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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 13-1023

101 **CONCERNING GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR REDESIGNING COLORADO'S**
102 **LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS SYSTEM.**

1 WHEREAS, There is a significant demand across Colorado for
2 streamlined, efficient, and person-centered services for children and
3 adults who require long-term services and supports due to physical,
4 mental, behavioral, intellectual, or developmental conditions related to
5 birth, illness, injury, disability, or age; and

6 WHEREAS, The Colorado Community Living Advisory Group,
7 appointed through Executive Order 2012-027, is charged with
8 considering and recommending improvements to the Colorado long-term
9 services and supports system to ensure responsiveness, flexibility,
10 accountability, and increased options for self-direction; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 WHEREAS, Subcommittees of the long-term care advisory
2 committee determined that certain basic values must underlie system
3 redesign and communicated that position to the Colorado Community
4 Living Advisory Group; and

5 WHEREAS, The five principles of self-determination are a basic
6 value that includes the freedom for a person to make his or her own
7 choices, the authority to control the money spent and supports received,
8 the support to develop dreams, the responsibility to give back to the
9 community and to be accountable, and the confirmation affirming a
10 person's central role in leadership and change; and

11 WHEREAS, The Colorado Community First Choice Council in the
12 department of health care policy and financing supports and endorses the
13 same values; and

14 WHEREAS, Recognizing these basic values would result in a
15 transformed system of long-term services and supports for all eligible
16 children and adults; and

17 WHEREAS, These values are based on:

18 ! Person-centered principles as the foundation for all
19 processes to ensure that services are provided in a manner
20 that supports individual life goals, interests, preferences,
21 strengths, and abilities with the tools necessary to achieve
22 identified outcomes;

23 ! Assurances that the delivery of long-term services and
24 supports will allow an individual, independently or in
25 conjunction with an authorized representative or his or her
26 legal guardian, the option to manage and control all aspects
27 of his or her services and supports at the level he or she
28 desires, with the mechanisms to do so;

29 ! The principle that services and supports should be provided
30 in a family-friendly manner for individuals who choose to
31 live in a family-friendly setting;

32 ! The principles of integrated home- and community-based
33 service delivery, appropriate use of long-term services and

1 supports, and the importance of providing a continuum of
2 care; and

3 ! The principle of fiscal and programmatic sustainability; and

4 WHEREAS, Departments of state government that are charged
5 with aspects of the long-term services and supports system, including the
6 departments of health care policy and financing, human services, public
7 health and environment, and education, should be diligent in the
8 application of these values and principles in all efforts leading toward
9 system redesign; and

10 WHEREAS, A redesign of the long-term services and supports
11 system requires future executive and legislative action; now, therefore,

12 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth*
13 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

14 That it is in the best interests of the state of Colorado and the
15 General Assembly that a redesign of the long-term services and supports
16 system be based on the person-centered and self-direction values and
17 principles set forth in this resolution.

18 *Be It Further Resolved,* That a copy of this Joint Resolution shall
19 be sent to Governor John Hickenlooper and the departments of health
20 care policy and financing, human services, public health and
21 environment, and education.