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SENATE BILL 26-191

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

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>.)*

If the executive director of the department of health care policy and financing (state department) receives gifts, grants, and donations for

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HOUSE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
May 11, 2026

SENATE  
Amended 3rd Reading  
May 7, 2026

SENATE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
May 6, 2026

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. Receiving gifts, grants, and donations for this purpose does not commit the state to an expenditure of general fund money, and the general assembly shall not reduce any appropriation made to the state department for the same purpose.

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

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

4           **25.5-6-211. Gifts, grants, and donations for enhanced**  
5 **reimbursement model for nursing facilities.**

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

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

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

22           **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act

1 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
2 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
3 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a  
4 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
5 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
6 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
7 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
8 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
9 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.