

Health and Human Services Addemdum

| Bill: <u>HB24-1090</u> | |
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| Title: | Privacy Protections Criminal Justice Records |
| Sponsors (House and Senate) | Senate: R. Fields (D) T. Exum Sr. (D) House: N. Ricks (D) B. Titone (D) |
| Bill Summary | Clean up bill from SB23-075, which protected various criminal justice records that referenced a child witness to a crime. However, in implementing the bill Judicial Department has turned off necessary access to records, including county attorneys. |
| Staff Comments | |
| Position | Pending |
| Status | House Committee on Judiciary Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole (01/23/2024) |

| Bill: <u>SB24-004</u> | |
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| Title: | County Veterans Service Offices Administration |
| Sponsors (House and Senate) | Senate: R. Fields (D) R. Pelton (R) House: W. Lindstedt (D) L. Frizell (R) |
| Bill Summary | Requires that county Veterans Services Officers (VSO) be certified by the state and accredited by the Federal Veterans Administration, in order to file claims on behalf of veterans. In addition, the Division of Military & Veterans Affairs will establish a new hourly rate for qualified VSO's. |
| Staff Comments | To CCI's knowledge, there are nine counties whose Veterans Services Officer is not accredited. Last Friday, CCI hosted a follow up discussion with the Division, that recording will be available shortly. A possible follow up may occur with Division leadership regarding the requirement for VSO's to be veterans – more details to come. Lastly, additional information regarding VSO definitions is available here. https://ccionline.org/download/DVA-Director-VSO-Definitions.pdf |
| Position | Pending |
| Status | Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Amended - Consent Calendar to Senate Committee of the Whole (01/25/2024) |