

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

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1 Amend printed bill, page 12, after line 8 insert:

2 **"SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 27-60-205 as
3 follows:

4 **27-60-205. Substance use workforce stability grant program**

5 **- repeal.** (1) THERE IS ESTABLISHED IN THE BHA THE SUBSTANCE USE
6 WORKFORCE STABILITY GRANT PROGRAM, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION
7 AS THE "GRANT PROGRAM". THE BHA SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT
8 PROGRAM AND SHALL DEVELOP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE
9 GRANT PROGRAM, WHICH MUST INCLUDE A GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS,
10 CRITERIA FOR AWARDING GRANTS AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF A
11 GRANT AWARD, AND THE TIMELINE FOR AWARDING GRANTS AND
12 DISTRIBUTING GRANT MONEY.

13 (2) A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT PROVIDER OR A
14 RECOVERY PROVIDER, INCLUDING PROVIDERS THAT SERVE CHILDREN, AND
15 A LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 27-60-301, IS ELIGIBLE
16 FOR A GRANT. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A GRANT, A PROVIDER MUST SUBMIT
17 AN APPLICATION TO THE BHA AND MUST PRIORITIZE PROVIDING SERVICES
18 TO VOLUNTARY AND CIVIL CLIENTS.

19 (3) THE BHA SHALL ACCEPT AND REVIEW GRANT APPLICATIONS
20 AND AWARD GRANTS. THE BHA SHALL PRIORITIZE AWARDING GRANTS TO
21 PROVIDERS THAT OFFER SAME-DAY OR NEXT-DAY APPOINTMENTS, SERVE
22 LOW-INCOME AND MARGINALIZED POPULATIONS, OR INTEND TO EXPAND
23 THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THEY SERVE.

24 (4) A GRANT RECIPIENT SHALL USE A GRANT AWARD TO SUPPORT
25 DIRECT CARE STAFF WHO SPEND FIFTY PERCENT OR MORE OF THEIR TIME
26 WORKING WITH CLIENTS. SUPPORTING DIRECT CARE STAFF MAY INCLUDE
27 TEMPORARY SALARY INCREASES, RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION BONUSES,
28 AND OTHER TACTICS THAT SUPPORT STAFF.

29 (5) (a) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE TO THE
30 STATE DEPARTMENT FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE BEHAVIORAL
31 AND MENTAL HEALTH CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-230 FOR THE
32 GRANT PROGRAM.

33 (b) THE STATE DEPARTMENT, BHA, AND ANY PERSON WHO
34 RECEIVES MONEY FROM THE BHA, INCLUDING EACH GRANT RECIPIENT,
35 SHALL COMPLY WITH THE COMPLIANCE, REPORTING, RECORD-KEEPING,
36 AND PROGRAM EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICE
37 OF STATE PLANNING AND BUDGETING AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IN
38 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-75-226 (5).

39 (6) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2027.".

40 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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