CHAPTER 64

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

HOUSE BILL 22-1076

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Lontine and Will, Bacon, Bernett, Bird, Bockenfeld, Boesenecker, Catlin, Cutter, Duran, Esgar, Froelich, Geitner, Gray, Herod, Jodeh, Kipp, Lindsay, McCluskie, Michaelson Jenet, Ortiz, Pelton, Ricks, Snyder, Soper, Tipper, Titone, Valdez A., Valdez D., Woodrow, Young;

also SENATOR(S) Buckner, Bridges, Danielson, Fenberg, Fields, Ginal, Gonzales, Hansen, Hinrichsen, Kolker, Lee, Moreno, Priola, Rankin, Rodriguez, Smallwood, Story, Winter.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE ABILITY OF A HEARING AID PROVIDER TO PERFORM SERVICES THROUGH THE USE OF TELEHEALTH.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-230-104, **amend** (1)(e) as follows:

- **12-230-104. Scope of practice.** (1) The scope of practice for a hearing aid provider includes:
- (e) Prescribing, selecting, and fitting appropriate hearing instruments and assistive devices, including appropriate technology, electroacoustic targets, programming parameters, and special applications, as indicated, with either the initial testing or the first fitting performed in person WHETHER IN PERSON OR THROUGH THE USE OF TELEHEALTH;
- **SECTION 2.** 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; 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

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held in November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: April 4, 2022