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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
102 PHYSICIANS.

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 establishes a continuing medical education requirement (CME) for physicians licensed in this state.

To meet the CME requirement, a physician must complete 40 credit hours of CME (CME credit hours) in the 24 months preceding the renewal, reinstatement, or reactivation of the physician's medical license in topics selected by the physician and also in topics specified in the bill.

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The Colorado medical board (board) shall approve the type and sponsors of programs or activities that qualify for CME credit hours pursuant to criteria specified in the bill.

To verify compliance with the CME requirement, the physician shall affirm on the license renewal form submitted to the board that the physician has complied with the CME requirement. The board is also authorized to audit up to 5% of physician renewals annually and to require that the physician submit proof of the CME programs completed and the CME credit hours awarded. A physician's failure to comply with the CME requirement or to submit proof to the board during a board audit constitutes unprofessional conduct. If the physician fails to comply with the CME requirement, the physician's license is inactive until reinstated by the board.

The board may adopt rules to implement the CME requirement.

The director of the division of professions and occupations in the department of regulatory agencies shall increase existing fees on physician licensure renewals to cover any additional costs associated with implementing the CME requirement.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-240-130, **amend**
3 (1) and (2)(a); **repeal** (3); and **add** (5) and (6) as follows:

4 **12-240-130. Renewal, reinstatement, reactivation -**
5 **delinquency - fees - questionnaire.** (1) All licenses issued pursuant to
6 this article 240 are subject to the renewal, expiration, reinstatement, and
7 delinquency fee provisions specified in section 12-20-202 (1) and (2).
8 The director shall increase renewal fees consistent with section 12-30-105
9 (4) to ~~fund~~ COVER the division's costs in administering and staffing the
10 nurse-physician advisory task force for Colorado health care created in
11 section 12-30-105 (1) AND ANY ADDITIONAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
12 IMPLEMENTING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PHYSICIANS
13 PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-240-130.5. A person whose license has expired
14 ~~shall be~~ IS subject to the penalties provided in this article 240 or section
15 12-20-202 (1).

1 (2) (a) The board shall design a questionnaire to accompany the
2 renewal form for the purpose of determining whether a licensee has acted
3 in violation of this article 240, or has been disciplined for any action that
4 might be considered a violation of this article 240 or that might make the
5 licensee unfit to practice medicine with reasonable care and safety. The
6 board shall include on the questionnaire a question regarding whether:

7 (I) The licensee has complied with section 12-30-111; ~~and~~

8 (II) The licensee is in compliance with section 12-280-403 (2)(a)
9 and is aware of the penalties for failing to comply with that section;

10 (III) THE LICENSEE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-30-114;

11 AND

12 (IV) THE LICENSEE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-240-130.5
13 RELATING TO REQUIRED CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION AND IS AWARE
14 OF THE PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THAT SECTION.

15 (3) ~~Applicants for relicensure shall not be required to attend and~~
16 ~~complete continuing medical education programs, except as directed by~~
17 ~~the board to correct deficiencies of training or education as directed under~~
18 ~~section 12-240-125 (5)(c)(HH)(B).~~

19 (5) ON AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2022, AS A CONDITION OF
20 RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, OR REACTIVATION OF A LICENSE, EACH
21 LICENSEE OR APPLICANT SHALL ATTEST THAT THE LICENSEE OR APPLICANT
22 IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-30-114 AND THAT THE LICENSEE OR
23 APPLICANT IS AWARE OF THE PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THAT
24 SECTION.

25 (6) ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026, AS A CONDITION OF
26 RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, OR REACTIVATION OF A LICENSE, EACH
27 LICENSEE OR APPLICANT SHALL ATTEST THAT THE LICENSEE OR APPLICANT

1 IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 12-240-130.5 AND THAT THE LICENSEE
2 OR APPLICANT IS AWARE OF THE PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH
3 THAT SECTION.

4 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-240-106, **amend**
5 (1)(b) and (1)(c); and **add** (1)(d) as follows:

6 **12-240-106. Powers and duties of board - limitation on**
7 **authority - rules.** (1) In addition to all other powers and duties conferred
8 and imposed upon the board by this article 240, the board has the
9 following powers and duties to:

10 (b) Make investigations, hold hearings, and take evidence in
11 accordance with section 12-20-403 in all matters relating to the exercise
12 and performance of the powers and duties vested in the board; ~~and~~

13 (c) Aid law enforcement in the enforcement of this article 240 and
14 in the prosecution of all persons, firms, associations, or corporations
15 charged with the violation of any of its provisions; AND

16 (d) ADOPT RULES AS NECESSARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
17 12-240-130.5 TO IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENT FOR CONTINUING
18 MEDICAL EDUCATION FOR PHYSICIANS.

19 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-240-121, **add**
20 (1)(ii) as follows:

21 **12-240-121. Unprofessional conduct - definitions.**

22 (1) "Unprofessional conduct" as used in this article 241 means:

23 (ii) FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE CONTINUING MEDICAL
24 EDUCATION REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 12-240-130.5 OR TO
25 PROVIDE THE REQUIRED EVIDENCE OF COMPLETION OF CONTINUING
26 MEDICAL EDUCATION CREDIT HOURS IN RESPONSE TO AN AUDIT BY THE
27 BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-240-130.5 (8).

1 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 12-240-130.5 as
2 follows:

3 **12-240-130.5. Continuing medical education - requirement -**
4 **compliance - legislative declaration - rules - definitions.** (1) (a) THE
5 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

6 (I) MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE, METHODS OF DIAGNOSIS, AND
7 TREATMENT OPTIONS HAVE EXPANDED EXPONENTIALLY SINCE THE
8 BEGINNING OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY, WITH EXCITING RESEARCH
9 AND DISCOVERIES, INCLUDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MEDICATIONS
10 AND TOOLS FOR MORE ACCURATE AND EFFECTIVE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT,
11 AND PREVENTION OF DISEASE;

12 (II) WHILE THERE ARE PROMISING ADVANCES IN MEDICINE,
13 COLORADO FACES CHALLENGES THAT AFFECT THE HEALTH AND
14 WELL-BEING OF ITS RESIDENTS, INCLUDING AN AGING POPULATION;
15 NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES, INCLUDING
16 EPIDEMICS AND PANDEMICS; NONNATIVE DISEASES AND CONDITIONS;
17 CHANGING ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND NEW CONTAMINANTS IN
18 WATER, AIR, AND FOOD THAT ARE DANGEROUS TO HUMAN HEALTH;
19 CHANGES IN STATE AND FEDERAL LAW IMPACTING ACCESS TO
20 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE; AND THE INCREASING NEED FOR
21 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE AND PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH-CARE
22 INTEGRATION;

23 (III) STATE AND NATIONAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS RECOGNIZE
24 THE PRACTICAL AND ETHICAL DUTIES PHYSICIANS HAVE TO THEIR
25 PATIENTS AND TO THE PROFESSION TO MAINTAIN COMPETENCY IN THE
26 RAPIDLY CHANGING MEDICAL FIELD AND THE WORLD; AND

27 (IV) TO MEET THESE CHALLENGES AND DUTIES, THERE IS A NEED

1 FOR MANDATED CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION FOR PHYSICIANS.

2 (b) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS AND
3 DECLARES THAT:

4 (I) A LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THIS STATE IS GRANTED
5 TO INDIVIDUALS WHO DEMONSTRATE COMPETENCY IN THE PROFESSION;
6 AND

7 (II) AS A CONDITION OF THE PERIODIC RENEWAL OF A PHYSICIAN'S
8 LICENSE OR THE REINSTATEMENT OR REACTIVATION OF A MEDICAL
9 LICENSE, IT IS APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY THAT COLORADO REQUIRE
10 A PHYSICIAN TO COMPLETE CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION TO ENSURE
11 CONTINUING COMPETENCY IN THE PROFESSION AND TO PREPARE FOR THE
12 PATIENTS AND HEALTH ISSUES OF THE FUTURE.

13 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
14 REQUIRES:

15 (a) "*AMA PRA CATEGORY I CREDIT™*" MEANS CREDIT FOR HOURS
16 AWARDED FOR CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION THAT APPLY TOWARD
17 THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S PHYSICIAN'S RECOGNITION
18 AWARD.

19 (b) "APPROVED CME PROGRAM" MEANS A PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY
20 THAT IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD BY RULE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
21 (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION AS COUNTING TOWARD A PHYSICIAN'S CME
22 REQUIREMENT.

23 (c) "CME CREDIT HOUR" MEANS ONE HOUR OF CME CREDIT
24 AWARDED FOR ONE CLOCK HOUR OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION.

25 (d) "COMPLIANCE PERIOD" MEANS THE TWENTY-FOUR-MONTH
26 PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, OR
27 REACTIVATION OF A PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE.

1 (e) "CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION" OR "CME" MEANS AN
2 APPROVED CME PROGRAM OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION AFTER
3 INITIAL LICENSURE THAT IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

4 (3) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS TITLE 12 TO
5 THE CONTRARY, COMMENCING WITH LICENSE RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT,
6 OR REACTIVATION OCCURRING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026, EXCEPT AS
7 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (3)(c), (4), AND (5) OF THIS SECTION, THE
8 BOARD SHALL NOT RENEW, REINSTATE, OR REACTIVATE A LICENSE OF A
9 PHYSICIAN UNLESS THE PHYSICIAN PRESENTS EVIDENCE THAT THE
10 PHYSICIAN HAS COMPLETED FORTY CME CREDIT HOURS WITHIN THE
11 COMPLIANCE PERIOD.

12 (b) UNLESS CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN A BOARD AUDIT OF CME
13 COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION, A PHYSICIAN
14 SHALL PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION BY:

15 (I) ANSWERING AFFIRMATIVELY, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, A
16 QUESTION REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CME REQUIREMENT THAT
17 IS INCLUDED ON THE QUESTIONNAIRE THAT ACCOMPANIES THE LICENSE
18 RENEWAL FORM DESCRIBED IN SECTION 12-240-130 (2); OR

19 (II) FOR AN APPLICANT FOR REINSTATEMENT OR REACTIVATION, BY
20 ATTESTING TO THAT FACT ON THE APPLICATION.

21 (c) IF NECESSARY, THE BOARD SHALL ADJUST PROPORTIONATELY
22 THE NUMBER OF CME CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
23 (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION TO ENSURE THAT, DUE TO THE DATE OF THE
24 LICENSE RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, OR REACTIVATION, A PHYSICIAN IS
25 NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN FORTY CME CREDIT HOURS IN FEWER THAN
26 TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS.

27 (d) TO QUALIFY FOR CME CREDIT HOURS, A PROGRAM OR

1 ACTIVITY MUST BE AN APPROVED CME PROGRAM, AS DETERMINED BY THE
2 BOARD BY RULE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

3 (e) AS PART OF THE FORTY CME CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED
4 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION, OR THE ADJUSTED
5 NUMBER OF CME CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
6 (3)(c) OF THIS SECTION, A PHYSICIAN SHALL COMPLETE CME CREDIT
7 HOURS IN TOPICS SPECIFIED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS
8 SECTION.

9 (4) (a) THE BOARD MAY RENEW THE LICENSE OF A PHYSICIAN WHO
10 PRESENTS ACCEPTABLE EVIDENCE TO THE BOARD THAT THE PHYSICIAN
11 WAS UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH THE CME CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED
12 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

13 (b) THE BOARD MAY GRANT A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION OF THE
14 COMPLIANCE PERIOD TO A PHYSICIAN WHO IS UNABLE TO COMPLY WITH
15 THE CME CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF
16 THIS SECTION.

17 (5) THE BOARD MAY WAIVE THE CME REQUIREMENT FOR A
18 PHYSICIAN'S FIRST RENEWAL PERIOD IF THE PHYSICIAN WAS INITIALLY
19 LICENSED WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS AFTER COMPLETING A
20 BOARD-APPROVED INTERNSHIP OR POSTGRADUATE TRAINING.

21 (6) AS PART OF THE CME REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT
22 TO THIS SECTION, IN ADDITION TO APPROVED CME PROGRAMS COVERING
23 TOPICS SELECTED BY THE PHYSICIAN, A PHYSICIAN'S CME CREDIT HOURS
24 MUST INCLUDE:

25 (a) CME CREDIT HOURS THAT COMPLY WITH SECTION 12-30-114
26 AND RELATED BOARD RULES;

27 (b) TWELVE CME CREDIT HOURS DURING EACH CME COMPLIANCE

1 PERIOD RELATING TO REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH TOPICS, INCLUDING
2 REPRODUCTIVE ANATOMY, REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM IMAGING,
3 REPRODUCTIVE CANCERS, COMMON ISSUES LEADING TO MISDIAGNOSIS OF
4 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CONDITIONS AND DISEASES, AND PREVENTION OF
5 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CONDITIONS AND DISEASES; AND

6 (c) CME CREDIT HOURS COVERING A TOPIC SPECIFIED BY THE
7 BOARD BY RULE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7)(c) OF THIS SECTION.

8 (7) THE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES NECESSARY TO
9 IMPLEMENT A PHYSICIAN CME REQUIREMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS
10 SECTION. IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER RULES, THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT
11 RULES:

12 (a) (I) APPROVING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES THAT QUALIFY FOR
13 CME CREDIT HOURS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, WHICH PROGRAMS OR
14 ACTIVITIES MUST INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM:

15 (A) A PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY THE COLORADO MEDICAL
16 SOCIETY OR BY THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OR THE
17 ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION THAT
18 QUALIFIES FOR *AMA PRA CATEGORY I CREDIT*TM;

19 (B) A PROGRAM THAT QUALIFIES FOR PRESCRIBED CREDIT FROM
20 THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS;

21 (C) A PROGRAM REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN NATIONAL BOARD
22 CERTIFICATION, NOT INCLUDING A PROGRAM OF SELF STUDY OR THAT IS
23 SELF-CLAIMED OR SELF-DOCUMENTED BY THE PHYSICIAN; AND

24 (D) ANY OTHER PROGRAM ACCREDITED, CERTIFIED, OR OFFERED
25 BY A PERSON THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD, NOT INCLUDING A
26 PROGRAM OF SELF STUDY OR THAT IS SELF-CLAIMED OR
27 SELF-DOCUMENTED BY THE PHYSICIAN.

1 (II) EACH APPROVED CME PROGRAM MUST CONSIST OF AT LEAST
2 ONE CME CREDIT HOUR OF EDUCATION IN ANY AREA RELATING TO THE
3 PRACTICE OF MEDICINE, MEDICAL PRACTICE ADMINISTRATION, OR
4 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE MANAGEMENT; EXCEPT THAT THE BOARD MAY
5 PRESCRIBE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF APPROVED CME CREDIT HOURS
6 DURING A COMPLIANCE PERIOD THAT RELATE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF AN
7 OFFICE OR OTHER PRACTICE MANAGEMENT TOPIC.

8 (b) REQUIRING THAT A PHYSICIAN MAINTAIN A TRANSCRIPT OR
9 CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE AT THE APPROVED CME PROGRAM THAT
10 INCLUDES A STATEMENT OF THE CREDIT HOURS EARNED;

11 (c) REQUIRING SPECIFIC CME TOPICS, AS DETERMINED BY THE
12 BOARD;

13 (d) INDICATING THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE BOARD
14 WOULD WAIVE THE CME REQUIREMENT FOR A PHYSICIAN OR EXTEND THE
15 PHYSICIAN'S COMPLIANCE PERIOD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS
16 SECTION;

17 (e) IMPLEMENTING AN AUDIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION,
18 IF UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOARD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS
19 SECTION; AND

20 (f) FOR REINSTATEMENT OF A LICENSE THAT HAS BECOME
21 INACTIVE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION.

22 (8) (a) THE BOARD MAY ANNUALLY AUDIT UP TO FIVE PERCENT OF
23 PHYSICIANS, CHOSEN AT RANDOM, FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

24 (b) IF CHOSEN BY THE BOARD FOR AN AUDIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
25 THE CME REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION,
26 UNLESS THE BOARD HAS ADJUSTED THE NUMBER OF REQUIRED CREDIT
27 HOURS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3)(c) OF THIS SECTION OR GRANTED A

1 WAIVER OR EXTENSION OF THE CME REQUIREMENT DURING THE
2 COMPLIANCE PERIOD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION, THE
3 PHYSICIAN SHALL PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THE COMPLETION OF FORTY
4 CREDIT HOURS OF APPROVED CME PROGRAMS COMPLETED WITHIN THE
5 TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE PHYSICIAN'S
6 RENEWAL, REINSTATEMENT, OR REACTIVATION OF THE LICENSE.

7 (9) (a) IF A PHYSICIAN FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE CME
8 REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION OR TO PROVIDE
9 THE REQUIRED EVIDENCE OF COMPLETION OF CME CREDIT HOURS IN
10 RESPONSE TO AN AUDIT BY THE BOARD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8)(a)
11 OF THIS SECTION:

12 (I) THE PHYSICIAN'S FAILURE CONSTITUTES UNPROFESSIONAL
13 CONDUCT; AND

14 (II) THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE BECOMES INACTIVE UNTIL
15 REINSTATED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT TO BOARD RULE.

16 (b) A PHYSICIAN WITH AN INACTIVE LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED TO
17 COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION BUT SHALL MEET THE CME REQUIREMENT
18 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BEFORE THE BOARD REACTIVATES THE
19 LICENSE.

20 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-240-120, **amend**
21 (1)(c) and (1)(d); and **add** (1)(e) as follows:

22 **12-240-120. Refusal of license - issuance subject to probation.**

23 (1) The board may refrain from issuing a license or may grant a license
24 subject to terms of probation if the board determines that an applicant for
25 a license:

26 (c) Has been disciplined in another state or foreign jurisdiction
27 with respect to ~~his or her~~ THE APPLICANT'S license to practice medicine,

1 license to practice as a physician assistant, or license to practice as an
2 anesthesiologist assistant; ~~or~~

3 (d) Has not actively practiced medicine, practiced as a physician
4 assistant, or practiced as an anesthesiologist assistant for the two-year
5 period immediately preceding the filing of an application, or otherwise
6 maintained continued competency during that period, as determined by
7 the board; OR

8 (e) HAS NOT COMPLETED REQUIRED CONTINUING MEDICAL
9 EDUCATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-240-130.5.

10 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-240-141, **amend**
11 (5) as follows:

12 **12-240-141. Inactive license.** (5) Any person licensed under this
13 section who wishes to resume the practice of medicine or to resume
14 practice as a physician assistant shall file an application in the form and
15 manner the board shall designate, MEET THE REQUIRED APPLICABLE
16 CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION
17 12-240-130.5, pay the license fee promulgated by the board pursuant to
18 section 12-240-130, and meet the financial responsibility requirements
19 promulgated by the board pursuant to section 13-64-301 (1). The board
20 may approve the application and issue a license or may deny the
21 application as set forth in section 12-240-120.

22 **SECTION 7. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
23 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
24 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
25 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
26 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
27 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take

1 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
2 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
3 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.