

CHAPTER 173

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AN ACT**CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL.**

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add with amended and relocated provisions** 13-3-116 as follows:

13-3-116. [Formerly 19-2-213] Restorative justice coordinating council - establishment - membership. (1) (a) A council to provide assistance and education related to restorative justice programs is hereby established. The council shall be known as the "restorative justice coordinating council" and shall be established in the state judicial department within the office of the state court administrator. To the extent that resources permit, the restorative justice coordinating council shall support the development of restorative justice programs, serve as a central repository for information, assist in the development and provision of related education and training, and provide technical assistance to entities engaged in or wishing to develop restorative justice programs.

(b) In order to assess the efficacy of restorative justice practices in providing satisfaction to participants, the council shall develop a uniform restorative justice satisfaction evaluation by September 1, 2013. The evaluation must be based on research principles. The evaluation must include a preconference questionnaire for the offender and participating victims, if practicable, to establish a baseline and a postconference questionnaire that is suitable to administer to restorative justice participants, including community members, participating victims, and offenders.

(c) (I) The council shall develop a database of existing restorative justice

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programs in the state by December 31, 2013, and update it annually by December 31 of each year.

(II) The database must consist of the following information:

(A) The location of the restorative justice program;

(B) The types of restorative justice practices used in the program and the costs and fees associated with the practices; and

(C) The background, training, and restorative justice experience of the facilitators in the restorative justice program.

(d) Repealed.

(2) The restorative justice coordinating council includes, at a minimum, the following:

(a) A member who represents a statewide juvenile justice council who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department of public safety;

(b) A representative from the division of youth corrections in the department of human services who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department of human services;

(c) A representative from the department of public safety who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department of public safety;

(d) A representative from the judicial department who shall be appointed by the state court administrator;

(e) Two representatives from a statewide organization or organizations whose primary purpose is related to the development and implementation of restorative justice programs and who shall be appointed by the executive director of the department of public safety;

(f) A district attorney with juvenile justice experience who shall be appointed by the executive director of the Colorado district attorneys council;

(g) A victim's representative within the judicial department with restorative justice experience who shall be appointed by the state court administrator;

(h) A representative from the department of education who shall be appointed by the commissioner of education;

(i) A representative from the state board of parole appointed by the chair of the parole board;

(j) A representative from the department of corrections appointed by the executive director of the department of corrections;

(k) A representative from a nongovernment statewide organization representing victims appointed by the executive director of the department of public safety;

(l) Three restorative justice practitioners appointed by the state court administrator;

(m) A representative of the juvenile parole board appointed by the chair of the juvenile parole board;

(n) The state public defender or his or her designee;

(o) A judge appointed by the chief justice of the Colorado supreme court; and

(p) A representative of law enforcement appointed by the state court administrator based upon a recommendation from the restorative justice coordinating council.

(3) The restorative justice coordinating council shall select a chairperson from among the members of the council who shall serve a term to be determined by the council. The chairperson shall be responsible for convening the council at a frequency that shall be determined by the council.

(4) Members of the restorative justice coordinating council shall serve without compensation and shall not be reimbursed for expenses incurred while serving on the council.

(4.5) The restorative justice coordinating council may accept ~~moneys~~ MONEY from trainings and conferences and gifts, grants, or donations from any private or public source for the purpose of supporting restorative justice practices. All private and public ~~moneys~~ MONEY received by the restorative justice coordinating council from gifts, grants, or donations or any other source must be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the restorative justice surcharge fund created pursuant to section 18-25-101, C.R.S.; in addition to any ~~moneys~~ MONEY that may be appropriated to the fund directly by the general assembly.

(5) (a) ~~This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2017.~~

(b) ~~Prior to the repeal, the restorative justice coordinating council shall be reviewed as provided in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S.~~

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-25-101, **amend** (3)(a) as follows:

18-25-101. Restorative justice surcharge - definitions. (3) (a) There is created in the state treasury the restorative justice surcharge fund that consists of ~~moneys~~ MONEY received by the state treasurer pursuant to this section and section ~~19-2-213~~ (4.5), C.R.S. 13-3-116 (4.5). The ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the fund ~~are~~ is subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly to the judicial department for distribution to judicial districts that offer restorative justice programs and to the restorative justice coordinating council for administrative expenses.

SECTION 3. Repeal of relocated provisions in this act. In Colorado Revised

Statutes, **repeal** 19-2-213.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal** (4)(a)(II) as follows:

2-3-1203. Sunset review of advisory committees - legislative declaration - definition - repeal. (4) (a) The following statutory authorizations for the designated advisory committees will repeal on July 1, 2017:

(II) ~~The restorative justice coordinating council created in section 19-2-213, C.R.S.;~~

SECTION 5. 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.

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