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### **Arapahoe County's Child Support Enforcement program to transfer to the Department of Human Services**

*Move from District Attorney's Office designed to strengthen program, reduce costs*

**LITTLETON, CO. ---** The Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners approved the transition of the administration of the Child Support Enforcement program from the District Attorney's Office to the County's Department of Human Services in a study session today.

Arapahoe County is one of three counties that still contracts with the District Attorney's Office to administer the Child Support Enforcement program. With the contract up for renewal, a recommendation was made to align the organizational structure of the program to coincide with other counties and the state.

By moving the program to the Department of Human Services, the County will be able to facilitate and strengthen the interaction between human services programs such as TANF, Food Stamps, Medicaid and Child Welfare, and better meet citizens' needs relative to access, enhanced cooperation, and cross program referrals, an important connection to successfully help clients to achieve self-sufficiency.

"The District Attorney's Office has created a very strong program," said Commissioner Frank Weddig. "By transitioning an award-winning program to Human Services we will strengthen its coordination with other County services."

Key personnel from Human Services, Human Resources, County Attorney's Office and the District Attorney's Office will be working closely during the next few weeks to ensure that the transition will be done in a smooth, effective and practical timeframe.

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