

## CHAPTER 194

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**HUMAN SERVICES - SOCIAL SERVICES**


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## SENATE BILL 22-183

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## AN ACT

## CONCERNING PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO CRIME VICTIMS.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 26-7.5-101 as follows:

**26-7.5-101. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly ~~hereby~~ finds that:

(a) A significant number of homicides, aggravated assaults, assaults and batteries, and other types of abuse and coercive control occur within ~~the home~~ COLORADO; that the reported incidence of domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT represents only a portion of the total number of incidents of domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT; that a large percentage of police officer deaths in the line of duty result from police intervention in domestic abuse situations; and that domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT is a complex problem affecting families from all social and economic backgrounds; ~~It is the purpose of this article to encourage the development of domestic abuse programs by units of local government and nongovernmental agencies.~~

(b) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT CAN HAVE HARMFUL AND LASTING CONSEQUENCES FOR VICTIMS, FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES, AND THE STATE. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON NOT ONLY VICTIMS' PHYSICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING, BUT ALSO ON INDIVIDUALS' ECONOMIC STABILITY AND THE STATE'S ECONOMY. ECONOMIC IMPACTS OFTEN INCLUDE CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LEGAL SYSTEM COSTS, MEDICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXPENDITURES, LOWER WAGES RESULTING FROM DIMINISHED

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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, LOST WAGES FROM MISSED WORK, JOB LOSS, DEBT AND POOR CREDIT, AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH HOUSING INSTABILITY.

(c) THE BEST AVAILABLE RESEARCH SHOWS THAT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT OCCUR AT RELATIVELY EQUAL RATES. RESEARCH ALSO SHOWS THAT INDIVIDUALS FROM POPULATIONS UNDERSERVED DUE TO GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, RELIGION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, RACE OR ETHNICITY, LANGUAGE BARRIERS, DISABILITIES, ALIENAGE, AND AGE EXPERIENCE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT AT HIGHER RATES AND FACE GREATER CHALLENGES IN ACCESSING SERVICES THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION. THEREFORE, FUNDING SHOULD ENSURE EQUAL SUPPORT FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES AS WELL AS SUPPORT FOR SERVICES FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS AND CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS.

(d) COMMUNITY-BASED ADVOCATES ARE UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO OFFER VICTIMS VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR SERVICES AND TO SUPPORT THE CHOICES VICTIMS MAKE. COMMUNITY-BASED ADVOCATES FOCUS PRIMARILY ON THE NEEDS, CHOICES, AND INPUT OF THE VICTIM. THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT COMMUNITY-BASED ADVOCATES ARE A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF A VICTIM-CENTERED RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT.

(e) IN A CONTINUED EFFORT TO PROMOTE INCREASED DIVERSITY AMONG THE FUNDED VICTIM SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT, IN ADMINISTERING THIS ARTICLE 7.5, THE STATE DEPARTMENT IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO ADDRESS BARRIERS THAT HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED VICTIMS, INCLUDING PEOPLE OF COLOR, FACE IN ACCESSING VICTIM SERVICES.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 26-7.5-102** as follows:

**26-7.5-102. Definitions.** As used in this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 7.5, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) ~~"Domestic abuse" means any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention of an individual, which results or threatens to result in physical injury and which is committed by a person eighteen years of age or older against another person who is a relative or who is living in the same domicile~~ "CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAM" MEANS A PROGRAM OPERATED BY A NONGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR TRIBAL ORGANIZATION WITH THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF PROVIDING CULTURALLY SPECIFIC AND CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE SERVICES BY PROVIDERS FROM DIVERSE CULTURAL BACKGROUNDS TO AMERICAN INDIANS, INCLUDING ALASKA NATIVES, ESKIMOS, AND ALEUTS; ASIAN AMERICANS; NATIVE HAWAIIANS AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDERS; BLACKS; HISPANICS; OR ANY UNDERSERVED POPULATION IN ORDER TO ASSIST VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT, WHICH MAY INCLUDE ACTS OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE OR STALKING.

(2) "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE" MEANS AN ACT OR PATTERN OF BEHAVIOR IN WHICH A PERSON USES OR THREATENS TO USE PHYSICAL, SEXUAL, MENTAL, OR EMOTIONAL ABUSE TO CONTROL ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WITH WHOM THE PERSON IS OR WAS IN AN INTIMATE RELATIONSHIP.

~~(2)~~(3) "Domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE program" means a culturally and linguistically appropriate community-based or community-oriented program, which may include residential facilities, ~~and which~~ THAT USES VICTIM ADVOCATES, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 13-90-107 (1)(k), AND THAT IS OPERATED BY ~~a unit of local government or~~ a nongovernmental agency OR FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE and established pursuant to the criteria set forth in section 26-7.5-103, to assist victims of domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE and their dependents, INCLUDING VICTIMS OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE OR STALKING.

~~(3)~~(4) "Nongovernmental agency" means any person, private nonprofit agency, corporation, or other nongovernmental agency.

~~(4)~~ "Unit of local government" means a county, city and county, city, town, or municipality.

(5) "SEXUAL ASSAULT" MEANS ANY ACT OR THREATENED ACT THAT IS SEXUAL IN NATURE OR INTENT, AND CAUSES HARM, INCLUDING SEXUAL HARASSMENT, SEXUAL ABUSE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND RAPE.

(6) "SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM" MEANS A CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY-BASED OR COMMUNITY-ORIENTED PROGRAM TO ASSIST VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT, WHICH MAY INCLUDE TEEN DATING VIOLENCE OR STALKING, THAT USES VICTIM ADVOCATES, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 13-90-107 (1)(k), AND THAT IS OPERATED BY A NONGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE AND IS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN SECTION 26-7.5-103.

(7) "STALKING" MEANS ANY ACT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 18-3-602.

(8) "STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION" MEANS A COALITION DESIGNATED AS THE STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITION BY THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OR DESIGNATED AS THE STATE SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION BY THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

(9) "TEEN DATING VIOLENCE" MEANS:

(a) A PATTERN OF BEHAVIOR IN WHICH A PERSON USES OR THREATENS TO USE PHYSICAL, SEXUAL, MENTAL, OR EMOTIONAL ABUSE TO CONTROL ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS IN A DATING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PERSON, AND ONE OR BOTH PERSONS ARE UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE; OR

(b) BEHAVIOR BY WHICH A PERSON USES OR THREATENS TO USE SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS IN A DATING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PERSON, AND ONE OR BOTH PERSONS ARE UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE.

(10) "TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION" MEANS A TRIBAL COALITION THAT PROVIDES SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT AND THAT SATISFIES THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN 34 U.S.C. SEC. 10441 (d)(2)(A).

(11) "UNDERSERVED POPULATION" MEANS A POPULATION THAT FACES BARRIERS IN ACCESSING AND USING VICTIM SERVICES, AND INCLUDES A POPULATION UNDERSERVED BECAUSE OF RELIGION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, RACE OR ETHNICITY, LANGUAGE BARRIERS, DISABILITIES, ALIENAGE, AGE, OR GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION.

**SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 26-7.5-103** as follows:

**26-7.5-103. Domestic violence, sexual assault, or culturally specific programs - criteria.** (1) A domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC program established pursuant to this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 7.5 shall provide, but not be limited to:

(a) ~~Counseling for persons who are victims of domestic abuse and their dependents and for persons who cause domestic abuse~~ DIRECT ADVOCACY OR COUNSELING FOR PERSONS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, AND SUPPORT FOR THE VICTIMS' ANIMAL COMPANIONS;

(b) ~~Advocacy~~ Programs that assist victims OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, in obtaining services and information;

(c) Educational AND PREVENTION programs ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT designed for both THE community at large and specialized groups such as medical personnel and law enforcement officials.

(2) Domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC programs shall utilize the resources of the community in meeting the personal and family needs of participants.

(3) As a part of a domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC program, a ~~domestic abuse~~ facility may be established to provide residential accommodations to victims of domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT, and their dependents.

(4) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS MAY PARTICIPATE IN, DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, OR ENHANCE COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAMS, SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAMS, OR SIMILAR COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT.

**SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend 26-7.5-104** as follows:

**26-7.5-104. Community domestic violence, sexual assault, or culturally specific programs - contracts with state department - rules and regulations.**

(1) The executive director may enter into contracts or agreements for services with any ~~unit of local government or nongovernmental agency which~~ OR FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE THAT has established and ~~which~~ THAT operates a community domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC program or with a unit of local government or nongovernmental agency which has ~~subcontracted with a nongovernmental agency for domestic abuse~~ VIOLENCE OR

SEXUAL ASSAULT program services.

(2) (a) The state department shall establish, by rule, and enforce standards and regulations for all domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC programs established pursuant to this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 7.5 and shall require that each ~~such~~ domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC program meets approved minimum standards as established by rule.

~~(b) The standards and regulations established by the state department shall require, at a minimum, each domestic abuse program to request information from each client served by the program concerning the relationship of the client to the alleged perpetrator of the domestic abuse. The standards and regulations shall require each domestic abuse program to report such information to the state department.~~

**SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 26-7.5-104.5 as follows:

**26-7.5-104.5. Domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions - contracts - duties - coalition agreements with programs.** (1) THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT WITH A STATE OR TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS A "COALITION", FOR PROGRAM SERVICES AND OTHER SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

(2) A COALITION THAT ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT SHALL, AT A MINIMUM, PROVIDE TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND OTHER NONGOVERNMENTAL AND GOVERNMENTAL SERVICE PROVIDERS.

(3) A COALITION THAT ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT MAY:

(a) PARTICIPATE IN SYSTEMS ADVOCACY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO REPRESENTING THE NEEDS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT ON STATE BOARDS, COMMITTEES, TASK FORCES, AND WORKGROUPS;

(b) DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES TO IMPROVE THE RESPONSE TO AND PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT; AND

(c) CONDUCT STATEWIDE COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND PUBLIC EDUCATION RELATED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT.

(4) A COALITION MAY SUBCONTRACT WITH A NONGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE THAT OPERATES A COMMUNITY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAM TO PROVIDE PROGRAM SERVICES.

**SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-7.5-105, **amend** (1); and **add** (4) as follows:

**26-7.5-105. Funding of domestic violence, sexual assault, or culturally specific programs - funding coalitions - state domestic violence and sexual assault services fund - repeal.** (1) (a) ~~Any~~ THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, REIMBURSE A nongovernmental agency or ~~unit of local government~~ FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE operating a domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC program OR A STATE OR TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION pursuant to this article shall, subject to available appropriations, be reimbursed by the state department ARTICLE 7.5. at a rate to be set by the general assembly in the annual appropriation bill. Not less than seventy-five percent of all contract funding under this article shall ARTICLE 7.5 MUST be allocated to nongovernmental agencies.

(b) Money generated from fees collected pursuant to part 1 of article 2 of title 14 and article 15 of title 14 or transferred pursuant to section 13-32-101 (5)(a)(X) or (5)(b)(II) shall MUST be used to reimburse domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC programs that provide services as provided in section 26-7.5-103 to persons or their families, which persons are married, separated, or divorced or parties to a civil union or an invalidated, legally separated, or dissolved civil union.

(4) (a) THE STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY, AND IS REFERRED TO IN THIS SUBSECTION (4) AS THE "FUND". THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(b) OF THIS SECTION. MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE DESCRIBED IN THIS ARTICLE 7.5 THAT CONFORMS WITH THE ALLOWABLE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THE FEDERAL "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021", PUB.L. 117-2.

(b) WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER SIX MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND FROM THE BEHAVIORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH CASH FUND, CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-230.

(c) THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND EACH RECIPIENT OF MONEY FROM THE FUND SHALL COMPLY WITH THE COMPLIANCE, REPORTING, RECORD-KEEPING, AND PROGRAM EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-75-226 (5).

(d) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL ANNUALLY PUBLISH ON ITS WEBSITE:

(I) FOR EACH ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES FUNDING PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 7.5, THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION, AMOUNT OF THE FUNDING RECEIVED, THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF CRIMES FOR WHICH VICTIMS ARE SERVED, AND THE SERVICES PROVIDED WITH THE FUNDING;

(II) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE FUNDING, IN AGGREGATE: THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF CRIMES FOR WHICH VICTIMS ARE SERVED; THE TYPES OF SERVICES PROVIDED; AND THE GENDER, RACE AND ETHNICITY, AND OTHER AVAILABLE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF CLIENTS SERVED WITH THE FUNDING; AND

(III) TO THE EXTENT KNOWN, AND IN AGGREGATE FORM, THE GENDER, RACIAL AND ETHNIC MAKEUP, AND OTHER DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF THE STAFF AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, IF APPLICABLE, OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE FUNDING. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE ITS BEST EFFORT TO COLLECT THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (4)(d)(III).

(e) THIS SUBSECTION (4) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027.

**SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 24-33.5-505.5** as follows:

**24-33.5-505.5. Colorado crime victim services fund - creation - uses - applications for grants - legislative declaration - repeal.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

(a) A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF VIOLENT CRIMES INCLUDING HOMICIDE, ASSAULTS, ADULT AND CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULTS, STALKING, VEHICULAR DEATHS, CHILD ABUSE, ROBBERIES, CRIMES AGAINST AT-RISK PERSONS, AND INCIDENTS OF GUN VIOLENCE OCCUR WITHIN COLORADO;

(b) ALL VICTIMS OF CRIME, INCLUDING MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES SUCH AS IMMIGRANTS, YOUNG PEOPLE OF COLOR, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND LGBTQIA+ INDIVIDUALS, MAY NEED A VARIETY OF SERVICES FROM BOTH COMMUNITY-BASED ADVOCATES AND SYSTEM-BASED ADVOCATES AS PART OF EACH VICTIM'S INDIVIDUAL RECOVERY. CRIME VICTIM SERVICES ARE NEEDED AS PART OF THE INITIAL CRISIS RESPONSE, AT THE BEGINNING OF A VICTIM'S HEALING, AND IN LONG-TERM HEALING.

(c) PEOPLE OF COLOR HAVE MUCH HIGHER RATES OF VIOLENT CRIME VICTIMIZATION;

(d) BECAUSE OF THE HIGHER VICTIMIZATION RATES FOR MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING PEOPLE OF COLOR, AND BECAUSE THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN UNDERSERVED, IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO SERVICES FOR MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING VICTIMS OF COLOR; AND

(e) IN A CONTINUED EFFORT TO PROMOTE INCREASED DIVERSITY AMONG THE FUNDED VICTIM SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO ADDRESS BARRIERS THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR AND OTHER MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES FACE IN ACCESSING VICTIM SERVICES.

(2) THE COLORADO CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUND IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY AND REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "FUND". THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE DIVISION FOR CRIME VICTIM SERVICES GRANTS, AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.

(3) THE DIVISION SHALL AWARD GRANTS FROM THE FUND TO GOVERNMENTAL

AGENCIES AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES FOR CRIME VICTIMS, INCLUDING ATTENDING TO THE NEEDS OF ANIMAL COMPANIONS. A GRANT AWARD MAY BE USED TO ENHANCE OR PROVIDE SERVICES FOR CRIME VICTIMS, INCLUDING SERVICES PERMITTED PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL "AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021", PUB.L. 117-2. THE DIVISION SHALL AWARD GRANTS FROM THE FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DIVISION'S PROCESS FOR AWARDING GRANTS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-33.5-507.

(4) WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THIRTY-TWO MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND FROM THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND RELIEF CASH FUND, CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-228, AND TRANSFER SIX MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

(5) (a) THE DIVISION MAY USE UP TO FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND UP TO FIVE PERCENT OF ANY OTHER MONEY TRANSFERRED OR APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS INCURRED BY THE DIVISION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(b) THE DIVISION AND EACH RECIPIENT OF MONEY FROM THE FUND SHALL COMPLY WITH THE COMPLIANCE, REPORTING, RECORD-KEEPING, AND PROGRAM EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-75-226 (5).

(6) THE DIVISION SHALL ANNUALLY PUBLISH ON ITS WEBSITE:

(a) FOR EACH ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES A GRANT, THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION, AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AWARD, THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF CRIMES FOR WHICH VICTIMS ARE SERVED, AND THE SERVICES PROVIDED WITH GRANT MONEY;

(b) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE A GRANT, IN AGGREGATE: THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF CRIMES FOR WHICH VICTIMS ARE SERVED; THE TYPES OF SERVICES PROVIDED; AND THE GENDER, RACE AND ETHNICITY, AND OTHER AVAILABLE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF CLIENTS SERVED WITH A GRANT AWARD; AND

(c) TO THE EXTENT KNOWN, AND IN AGGREGATE FORM, THE GENDER, RACIAL AND ETHNIC MAKEUP, AND OTHER DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OF THE STAFF AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, IF APPLICABLE, OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE A GRANT. THE DIVISION SHALL MAKE ITS BEST EFFORT TO COLLECT THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (5).

(7) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027.

**SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-507, **amend** (1) as follows:

**24-33.5-507. Application for grants.** (1) The division shall accept applications from agencies and organizations requesting grants of ~~moneys~~ MONEY for the following purposes, including, but not limited to, the provision of services, training programs, MASS TRAGEDY RESPONSE, additional personnel, and equipment and operating expenses related to victim assistance and notification programs. The crime



victim services advisory board created in section 24-4.1-117.3 (1) shall evaluate the applications and make recommendations to the division.

**SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-4.1-117.3, **amend** (2)(c) and (2)(e) as follows:

**24-4.1-117.3. Crime victim services advisory board - creation - duties.**  
(2) (c) The term of office for each member of the advisory board ~~shall be~~ is three years. ~~except that, of the members first appointed, six members shall be appointed to serve one-year terms and six members shall be appointed to serve two-year terms.~~  
A MEMBER SHALL NOT SERVE MORE THAN THREE CONSECUTIVE THREE-YEAR TERMS. A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SENATE BILL 22-183, ENACTED IN 2022, WHO HAS SERVED MORE THAN THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS MAY SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE MEMBER'S CURRENT TERM, BUT SHALL NOT SERVE A CONSECUTIVE SUBSEQUENT TERM.

(e) ~~The executive director shall appoint the initial members of the advisory board on or before August 1, 2009. The executive director may reappoint a person to serve an unlimited number of consecutive terms.~~ SUBSEQUENT TERMS ON THE ADVISORY BOARD, BUT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPOINT A PERSON TO SERVE MORE THAN THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS. The executive director shall annually appoint a chairperson of the advisory board who shall preside over the advisory board's meetings.

**SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-1.9-102, **amend** (1)(a)(VIII) as follows:

**24-1.9-102. Memorandum of understanding - local-level interagency oversight groups - individualized service and support teams - coordination of services for children and families - requirements - waiver.** (1) (a) Local representatives of each of the agencies specified in this subsection (1)(a) and county departments of human or social services may enter into memorandums of understanding that are designed to promote a collaborative system of local-level interagency oversight groups and individualized service and support teams to coordinate and manage the provision of services to children and families who would benefit from integrated multi-agency services. The memorandums of understanding entered into pursuant to this subsection (1) must be between interested county departments of human or social services and local representatives of each of the following agencies or entities:

(VIII) A domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE program as defined in section 26-7.5-102, C.R.S.; if representation from such a program is available.

**SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 14-15-107, **amend** (5)(k) as follows:

**14-15-107. Rights, benefits, protections, duties, obligations, responsibilities, and other incidents of parties to a civil union.** (5) Rights, benefits, protections, duties, obligations, responsibilities, and other incidents under law as are granted to or imposed upon spouses, that apply in like manner to parties to a civil union under this section, include but are not limited to:

(k) Domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE programs pursuant to article 7.5 of title 26, ~~C.R.S.~~; emergency protection orders pursuant to section 13-14-103, ~~C.R.S.~~; and the right to receive the protections and programs specified in part 8 of article 6 of title 18; ~~C.R.S.~~;

**SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-1-201, **amend** (1)(j) as follows:

**26-1-201. Programs administered - services provided - department of human services.** (1) This section specifies the programs to be administered and the services to be provided by the department of human services. These programs and services include the following:

(j) The domestic ~~abuse~~ VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC programs, as specified in article 7.5 of this title;

**SECTION 13.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-4.2-103, **add** (1.8) as follows:

**24-4.2-103. Victims and witnesses assistance and law enforcement fund - control of fund.** (1.8) (a) WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION (1.8), THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND FROM THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND RELIEF CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION ~~24-75-228~~ FOR DISTRIBUTION TO DISTRICT ATTORNEYS' OFFICES FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES PROGRAMS AND PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 24-4.2-103 AND 24-4.2-105. THE OFFICE OF THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR SHALL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THE VICTIMS AND WITNESS ASSISTANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS IN EACH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, DISTRIBUTE THE MONEY TRANSFERRED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1.8) BASED ON NEED.

(b) THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT AND EACH RECIPIENT OF MONEY FROM THE FUND SHALL COMPLY WITH THE COMPLIANCE, REPORTING, RECORD-KEEPING, AND PROGRAM EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION ~~24-75-226~~ (5).

(c) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION, A DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE MAY USE UP TO TEN PERCENT OF ANY MONEY DISTRIBUTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1.8) FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(d) THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION 24-4.2-105 (1) DO NOT APPLY TO THIS SUBSECTION (1.8).

**SECTION 14.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-20.5-801, **amend** (9)(e); and **add** (10) as follows:

**25-20.5-801. Community crime victims grant program - created - cash fund - repeal.** (9) (e) The state treasurer shall transfer all unexpended and unencumbered money in the fund on ~~September 1, 2023~~ SEPTEMBER 1, 2024, to the general fund.

(10) (a) ON JULY 1, 2022, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER ONE MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE COMMUNITY CRIME VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM CASH FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION.

(b) THIS SUBSECTION (10) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023.

**SECTION 15.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-228, **add** (2)(b)(III) as follows:

**24-75-228. Economic recovery and relief cash fund - creation - allowable uses - interim task force - report - legislative declaration - definitions - repeal.**

(2) (b) In addition to the uses set forth in subsection (2)(a) of this section:

(III) MONEY FROM THE FUND MAY BE USED FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 7.5 OF TITLE 26; CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUNDED THROUGH THE COLORADO CRIME VICTIM SERVICES FUND ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 24-33.5-505.5; AND SERVICES FUNDED THROUGH THE VICTIMS AND WITNESSES ASSISTANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND DESCRIBED IN SECTION 24-4.2-103.

**SECTION 16.** In Session Laws of Colorado 2021, section 9 of chapter 291, **amend** (5) and (8) as follows:

Section 9. **Appropriation.** (5) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the department of public safety for use by the division of criminal justice. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds in the victims assistance and law enforcement fund under subsection (4) of this section. To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation for the state victims assistance and law enforcement program. ANY MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THIS SUBSECTION (5) NOT EXPENDED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2022, IS FURTHER APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2022-23 AND 2023-24 STATE FISCAL YEARS FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.

(8) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, \$4,750,000 is appropriated to the department of human services for use by the office of self sufficiency. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds in the Colorado domestic abuse program fund under subsection (7) of this section. To implement this act, the office may use this appropriation for the domestic abuse program. ANY MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THIS SUBSECTION (8) NOT EXPENDED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2022, IS FURTHER APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2022-23 AND 2023-24 STATE FISCAL YEARS FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.

**SECTION 17. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Approved: May 19, 2022