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STATE OF COLORADO

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LLS NO. 24-1079.01 Jane Ritter x4342

HOUSE BILL 24-1377

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Marvin and Young,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

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House Committees  
Health & Human Services

Senate Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING COURT-APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES WHO WORK  
102 WITH YOUTH IN THE FOSTER YOUTH IN TRANSITION PROGRAM.

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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 clarifies that court-appointed special advocate volunteers can be attached, stay attached, or be reattached to cases for foster youth in transition.

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

1           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-91-103, **amend**  
2 (3) as follows:

3           **13-91-103. Definitions.** As used in this article 91, unless the  
4 context otherwise requires:

5           (3) "Court-appointed special advocate" or "CASA volunteer"  
6 means a trained volunteer appointed by the court pursuant to the  
7 provisions of part 2 of article 1 of title 19, ~~C.R.S.~~, section 14-10-116,  
8 ~~C.R.S.~~, or title 15, ~~C.R.S.~~, in a judicial district to aid the court by  
9 providing independent and objective information, as directed by the court,  
10 regarding children AND YOUTH involved in actions brought pursuant to  
11 section 14-10-116 ~~C.R.S.~~, or title 15 or 19. ~~C.R.S.~~

12           **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
13 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
14 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
15 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
16 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
17 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
18 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
19 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
20 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.