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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF CIVIL DEFENSE WORKERS.

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.)

During disaster emergencies, the state uses incident management teams to provide on-scene incident management support during incidents or events that exceed a local jurisdiction's capability or capacity. Some of these incident management teams are staffed by civil defense workers. Under current law, certain civil defense workers are not eligible to be compensated for their response. The bill removes this limitation and allows those civil defense workers to be compensated for their response.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-802, amend 3 (3) as follows: 4 24-33.5-802. Definitions. As used in this part 8, unless the 5 context otherwise requires: 6 (3) "Civil defense worker" means any natural person who is 7 registered with the office of emergency management or with a local 8 organization for civil defense for the purpose of engaging in civil defense 9 service pursuant to the provisions of this part 8 without pay or other 10 consideration or is a physician, health-care provider, public health 11 worker, or emergency medical service provider who is ordered by the 12 governor or a member of the disaster emergency forces of this state to 13 provide specific medical or public health services during and related to 14 an emergency epidemic and who complies with such an order without pay 15 or other consideration. 16 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, 17 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

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