

CHAPTER 22

HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

SENATE BILL 19-080

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AN ACT

CONCERNING ELIMINATING THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH TO ADOPT RULES ESTABLISHING STANDARDS TO ENSURE THAT CERTAIN ENTITIES ARE PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY EPIDEMIC.

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

SECTION 1. Legislative declaration. The general assembly declares that the purpose of this act is to repeal obsolete statutory provisions relating to the Colorado department of public health and environment. The general assembly further declares that repealing these statutory provisions does not alter the scope or applicability of the remaining statutes.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1-108, **amend** (1)(c)(VI) as follows:

25-1-108. Powers and duties of state board of health. (1) In addition to all other powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the state board of health by the provisions of this part 1, the board has the following specific powers and duties:

(c) (VI) To adopt rules and to establish such standards as the board may deem necessary or proper to assure that hospitals; other acute care facilities; county, district, and municipal public health agencies; AND trauma centers ~~area trauma advisory councils, and managed care organizations~~ are prepared for an emergency epidemic, as defined in section 24-33.5-703 (4), ~~C.R.S.~~, that is declared to be a disaster emergency, including the immediate investigation of any case of a suspected emergency epidemic.

SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at

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.

12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3, 2019); 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 held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: March 7, 2019