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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE.**

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://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

A restorative justice satisfaction survey is used as an evaluation tool for the restorative justice pilot project. The bill clarifies that this preconference evaluation is only given to the offender.

The bill adds the following members to the restorative justice coordinating council:

- The state public defender or his or her designee;
- A judge appointed by the chief justice of the Colorado supreme court; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

- A law enforcement representative appointed by the state court administrator.

The bill authorizes the restorative justice coordinating council to accept moneys for providing trainings, gifts, grants, and donations and transfers those moneys to the restorative justice surcharge fund.

Currently there is a restorative justice pilot project for juveniles who commit certain crimes. The bill allows the pilot project to accept juveniles who committed petty offenses or municipal offenses that could be charged as state offenses.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-25-101, **amend**

3 (3) (a) as follows:

4 **18-25-101. Restorative justice surcharge - definitions.**

5 (3) (a) There is created in the state treasury the restorative justice
6 surcharge fund that consists of moneys received by the state treasurer
7 pursuant to this section AND SECTION 19-2-213 (4.5), C.R.S. The moneys
8 in the fund are subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly to
9 the judicial department for distribution to judicial districts that offer
10 restorative justice programs and to the restorative justice coordinating
11 council for administrative expenses.

12 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-2-213, **amend** (1)

13 (b) and (2) (l); and **add** (2) (n), (2) (o), (2) (p), and (4.5) as follows:

14 **19-2-213. Restorative justice coordinating council -
15 establishment - membership - repeal.** (1) (b) In order to assess the

16 efficacy of restorative justice practices in providing satisfaction to
17 participants, the council shall develop a uniform restorative justice
18 satisfaction evaluation by September 1, 2013. The evaluation must be
19 based on research principles. The evaluation ~~shall~~ **MUST** include a
20 preconference questionnaire FOR THE OFFENDER to establish a baseline

1 and a postconference questionnaire that is suitable to administer to
2 restorative justice participants, including community members,
3 participating victims, and offenders.

4 (2) The restorative justice coordinating council ~~shall include~~
5 INCLUDES, at a minimum, the following:

6 (l) Three restorative justice practitioners appointed by the state
7 court administrator; ~~and~~

8 (n) THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;

9 (o) A JUDGE APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE COLORADO
10 SUPREME COURT; AND

11 (p) A REPRESENTATIVE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT APPOINTED BY THE
12 STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR BASED UPON A RECOMMENDATION FROM
13 THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL.

14 (4.5) THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL MAY
15 ACCEPT MONEYS FROM TRAININGS AND CONFERENCES AND GIFTS, GRANTS,
16 OR DONATIONS FROM ANY PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCE FOR THE PURPOSE
17 OF SUPPORTING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PRACTICES. ALL PRIVATE AND
18 PUBLIC MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COORDINATING
19 COUNCIL FROM GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS OR ANY OTHER SOURCE
20 MUST BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT
21 THE SAME TO THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SURCHARGE FUND CREATED
22 PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-25-101, C.R.S., IN ADDITION TO ANY MONEYS
23 THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND DIRECTLY BY THE GENERAL
24 ASSEMBLY.

25 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-2-510.5, **amend**
26 (3) (b) (III) (A) and (3) (b) (III) (B); and **add** (3) (b) (III) (C) as follows:

27 **19-2-510.5. Restorative justice pilot project - legislative**

1 **declaration - definitions - repeal.** (3) (b) For purposes of this subsection
2 (3), "juvenile" means a person who:

3 (III) Could be charged in a petition only with the following
4 crimes:

5 (A) A misdemeanor, excluding those in title 42, C.R.S., if charged
6 against an adult; or

7 (B) A class 3, 4, 5, or 6 felony, if charged against an adult and the
8 district attorney selects the juvenile for participation in the program; OR

9 (C) A PETTY OFFENSE IF CHARGED AGAINST AN ADULT OR A
10 MUNICIPAL OFFENSE THAT COULD OTHERWISE BE CHARGED AS A CRIME IN
11 TITLE 18, C.R.S., IF COMMITTED BY AN ADULT.

12 **SECTION 4. 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 (August
15 5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2015); except that, if a
16 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
17 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
18 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
19 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
20 November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
21 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.