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This letter reflects the authorization for the committee as approved by Legislative Council at its meeting on April 29, 2016.

Requested by: Representative Primavera
With support of: Representatives Danielson, Esgar, Foote, Ginal, Landgraf, Lontine, McCann, Mitsch Bush, Ryden, Salazar, Singer, and Tyler.

Re: Request for interim study committee to study the communication between the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and Medicaid clients.

Date: 04/29/2016

Information Required Pursuant to Section 2-3-303.3, C.R.S.

I hereby request that an interim study committee be formed during the interim between the 2016 and 2017 legislative sessions to study the communication between the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and Medicaid clients. The interim study committee would be named the "Interim Committee to Study Communication Between the Department of Health Care Policy and Medicaid Clients."

The policy issues to be studied are:

- the current form and content of letters that are sent to Medicaid clients by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (a sample of such a letter is included as Attachment A);
- the frequency with which letters are sent to Medicaid clients by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing; and
- whether such letters can be simplified and the content made more clear so as to improve the information that is communicated to Medicaid clients.

The interim study committee would need to meet **4** times to study the above issues.

The interim study committee should consist of **6** members of the General Assembly selected as follows:

- **3** members of the Senate, with **2** appointed by the President of the Senate and **1** appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.
- **3** members of the House of Representatives, with **2** appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and **1** appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives will appoint the chair and the President of the Senate will appoint the vice-chair of the committee.

The appointments must be made by June 1, 2016.

Nonlegislative members will not be appointed to the interim committee, but are encouraged to provide information, testify, and work with the committee.

The interim study committee will need **5** bills to address the issues it studies.

Additional Information Related to the Interim Study Committee Request

Representatives of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Connect for Health Colorado, and Colorado Legal Services and various interested persons representing Medicaid clients may be called upon to provide assistance or information to the interim study committee.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.