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HOUSE BILL 25-1316

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Bradley and Carter,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Exum and Rich,

House Committees
Health & Human Services

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

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/>.)

Statutory Revision Committee. The bill repeals a definition of drug abuse from, and adds a definition of substance use disorder to, the state laws regulating electronic monitoring of prescription drugs.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

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

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

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

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

9 (5) "SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER" MEANS A CHRONIC RELAPSING
10 BRAIN DISEASE, CHARACTERIZED BY RECURRENT USE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS,
11 OR BOTH, CAUSING CLINICALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPAIRMENT, INCLUDING
12 HEALTH PROBLEMS, DISABILITY, AND FAILURE TO MEET MAJOR
13 RESPONSIBILITIES AT WORK, SCHOOL, OR HOME.

14 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
15 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
16 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
17 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
18 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
19 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
20 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
21 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
22 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.