

## CHAPTER 222

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**HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING**

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## SENATE BILL 26-191

BY SENATOR(S) Amabile and Frizell, Cutter, Exum, Jodeh, Kipp, Wallace, Coleman;  
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) McCormick, Clifford, Duran, Goldstein, Gonzalez R., Nguyen, Phillips, Ricks, Rutinel, McCluskie.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING THE USE OF GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCED REIMBURSEMENT FOR NURSING FACILITIES THAT SERVE RESIDENTS WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS.**

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25.5-6-211 as follows:

**25.5-6-211. Gifts, grants, and donations for enhanced reimbursement model for nursing facilities.**

(1) IF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECEIVES GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDING OF AN ENHANCED REIMBURSEMENT MODEL FOR NURSING FACILITIES THAT SERVE RESIDENTS WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

(2) UPON REQUEST OF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE ON THE USE OF ANY GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(3) ANY GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT COMMIT THE STATE TO AN EXPENDITURE OF GENERAL FUND MONEY. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL NOT REDUCE AN APPROPRIATION MADE TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR THE SAME PURPOSE BECAUSE OF GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final

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adjournment of the general assembly (August 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: May 29, 2026