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SENATE BILL 24-040

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Danielson and Ginal,

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Willford and Young,

Senate Committees

Health & Human Services
Appropriations

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING REVIEWING THE ADEQUACY OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR**
102 **STATE FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES EVERY THREE YEARS.**

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 <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill requires the general assembly to annually adjust for inflation the general fund appropriation for state funding for senior services.

No later than August 2024, and each August every 3 years thereafter, the bill requires the department of human services (department), the office of state planning and budgeting, and

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
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representatives from area agencies on aging to review the adequacy of the appropriation for senior services for the prior 3 fiscal years to address the needs of senior citizens who request services pursuant to the "Older Coloradans' Act". The department is required to report the findings of the adequacy review to the general assembly.

For the 2024-25 state fiscal year, the bill appropriates \$5 million from the general fund to the department of human services for state funding for senior services.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 26-11-209 as
3 follows:

4 **26-11-209. Adequacy review - appropriation for senior**
5 **services - report.** **(1)** NO LATER THAN AUGUST 2024, AND EACH AUGUST
6 EVERY THREE YEARS THEREAFTER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THE OFFICE
7 OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM AREA
8 AGENCIES ON AGING SHALL REVIEW THE ADEQUACY OF THE
9 APPROPRIATION FOR STATE FUNDING FOR SENIOR SERVICES FOR THE PRIOR
10 THREE FISCAL YEARS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF SENIOR CITIZENS WHO
11 REQUEST SERVICES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 11.

12 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), NO LATER
13 THAN NOVEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR AFTER THE ADEQUACY REVIEW IS
14 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE
15 DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT THE FINDINGS OF THE ADEQUACY REVIEW TO
16 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND
17 HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN
18 SERVICES COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND THE JOINT
19 BUDGET COMMITTEE.

20 (3) AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S "SMART ACT" HEARING
21 REQUIRED BY SECTION 2-7-203 FOLLOWING THE ADEQUACY REVIEW

1 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE
2 DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE AS PART OF ITS PRESENTATION
3 INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FINDINGS OF THE ADEQUACY REVIEW
4 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

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6 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
7 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
8 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
9 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
10 institutions.