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HOUSE BILL 25-1316

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Bradley and Carter, English, Espenosa, Ricks, McCluskie;  
also SENATOR(S) Exum and Rich, Michaelson Jenet.

CONCERNING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO DEFINITIONS THAT APPLY TO THE  
LAWS REGULATING ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF PRESCRIPTION  
DRUGS.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-280-402, **repeal** (2);  
and **add** (5) as follows:

**12-280-402. Definitions.** As used in this part 4, unless the context  
otherwise requires:

(2) ~~"Drug abuse" or "abuse" means utilization of a controlled  
substance for nonmedical purposes or in a manner that does not meet  
generally accepted standards of medical practice.~~

(5) "SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER" MEANS A CHRONIC RELAPSING  
BRAIN DISEASE, CHARACTERIZED BY RECURRENT USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS,

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes  
through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of  
the act.*

OR BOTH, CAUSING CLINICALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPAIRMENT, INCLUDING HEALTH PROBLEMS, DISABILITY, AND FAILURE TO MEET MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AT WORK, SCHOOL, OR HOME.

**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 adjournment of the general assembly; 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.

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THE SENATE

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APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date and Time)

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Jared S. Polis  
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