration of the 9 local government planning grant program created in section 24-32-130 10 (5) in accordance with the requirements of section 24-32-130. With 11 respect to any money transferred into the Colorado heritage communities 12 fund pursuant to subsection (6)(c) of this section, the division may use 13 any money that is unexpended or unencumbered as of June 30, 2024 JUNE 14 30, 2025, for purposes of the local government affordable housing 15 development incentives grant program created in section 24-32-130 (2) 16 as needed in accordance with section 24-32-130.

SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-402, amend
(5)(vv) as follows:

19 24-75-402. Cash funds - limit on uncommitted reserves 20 reduction in the amount of fees - exclusions - definitions.
21 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the
22 following cash funds are excluded from the limitations specified in this
23 section:

(vv) The regional navigation campus CAMPUSES cash fund created
 in section 24-32-727;

26 **SECTION 6. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.