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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING MECHANISMS TO SUPPORT THE INTEGRATION OF**
102 **COLORADANS WITH DISABILITIES INTO THEIR COMMUNITIES,**
103 **AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING THE COLORADO**
104 **DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF**
105 **LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AND MOVING THE COLORADO**
106 **DISABILITY FUNDING COMMITTEE AND ITS FUNCTIONS FROM THE**
107 **DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL TO THE COLORADO DISABILITY**
108 **OPPORTUNITY OFFICE.**

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

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The bill creates the Colorado disability opportunity office (CDOO) within the department of labor and employment (department) as a **type 1** entity. The executive director of the department is required to appoint the director of the CDOO. The CDOO is required to:

- Serve as a resource for contact for state agencies, private and nonprofit organizations, and the public concerning disability issues in Colorado;
- Ensure that goals of full societal inclusion for individuals with disabilities are met by meeting with stakeholders from entities around the state related to disabilities and with state agencies to develop recommendations on the administration of grants, restructuring of disability related entities, and collaboration on overlapping aging and disability issues; and
- Submit the recommendations to the governor and state agencies.

The CDOO is also required to:

- Implement a statewide strategy to facilitate economic stability for individuals with disabilities and promote successful economic, social, and community integration and to identify and address issues related to integration;
- Work towards enhanced inclusion and equitable opportunities for individuals with disabilities, as well as address concerns raised by disability populations;
- Coordinate with other entities to identify and eliminate barriers to prosperity and the integration of individuals with disabilities into their communities;
- Make recommendations to the governor and state agencies on ways to improve policies and programs to support the integration of individuals with disabilities across the state;
- As funding allows, undertake other projects, including analyzing economic and demographic trends, gathering insight and formulating and presenting recommendations to the governor and state agencies related to issues of concern and importance to individuals with disabilities in Colorado; and
- Promote integration among individuals with disabilities with the goal of implementing disability support through community-based initiatives and nonprofit organizations, which promotion includes economic opportunities, increased access to resources, and state education and outreach.

The bill also transfers the Colorado disability funding committee

(committee) from the department of personnel to the CDOO. The transfer includes a transfer of the committee's responsibilities, including:

- The program to assist persons to obtain disability benefits;
- The program to investigate, fund, and pilot projects or programs to benefit individuals with disabilities; and
- The buying and selling of select registration numbers for license plates to raise funds for the disability support fund.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
3 finds and declares that:

4 (a) Approximately twenty percent of Coloradans live with one or
5 more disabilities;

6 (b) The poverty rate of Coloradans with disabilities is
7 approximately twice that of Coloradans without disabilities;

8 (c) Students with disabilities in Colorado drop out of high school
9 at twice the rate as their peers without disabilities and have a college
10 graduation rate that is half that of students without disabilities;

11 (d) The employment rate of Coloradans with disabilities is
12 approximately forty percent that of Coloradans without disabilities;

13 (e) Two-thirds of Colorado's unhoused population have one or
14 more disabilities;

15 (f) Individuals with disabilities are often subject to discrimination
16 in the areas of telecommunication, public services, public
17 accommodations operated by private entities, and employment;

18 (g) The federal "Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990", 42
19 U.S.C. sec. 12101 et seq., as amended; the federal "Rehabilitation Act of
20 1973", 29 U.S.C. sec. 701 et seq., as amended; and the "Individuals with
21 Disabilities Education Act", 20 U.S.C. sec. 1400 et seq., as amended,
22 establish principles and guidelines regarding individuals with disabilities;

1 (h) Colorado's disability and aging populations are growing as a
2 proportion of the total population; and

3 (i) Colorado is committed to:

4 (I) Protecting the civil rights of individuals with disabilities;

5 (II) Creating opportunities for individuals with disabilities to
6 thrive; and

7 (III) Ensuring individuals with disabilities have adequate:

8 (A) Health care, including community-based long-term services
9 and supports;

10 (B) Affordable and accessible housing integrated into
11 communities statewide;

12 (C) Transportation;

13 (D) Employment supports, including benefits counseling.

14 (E) Education, from early intervention through higher education;

15 (F) Emergency and disaster planning and preparedness; and

16 (G) Recreational opportunities; and

17 (IV) Ensuring that individuals with disabilities have a voice in
18 governing.

19 (2) Therefore, the general assembly finds that it is in the best
20 interest of the state of Colorado to strive to achieve equality of
21 opportunity, education, health, independent living, mobility, and
22 economic self-sufficiency for individuals with disabilities and that the
23 creation of the Colorado disability opportunity office is vital to achieving
24 these goals.

25 (3) It is in the best interest of the state to transfer the Colorado
26 disability funding committee (committee) to the Colorado disability
27 opportunity office (office), which is created in this act, given the

1 alignment of the purpose of the committee and the intent of the office, to
2 ensure there is a focus on opportunities for Coloradans with disabilities
3 in the grant and contract work done by the committee. It is the intent of
4 the general assembly for the office to advise the committee on disability
5 issues, to help state agencies coordinate their efforts concerning disability
6 issues, and to not supplant the work or responsibilities or statutory
7 authority of state agencies.

8 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add with amended**
9 **and relocated provisions** article 88 to title 8 as follows:

10 **ARTICLE 88**

11 **Support of Coloradans with Disabilities**

12 **PART 1**

13 **COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE**

14 **8-88-101. [Formerly 24-30-2202] Definitions.** As used in this part
15 ~~22, unless the context otherwise requires~~ ARTICLE 88:

16 (1) "CDOO" MEANS THE COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY
17 OFFICE CREATED IN SECTION 8-88-102.

18 ~~(1)~~ (2) "Committee" means the Colorado disability funding
19 committee created in section ~~24-30-2203~~ 8-88-202.

20 ~~(2)~~ (3) "Contract entity" means ~~the~~ AN entity the committee
21 contracts with PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-88-206 (5) to implement ~~sections~~
22 ~~24-30-2206 to 24-30-2210~~ SECTION 8-88-206.

23 (4) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND
24 EMPLOYMENT CREATED IN SECTION 24-1-121.

25 (5) "DISABILITY" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN
26 SECTION 24-34-301 (7).

27 ~~(3)~~ (6) "Disability benefits" means THE FOLLOWING SERVICES

1 PROVIDED TO AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY:

2 (a) Cash payments from social security disability insurance under
3 Title II of the federal "Social Security Act", 42 U.S.C. sec. 401 et seq., as
4 amended;

5 (b) Cash payments made by the federal government to persons
6 who are aged, blind, or disabled under Title XVI of the federal "Social
7 Security Act", 42 U.S.C. sec. 401 et seq., as amended; ~~and~~

8 (c) AID TO THE NEEDY DISABLED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-2-119;

9 (d) MEDICAL CARE, INCLUDING long-term care under the
10 "Colorado Medical Assistance Act", articles 4 to 6 of title 25.5, ~~C.R.S.~~
11 AND THE HOME CARE ALLOWANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO
12 SECTION 26-2-122.3;

13 (e) TAX FILING ASSISTANCE;

14 (f) REBATES FOR PROPERTY TAX, RENT, AND HEAT;

15 (g) EARNED INCOME TAX CREDITS AND STATE TAX CREDITS
16 APPLICABLE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; AND

17 (h) ANY OTHER FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL BENEFITS THAT
18 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND INDEPENDENCE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH
19 DISABILITIES AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE.

20 (7) "FULL SOCIETAL INTEGRATION" MEANS INCLUSIVE LIVING IN
21 THE COMMUNITY OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S CHOOSING, WITH OPTIONS TO WORK,
22 LIVE, RECREATE, LEARN, TRAVEL, AND RECEIVE SERVICES.

23 ~~(4)~~ (8) "Fund" means the disability support fund created in section
24 ~~24-30-2205.5~~ 8-88-205.

25 ~~(5)~~ (9) "Nonprofit entity" means an entity incorporated under the
26 "Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act", articles 121 to 137 of
27 title 7, ~~C.R.S.~~, or a tax-exempt entity under 26 U.S.C. sec. 501 (c)(3) of

1 the federal "Internal Revenue Code of 1986".

2 ~~(6)~~ (10) "Recipient" means a person who receives disability
3 benefits. ~~or long-term care services.~~

4 ~~(7)~~ (11) "Registration number" means the unique combination of
5 letters and numbers assigned to a vehicle by the department OF REVENUE
6 under section 42-3-201 ~~C.R.S.~~, and required to be displayed on ~~the~~ A
7 license plate by section 42-3-202. ~~C.R.S.~~

8 ~~(8)~~ (12) "Vehicle" means a vehicle required to be registered
9 pursuant to part 1 of article 3 of title 42. ~~C.R.S.~~

10 **8-88-102. Colorado disability opportunity office - creation -**
11 **duties - legislative intent.** (1) (a) (I) THERE IS CREATED IN THE
12 DEPARTMENT THE COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE, THE HEAD
13 OF WHICH IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY
14 OFFICE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPOINT
15 THE DIRECTOR OF THE CDOO.

16 (II) THE CDOO IS A **TYPE 1** ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
17 24-1-105, AND EXERCISES ITS POWERS AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES AND
18 FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT.

19 (III) THE DIRECTOR OF THE CDOO HAS REGULAR ACCESS TO THE
20 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AND SHALL COLLABORATE WITH STATE
21 AGENCIES.

22 (b) THE DIRECTOR OF THE CDOO SHALL STAFF THE CDOO IN
23 ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY MEET THE GOALS AND INTENTIONS SET FORTH IN
24 THIS ARTICLE 88 AND TO MEET THE FUTURE NEEDS OF COLORADO'S
25 DISABILITY COMMUNITY. IN ORDER TO SUCCESSFULLY CARRY OUT THE
26 CDOO'S PURPOSE, IT IS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT LIVED
27 EXPERIENCE AS AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY BE CONSIDERED WHEN

1 HIRING DECISIONS ARE MADE FOR THE CDOO STAFF. THE CDOO SHALL
2 SERVE AS A RESOURCE FOR STATE AGENCIES, PRIVATE AND NONPROFIT
3 ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE FULL SPECTRUM OF
4 DISABILITY ISSUES IN COLORADO.

5 (2) TO ENSURE THE CDOO'S DISABILITY INTEGRATION GOALS ARE
6 MET, THE CDOO SHALL:

7 (a) CONVENE AND COORDINATE A DISABILITY TECHNICAL
8 ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE
9 DEPARTMENT, THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE
11 POLICY AND FINANCING, THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS, THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY
13 CHILDHOOD, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 HIGHER EDUCATION, THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, THE DEPARTMENT OF
16 PUBLIC SAFETY, THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL
18 TO:

19 (I) DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CDOO ON
20 CROSS-AGENCY EFFORTS, INCLUDING REPORTS FROM AGENCIES,
21 IMPACTING COLORADANS WITH DISABILITIES;

22 (II) UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES IMPACTING STATE AGENCIES'
23 ABILITY TO BEST SERVE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; AND

24 (III) OBTAIN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH
25 DISABILITIES ON HOW TO ADDRESS AGENCY ISSUES;

26 (b) COORDINATE WITH THE DISABILITY TECHNICAL ADVISORY
27 COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP, MAINTAIN, AND MAKE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON

1 THE CDOO WEBSITE A COLLECTION OF RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO
2 COLORADANS WITH DISABILITIES AND LINKS TO THE AGENCIES OR OTHER
3 BODIES THAT ADMINISTER THOSE RESOURCES;

4 (c) COLLABORATE WITH STATE AGENCIES AND THE STATEWIDE
5 EQUITY OFFICE CREATED IN SECTION 24-50-146 TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN
6 AN INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EQUITY PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
7 OF SHARED DASHBOARDS THAT MEASURE PERFORMANCE AGAINST SHARED
8 GOALS WITHIN THOSE PLANS THAT ACHIEVE THE SHARED GOALS AND
9 VISION OF THE CDOO;

10 (d) COLLABORATE WITH STAKEHOLDERS FROM THE DISABILITY
11 COMMUNITY, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM BOARDS AND
12 COMMISSIONS THAT ADVISE ON DISABILITY ISSUES; EXCEPT THAT THE
13 CDOO SHALL NOT COLLABORATE WITH ANY BOARD OR COMMISSION THAT
14 EXERCISES QUASI-JUDICIAL AUTHORITY IN RELATION TO DISABILITY
15 DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS, INCLUDING ANY STATE AGENCY THAT
16 CONDUCTS, AND ANY STATE AGENCY PERSONNEL WHO CONDUCT,
17 INVESTIGATIVE OR OTHER ACTIVITIES RELATED TO A BOARD'S OR
18 COMMISSION'S QUASI-JUDICIAL AUTHORITY IN RELATION TO DISABILITY
19 DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS. THE COLLABORATION MUST BE ON A
20 RECURRING BASIS TO ALLOW THE CDOO AND THE DISABILITY TECHNICAL
21 ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES COLORADANS WITH
22 DISABILITIES WANT PRIORITIZED AND THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW
23 TO ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES.

24 (e) COLLABORATE WITH THE STATE OFFICE ON AGING IN THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND ADVOCATES FOR THE AGING
26 POPULATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDRESSING AGING AND
27 DISABILITY INTERSECTING ISSUES TO ENSURE COORDINATION WITH THE

1 DISABILITY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE;

2 (f) CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN RELEVANT REPORTS

3 AND AUDITS, INCLUDING:

4 (I) THE TASK FORCE ON THE RIGHTS OF COLORADANS WITH

5 DISABILITIES, CREATED IN SECTION 24-34-1003;

6 (II) THE FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY LIVING ADVISORY

7 GROUP, CREATED IN THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY LIVING PURSUANT TO THE

8 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER D 2012-027;

9 (III) THE COLORADO COMMUNITY LIVING PLAN;

10 (IV) THE REPORT ISSUED BY THE EMPLOYMENT FIRST ADVISORY

11 PARTNERSHIP IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8-84-303 (7); AND

12 (V) THE STRATEGIC ACTION PLANNING GROUP ON AGING FINAL

13 REPORT; AND

14 (g) ACT AS LEAD COORDINATOR ON MULTIAGENCY REPORTS AND

15 PLANS FOCUSED ON COLORADANS WITH DISABILITIES BY COORDINATING

16 WITH ALL RELEVANT AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDER GROUPS.

17 (3) THE CDOO SHALL PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO THE GOVERNOR AND

18 STATE AGENCIES ON MATTERS RELATED TO COLORADANS WITH

19 DISABILITIES, TO:

20 (a) IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE STRATEGY TO FACILITATE FULL

21 SOCIETAL INTEGRATION BY INVESTING IN THE SUCCESS OF INDIVIDUALS

22 WITH DISABILITIES IN COLORADO;

23 (b) FOSTER ENHANCED INCLUSION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH

24 DISABILITIES;

25 (c) ENSURE EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES AND ACCESS TO SERVICES

26 FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES;

27 (d) ELIMINATE BARRIERS TO PROSPERITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH

1 DISABILITIES; AND

2 (e) COORDINATE WITH AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
3 GOVERNOR AND STATE AGENCIES ON WAYS TO IMPROVE POLICIES,
4 PROGRAMS, AND OPERATIONS TO SUPPORT FULL SOCIETAL INTEGRATION
5 OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES ACROSS THE STATE.

6 (4) AS FUNDING ALLOWS, THE CDOO SHALL PROMOTE FULL
7 SOCIETAL INTEGRATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, WITH THE
8 GOAL OF IMPLEMENTING DISABILITY SUPPORT THROUGH
9 COMMUNITY-BASED INITIATIVES AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
10 THROUGH WHICH INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES
11 CAN ACCESS FORMAL AND INFORMAL SUPPORT TO PROMOTE THEIR
12 HEALTH, ECONOMIC WELL-BEING, AND FULL SOCIETAL INTEGRATION. THE
13 PROMOTION MUST INCLUDE:

14 (a) IMPLEMENTING STUDIES, SYMPOSIA, AND RESEARCH AND THE
15 REVIEW OF FACTUAL REPORTS IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER STATE
16 AGENCIES TO GATHER INSIGHT AND TO FORMULATE AND PRESENT
17 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR AND STATE AGENCIES RELATED TO
18 ISSUES OF CONCERN AND IMPORTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
19 IN COLORADO;

20 (b) ANALYZING ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS IN ORDER
21 TO MAKE POLICY AND PROGRAMMATIC RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
22 GOVERNOR AND STATE AGENCIES;

23 (c) CREATING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES, SUCH AS:

24 (I) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, SKILLS RECOGNITION, AND
25 BARRIER REDUCTION;

26 (II) INITIATIVES THAT INCREASE ECONOMIC STABILITY; AND

27 (III) ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND HIGHER EDUCATION ATTAINMENT;

1 (d) CONNECTING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO LOCAL,
2 STATE, AND FEDERAL RESOURCES, AND TO OTHER RESOURCES AS THEY ARE
3 AVAILABLE OR RELEVANT, TO MEET THEIR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS; AND

4 (e) EDUCATING AND REACHING OUT TO PEOPLE IN THE STATE BY:

5 (I) PROMOTING AND CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS AND
6 CONTRIBUTIONS OF COLORADO'S DISABILITY COMMUNITY; AND

7 (II) ENGAGING WITH THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE IN ORDER TO
8 FOSTER INCLUSIVITY AND INTEGRATION BY BUILDING AWARENESS,
9 PROMOTING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING, AND INCREASING SOCIAL BRIDGING
10 OPPORTUNITIES.

11 (5) ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 2025, AND ON OR BEFORE
12 NOVEMBER 1 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO
13 DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE, OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE, SHALL
14 SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE A
15 REVIEW AND SUMMARY OF THE ACTIVITY OF, INFORMATION ON, AND DATA
16 ON THE PROGRAMS THAT THE CDOO ADMINISTERED DURING THE PRIOR
17 STATE FISCAL YEAR.

18 **8-88-103. Appropriation - gifts, grants, and donations.** THE
19 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE MONEY FROM THE FUND OR
20 FROM ANY OTHER AVAILABLE SOURCE TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR USE BY
21 THE CDOO FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THIS ARTICLE 88. THE CDOO
22 MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM
23 PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE 88.

24 PART 2

25 DISABILITY SUPPORT

26 **8-88-201. [Formerly 24-30-2201] Short title.** The short title of
27 this ~~part 22~~ PART 2 is the "Laura Hershey Disability Support Act".

1 **8-88-202. [Formerly 24-30-2203] Colorado disability funding**
2 **committee.** (1) (a) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2024, THE RIGHTS, POWERS,
3 DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS REGARDING the Colorado disability funding
4 committee ~~is hereby created within~~ VESTED IN the department of
5 personnel PRIOR TO SAID DATE ARE TRANSFERRED FROM THE DEPARTMENT
6 OF PERSONNEL TO THE COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE
7 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.

8 (b) (I) ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2024, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED,
9 WHENEVER ANY PROVISION OF LAW REFERS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 PERSONNEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS
11 TRANSFERRED TO THE CDOO, SUCH LAW MUST BE CONSTRUED AS
12 REFERRING TO THE CDOO.

13 (II) AS OF JULY 1, 2024, ALL RULES AND ORDERS OF THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADOPTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE POWERS,
15 DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS TRANSFERRED TO THE CDOO CONTINUE TO BE
16 EFFECTIVE UNTIL REVISED, AMENDED, REPEALED, OR NULLIFIED PURSUANT
17 TO LAW.

18 (III) AS OF JULY 1, 2024, WHENEVER THE DEPARTMENT OF
19 PERSONNEL IS REFERRED TO OR DESIGNATED BY ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER
20 DOCUMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS
21 TRANSFERRED TO THE CDOO, SUCH REFERENCE OR DESIGNATION IS
22 DEEMED TO APPLY TO THE CDOO. ALL CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO BY THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2024, IN CONNECTION WITH
24 THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS ARE HEREBY VALIDATED, WITH THE CDOO
25 SUCCEEDING TO ALL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER SUCH CONTRACTS.
26 AS OF JULY 1, 2024, ANY CASH FUNDS, CUSTODIAL FUNDS, TRUSTS,
27 GRANTS, AND APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS FROM PRIOR STATE FISCAL YEARS

1 OPEN TO SATISFY OBLIGATIONS INCURRED UNDER SUCH CONTRACTS ARE
2 TRANSFERRED AND APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR ALLOCATION
3 TO THE CDOO FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS.

4 (c) The committee consists of thirteen members appointed by the
5 governor, the majority of whom are ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
6 disabilities, ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with immediate family members who
7 are ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities, or ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS who
8 are caregivers to a family member who is ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with
9 ~~disabilities~~ A DISABILITY. In making the appointments, the governor shall
10 ensure that the committee has members with experience in or knowledge
11 of:

- 12 (I) Business and business management;
- 13 (II) Nonprofit entities and managing nonprofit entities;
- 14 (III) Advocacy for ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities;
- 15 (IV) The practice of medicine, WITH EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH
16 INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; and
- 17 (V) The practice of law, with experience working with ~~persons~~
18 INDIVIDUALS with disabilities.

19 (2) Members of the committee serve three-year terms; except that
20 the terms shall be staggered so that no more than five members' terms
21 expire in the same year. The governor shall not appoint a member for
22 more than two consecutive terms.

23 (3) An act of the committee is void unless a majority of the
24 appointed members has voted in favor of the act.

25 (4) The committee shall implement this ~~part 22~~ PART 2 using the
26 fund.

27 (5) The committee is authorized to seek and accept GIFTS, grants,

1 or donations from private or public sources for the purposes of this ~~part~~
2 ~~22~~ PART 2; except that the committee shall not accept a gift, grant, or
3 donation that is subject to conditions that are inconsistent with this ~~part~~
4 ~~22~~ PART 2 or part 13 of article 75 of ~~this title~~ TITLE 24 regarding the status
5 of GIFTS, grants, and donations made to state agencies.

6 (6) The committee has the following duties and powers:

7 (a) To sue and be sued and otherwise assert or defend the
8 committee's legal interests;

9 (b) To prepare and sign contracts;

10 (c) To have and exercise all rights and powers necessary or
11 incidental to, or implied from, the specific powers granted in this ~~part 22~~
12 PART 2;

13 (d) To fix the time and place at which meetings may be held;

14 (e) To adopt and use a seal and to alter the same at its pleasure;

15 ~~(f) To authorize an auctioneer or other seller of a registration~~
16 ~~number to retain a reasonable commission as determined by the~~
17 ~~committee;~~

18 ~~(g)~~ (f) To make business decisions to implement this ~~part 22~~ PART
19 2;

20 ~~(h)~~ (g) To create incentives for holders to turn in currently issued
21 registration numbers if any actual costs are reimbursed to the state from
22 the sale;

23 ~~(i)~~ (h) To authorize and sell license plates made of alternative
24 materials if approved by the department of revenue; and

25 ~~(j)~~ (i) To sell the right to use additional license plate options, such
26 as historically issued backgrounds, for a fee if the option is approved by
27 the department of revenue and the Colorado state patrol.

1 (7) (a) The committee may ~~obtain~~ CONTRACT FOR the services of
2 professional advisors ~~or contract with employees to handle the~~ conduct
3 ~~of all~~ meetings OR carry out its administrative functions for meetings and
4 committee business. ~~or handle the committee's auctions.~~

5 (b) The department of ~~personnel~~ may hire employees to handle the
6 administrative aspects of supporting the committee. ~~resulting from the~~
7 ~~committee being within the department of personnel.~~

8 (8) The attorney general is the legal counsel for the committee.

9 (9) Committee members do not receive compensation for
10 performing official duties of the committee but may receive a per diem
11 or reimbursement for travel and other reasonable and necessary expenses
12 for performing official duties of the committee. The per diem or
13 reimbursement is paid from the fund.

14 (10) The department of public safety may prohibit any action of
15 the committee or its agents that concerns the sale of license plates or
16 registration numbers if the decision would affect the policy of the state of
17 Colorado as it relates to the use or display of license plates or registration
18 numbers.

19 **8-88-203. [Formerly 24-30-2204] Program to assist individuals**
20 **to obtain disability benefits.** (1) ~~When adequate funding is available,~~
21 The committee shall invite nonprofit entities to submit ~~a proposal for a~~
22 ~~program~~ PROPOSALS FOR PROGRAMS to aid ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
23 disabilities in accessing disability benefits. To qualify ~~the~~ FOR
24 CONSIDERATION UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, A nonprofit
25 organization must be based in Colorado and:

26 (a) BE governed by a board: ~~that:~~

27 ~~(a)~~ (I) THAT is composed of persons with a demonstrated

1 commitment to improving the lives of recipients with disabilities;

2 ~~(b)~~ (II) ~~Contains~~ THAT INCLUDES members who understand a
3 range of disabilities; and

4 ~~(c)~~ (III) ~~Contains~~ A majority of THE members ~~who~~ OF WHICH are
5 ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities, ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
6 immediate family members who are ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
7 disabilities, or ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS who are caregivers to a family
8 member who is ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with ~~disabilities~~ A DISABILITY;
9 or

10 ~~(f) and (H)~~ ~~(Deleted by amendment, L. 2022.)~~

11 ~~(HH)~~ (b) ~~Has~~ HAVE a contract with an organization that meets the
12 ~~above~~ criteria IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION to assume the
13 disability perspective APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE.

14 (2) (a) (I) The committee shall review the proposed programs and
15 shall award a contract ~~to one or more entities that best meet the~~
16 ~~requirements of this section~~ in accordance with the "Procurement Code",
17 articles 101 to 112 of ~~this~~ title 24, TO ONE OR MORE ENTITIES THAT BEST
18 MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

19 (II) The term of each contract is up to three years. The committee
20 shall include evaluation criteria in the contract with metrics that must be
21 met at least once a year to continue funding.

22 ~~(HH)~~ ~~(Deleted by amendment, L. 2022.)~~

23 (b) The committee shall not award a contract unless the proposal
24 includes:

25 (I) A system for evaluating whether ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with
26 a disability is reasonably able to navigate the application process to obtain
27 disability benefits, health care, and employment;

1 (II) A system for prioritizing the need of applicants based upon
2 the evaluations;

3 (III) A plan for assisting ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities in
4 navigating the processes of obtaining and retaining disability benefits,
5 health care, and employment;

6 (IV) A plan for ~~establishment of~~ ESTABLISHING working
7 relationships with state agencies, county departments of human or social
8 services, health-care providers, the United States social security
9 administration, and the business community;

10 (V) A policy of preferential hiring of ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
11 disabilities;

12 (VI) Reasonable standards for accounting control of expenditures;
13 and

14 (VII) Metrics to evaluate the program's quality and
15 cost-effectiveness.

16 ~~(VIII) Repealed.~~

17 (c) The committee shall not discriminate against a contracting
18 entity ~~for~~ BASED ON ITS advocacy concerning ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
19 disabilities.

20 (d) To the greatest extent possible, the committee shall ensure,
21 through one or more contracts pursuant to this section, that ~~persons~~
22 INDIVIDUALS with disabilities are served statewide.

23 (3) ~~The~~ AN entity awarded a contract under this section shall make
24 quarterly reports of expenditures to the committee. The committee shall
25 include in the contract a method and format for making the reports.

26 **8-88-204. [Formerly 24-30-2204.5] Program to investigate,**
27 **fund, and pilot projects or programs to benefit individuals with**

1 **disabilities.** (1) WHEN ADEQUATE FUNDING IS AVAILABLE, the committee
2 shall accept and review proposals to fund projects or programs, or both,
3 that study or pilot new and innovative ideas that will lead to an improved
4 quality of life or increased independence for ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with
5 disabilities. Proposals may be accepted throughout the year, and grants ~~or~~
6 ~~loans~~ may be made by the committee at its regular meetings. The fund
7 ~~created in section 24-30-2205.5 shall be~~ IS the sole source ~~to fund~~ OF
8 MONEY FOR any grants ~~or loans~~ made pursuant to this section.

9 (2) To be eligible for funding pursuant to this section, a project or
10 program must:

11 (a) Demonstrate a capability to be self-sustaining or otherwise be
12 able to develop long-term independent funding; AND

13 (b) (I) FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO NOT MEET THE GOVERNANCE
14 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2)(b)(II) OF THIS SECTION, have a
15 governing body, A board, or ownership that is composed of ~~persons~~
16 INDIVIDUALS with a demonstrated commitment to improving the lives of
17 ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities, the majority of whom are ~~persons~~
18 INDIVIDUALS with disabilities, ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with immediate
19 family members who are ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS with disabilities, or
20 ~~persons~~ INDIVIDUALS who are caregivers to a family member who is a
21 ~~person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with ~~disabilities~~; and A DISABILITY;

22 (II) HAVE A GRANT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE APPROVED BY THE
23 COMMITTEE, THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OVERSIGHT OF THE GRANT AND
24 IS COMPRISED OF INDIVIDUALS WITH A DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO
25 IMPROVING THE LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, THE MAJORITY
26 OF WHOM ARE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, INDIVIDUALS WITH
27 IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES,

1 OR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CAREGIVERS TO A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS AN
2 INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY; OR

3 (c) (III) In the case of a sole proprietorship, have an owner ~~who~~
4 ~~is a person with a demonstrated commitment to improving the lives of~~
5 ~~persons with disabilities~~, who:

6 (A) Is ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with a disability, ~~a person~~ AN
7 INDIVIDUAL with an immediate family member who is ~~a person~~ AN
8 INDIVIDUAL with a disability, or ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL who is a
9 caregiver to a family member who is ~~a person~~ AN INDIVIDUAL with a
10 disability; AND

11 (B) HAS DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THE LIVES
12 OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

13 **8-88-205. [Formerly 24-30-2205.5] Disability support fund.**

14 (1) There is ~~hereby~~ created in the state treasury the disability support
15 fund, which ~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of money transferred to the fund in
16 accordance with section 25.5-5-308 (8); ~~C.R.S.~~, MONEY from the sale of
17 registration numbers under this ~~part 22~~, PART 2; any money that may be
18 appropriated OR TRANSFERRED to the fund by the general assembly; and
19 any gifts, grants, or donations received by the department of ~~personnel~~
20 for the purpose of implementing this ~~part 22~~ PART 2.

21 (2) The money in the fund is subject to annual appropriation by
22 the general assembly for the direct and indirect costs associated with the
23 implementation of this ~~part 22~~ PART 2. Any money in the fund not
24 expended for the purpose of this section may be invested by the state
25 treasurer as provided by law. All interest and income derived from the
26 investment and deposit of money in the fund must be credited to the fund.
27 Any unexpended and unencumbered money remaining in the fund at the

1 end of a fiscal year must remain in the fund for use as provided in this
2 ~~part 22~~ PART 2 and MUST not be credited or transferred to the general fund
3 or another fund. If this section is repealed, prior to its repeal, all
4 unexpended and unencumbered money remaining in the fund must be
5 transferred to the general fund.

6 (3) ~~Any money used to implement additional license plate options~~
7 ~~shall not be transferred to the department of revenue. The committee or~~
8 ~~contract entity shall transfer the money directly to the division of~~
9 ~~correctional industries.~~

10 (4) ~~The committee shall evaluate the cost of implementing section~~
11 ~~24-30-2204 at least once annually and, if it is financially feasible to~~
12 ~~implement that section, shall implement section 24-30-2204 before~~
13 ~~implementing section 24-30-2204.5.~~

14 **8-88-206. Sale of registration numbers for license plates -**
15 **license to buy and sell - market for - royalty payment -**
16 **administration - third-party contracting entity. (1) (a) [Formerly**
17 **24-30-2206 (1)]** The state or a person may sell, and the state or a person
18 may purchase, the exclusive right to use a registration number selected by
19 the committee under ~~section 24-30-2208~~ SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION
20 for the purpose of registering a vehicle under article 3 of title 42. ~~C.R.S.~~

21 (b) **[Formerly 24-30-2206 (2)]** The right to use a registration
22 number is a license, the use of which is subject to compliance with this
23 ~~part 22~~ PART 2. The duration of the license is determined by the
24 committee.

25 (2) (a) **[Formerly 24-30-2208 (1)]** The committee shall raise
26 money by selling to a buyer the right to use valuable letter and number
27 combinations for a registration number. ~~The committee shall auction~~

1 registration numbers that are likely to be worth substantially more than
2 the average value of a registration number.

3 (b) (I) [Formerly 24-30-2208 (2)(a)] The committee shall study
4 the market and determine which registration numbers are the most
5 valuable, including both the types of plates currently issued and any type
6 of plate that has been historically issued; TO DETERMINE WHICH
7 REGISTRATION NUMBERS ARE THE MOST VALUABLE. Based on the study,
8 the committee shall select the most valuable registration numbers and
9 request the department of revenue to verify whether plates with the
10 registration numbers are currently issued. The committee and the
11 department of revenue shall enter into an agreement establishing a
12 process for requesting registration numbers, ~~that specifies~~ INCLUDING
13 SPECIFYING the frequency of these requests.

14 (II) [Formerly 24-30-2208 (2)(b)] Upon receiving the committee's
15 request, the department of revenue shall verify whether the plates are
16 currently issued. For purposes of this subsection (2)(b), ~~and subsection~~
17 ~~(2)(c) of this section~~, a plate that expires due to the operation of section
18 42-3-115 (5)(a) is considered currently issued until THE EXPIRATION OF
19 the right of the owner of the motor vehicle to which the expired plate was
20 affixed to apply to use the registration number of the expired plate when
21 registering another motor vehicle. ~~expires~~. If the plate is not currently
22 issued, the department OF REVENUE shall reserve the registration number
23 until the committee notifies the department OF REVENUE to release the
24 registration number.

25 (III) THE COMMITTEE SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR
26 DETERMINING VALUE OF ALL CONFIGURATIONS OF REGISTRATION
27 NUMBERS RESERVED BY THE COMMITTEE. THE PRICING AND MANNER OF

1 SALE MUST FOLLOW THE ESTABLISHED PROCESS.

2 (IV) [Formerly 24-30-2208 (2)(c)] If a registration number is not
3 currently issued, the committee may sell the right to use the registration
4 number in a manner calculated to bring the highest price; except that the
5 department of revenue may deny the sale or use of a registration number
6 that is offensive or inappropriate.

7 (3) (a) [Formerly 24-30-2209 (1)] The committee shall raise
8 ~~money~~ REVENUE by creating a market, which may include an online site,
9 for THE RESALE OF LICENSE PLATE CONFIGURATIONS OF registration
10 numbers using methods that are commercially reasonable, account for
11 expenditures, and ensure the collection of the state's approval and transfer
12 royalty.

13 (b) [Formerly 24-30-2209 (2)] The royalty for the state's approval
14 and transfer of the right to use a registration number is twenty-five
15 percent of the sale price of the transfer. At the time of sale, the purchaser
16 shall pay the royalty to the committee. This payment is in addition to and
17 not in lieu of the normal registration fees, sales or use taxes, or specific
18 ownership tax.

19 (c) [Formerly 24-30-2209 (3)] A person shall not sell a
20 registration number, and the department of revenue shall not assign a
21 registration number, as a result of the right to use the number being sold
22 to a vehicle unless the registration number was sold using the market
23 created by the committee.

24 (4) (a) [Formerly 24-30-2210 (1)] The committee shall notify the
25 department of revenue when the right to use a registration number has
26 been sold and the committee has collected the state's sale proceeds or
27 approval and transfer royalty. Upon receiving the notice, the department

1 of revenue shall create a record in Colorado DRIVES, created in section
2 42-1-211, containing the name of the buyer; the vehicle identification
3 number, if applicable; and the corresponding registration number.

4 (b) **[Formerly 24-30-2210 (2)]** If the registration number consists
5 of a combination of letters and numbers that is not within the normal
6 format of A license plate currently produced for the department of
7 revenue, the department of revenue shall issue the plates as personalized
8 plates under section 42-3-211; ~~C.R.S.~~; except that, notwithstanding
9 section 42-3-211, ~~C.R.S.~~, the committee may sell, and the buyer or any
10 subsequent buyer may use:

11 (I) A registration number or letter of one position; or

12 (II) Any symbol on the standard American keyboard or approved
13 by the committee.

14 (c) **[Formerly 24-30-2210 (3)]** The committee shall transfer the
15 money collected under this ~~part 22~~ PART 2 to the state treasurer, who shall
16 credit the money to the fund. ~~created in section 24-30-2205.5.~~

17 (d) **[Formerly 24-30-2210 (4)]** The committee may contract with
18 one or more public or private entities to implement this ~~part 22~~ PART 2.

19 (e) **[Formerly 24-30-2210 (5)]** Any ~~money~~ REVENUE received by
20 the committee from the sale of registration numbers shall be deposited in
21 the fund.

22 (5) **[Formerly 24-30-2211 (3)]** The committee shall contract with
23 an entity to sell registration numbers and additional options by delegating
24 the committee's authority concerning these sales in accordance with
25 ~~sections 24-30-2206 to 24-30-2210~~ THIS SECTION. The committee shall
26 retain oversight of the contract entity.

27 **8-88-207. [Formerly 24-30-2212] Sunset review - repeal of part.**

1 This ~~part 22~~ PART 2 is repealed, effective September 1, 2026. Before the
2 repeal, this ~~part 22~~ PART 2 is scheduled for review in accordance with
3 section 24-34-104.

4 **SECTION 3. Repeal of relocated and nonrelocated provisions**
5 **in this act.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** part 22 of article 30 of
6 title 24; except that 24-30-2211 (1) and (2) are not relocated.

7 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, **amend**
8 (27)(a)(XVIII) as follows:

9 **24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies**
10 **and functions for repeal, continuation, or reestablishment - legislative**
11 **declaration - repeal.** (27) (a) The following agencies, functions, or both,
12 are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2026:

13 (XVIII) The assistance program for disability benefits under ~~part~~
14 ~~22 of article 30 of this title 24~~ ARTICLE 88 OF TITLE 8.

15 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-1-121, **add** (3)(n)
16 as follows:

17 **24-1-121. Department of labor and employment - creation.**
18 (3) The department of labor and employment consists of the following
19 divisions and programs:

20 (n) THE COLORADO DISABILITY OPPORTUNITY OFFICE, OR
21 "CDOO", CREATED IN SECTION 8-88-102, THE HEAD OF WHICH IS THE
22 DIRECTOR OF THE CDOO. THE CDOO IS A **TYPE 1** ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN
23 SECTION 24-1-105, AND EXERCISES ITS POWERS AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES
24 AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.

25 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-75-402, **amend**
26 (5)(yy) as follows:

27 **24-75-402. Cash funds - limit on uncommitted reserves -**

1 **reduction in the amount of fees - exclusions - definitions.**

2 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the
3 following cash funds are excluded from the limitations specified in this
4 section:

5 (yy) The disability support fund created in section ~~24-30-2205.5~~
6 ~~(+)~~ 8-8-205 (1);

7 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-1-801, **amend**
8 (5)(c)(II)(A) as follows:

9 **25-1-801. Patient records in custody of health-care facility -**
10 **definitions.** (5) As used in this part 8, unless the context otherwise
11 requires:

12 (c) (II) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part 8:

13 (A) If a patient record is requested by a third-party entity that is
14 performing duties under the "Laura Hershey Disability Support Act", ~~part~~
15 ~~22 of article 30 of title 24, C.R.S.~~ PART 2 OF ARTICLE 88 OF TITLE 8, the
16 third party may obtain one free copy of the record for the application
17 process or for an appeal or reapplication when required by the disability
18 benefit administrator;

19 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-308, **amend**
20 (8)(b.5) as follows:

21 **25.5-5-308. Breast and cervical cancer prevention and**
22 **treatment program - creation - legislative declaration - definitions -**
23 **funds - repeal.** (8) (b.5) Until section ~~24-30-2204.5~~ 8-88-205 is
24 repealed, the state treasurer shall transfer any interest or income earned
25 on ~~moneys~~ MONEY in the fund to the disability support fund created in
26 section ~~24-30-2205.5~~ 8-88-205.

27 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 26-2-119.7.

1 **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-535, **amend**
2 (1) as follows:

3 **39-22-535. Credit for purchase of uniquely valuable motor**
4 **vehicle registration numbers.** (1) For tax years commencing on or after
5 January 1, 2013, a person who buys the right to use a registration number
6 under section ~~24-30-2206~~ 8-88-206 is allowed a credit against the income
7 taxes imposed by this article 22 for twenty percent of the purchase price
8 of the right to use the registration number that is paid to the Colorado
9 disability funding committee created in section ~~24-30-2203~~ 8-88-202.

10 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-1-227, **amend**
11 (1) introductory portion as follows:

12 **42-1-227. Disabled parking education program.** (1) Subject to
13 the availability of money appropriated to the ~~department of personnel~~
14 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT, pursuant to section 42-1-226,
15 the Colorado disability funding committee, created in section ~~24-30-2203~~
16 8-88-202:

17 **SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-115, **amend**
18 (5)(b)(II) as follows:

19 **42-3-115. Registration upon transfer - rules - definitions.**
20 (5) (b) Subsection (5)(a) of this section does not apply to the transfer or
21 assignment of an owner's title or interest in Class B, Class C, and Class
22 D personal property that has number plates:

23 (II) That have a valuable registration number that has been
24 reserved for use under the "Laura Hershey Disability Support Act", ~~part~~
25 ~~22 of article 30 of title 24~~ PART 2 OF ARTICLE 88 OF TITLE 8.

26 **SECTION 13.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-206.5, **amend**
27 (1); and **add** (7) as follows:

1 **42-3-206.5. Issuance of plates in a retired style authorized -**

2 **additional fee - rules.** (1) (a) Beginning January 1, 2023, or when the
3 department is able to issue license plates pursuant to section ~~24-30-2203~~
4 ~~(6)(j)~~ 8-88-202 (6)(i), whichever is earlier, the department shall issue
5 license plates in previously retired styles for motorcycles, passenger cars,
6 trucks, or noncommercial or recreational motor vehicles that do not
7 exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight that had:

8 (a) (I) White letters and numbers on a background of green
9 mountains and a white sky;

10 (II) White letters and numbers on a background of black with a
11 white border;

12 (III) White letters and numbers on a background of blue with a
13 white border; or

14 (IV) White letters and numbers on a background of red with a
15 white border.

16 (b) The amount of the taxes and fees for license plates in the
17 previously retired style is the same as the amount of the taxes and fees
18 specified for regular motor vehicle plates plus an annual fee of
19 twenty-five dollars, which shall be credited to the disability support fund
20 created in section ~~24-30-2205.5~~ 8-88-205.

21 (7) IF AN APPLICANT FOR A RETIRED LICENSE PLATE THAT WAS
22 ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION DEMONSTRATES A PHYSICAL
23 IMPAIRMENT THAT AFFECTS THE APPLICANT'S MOBILITY UNDER THE
24 STANDARDS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 42-3-204 (1)(a), THE DEPARTMENT
25 SHALL ISSUE THE PREVIOUSLY RETIRED LICENSE PLATE TO THE APPLICANT
26 WITH AN IDENTIFYING FIGURE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 42-3-204 (1)(e) TO
27 INDICATE THAT THE VEHICLE IS AUTHORIZED TO TRANSPORT AN

1 INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO USE RESERVED PARKING PURSUANT TO
2 SECTION 42-4-1208.

3 **SECTION 14.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-211, **amend**
4 (3)(a) as follows:

5 **42-3-211. Issuance of personalized plates authorized.**

6 (3) (a) Personalized license plates must be the same color and design as
7 regular motor vehicle license plates, must consist of any combination of
8 numbers or letters not exceeding seven positions and not less than two
9 positions except as otherwise provided in section ~~24-30-2210, C.R.S.~~
10 8-88-206 (4), and must not conflict with existing passenger, commercial,
11 trailer, motorcycle, or other special license plates series; except that
12 personalized license plates bearing the words "street rod" shall be of a
13 design determined by the executive director of the department, which
14 design shall be different from those used by the state for regular motor
15 vehicle license plates.

16 **SECTION 15. Effective date.** This act takes effect July 1, 2024.

17 **SECTION 16. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
18 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
19 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
20 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
21 institutions.