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2008 Sunrise Review of Human Trackers Released – No Regulation Recommended

Denver, Colorado --- The Department of Regulatory Agencies' Office of Policy, Research and Regulatory Reform has released a sunrise review examining the need for state certification of Human Trackers. A sunrise review is required when any interested party proposes state regulation of a currently unregulated occupation or profession. Sunrise reviews determine whether the public is being harmed by the unregulated practice of an occupation or profession and whether there are less burdensome alternatives. These reviews are presented to the General Assembly to better enable it to evaluate the need for the regulation and to determine the least restrictive regulatory alternative consistent with the public interest.

A sunrise application was filed requesting state certification of Human Trackers. The applicant contends that Colorado residents are harmed when properly qualified Human Trackers are denied permission to participate in search and rescue operations. The 2008 sunrise review of Human Trackers found that this is not a problem and that the local law enforcement agencies' current practice of using privately-certified Human Trackers is sufficient to protect Colorado consumers. Consequently the review recommended that these practitioners not be certified by the State of Colorado.

Please visit <http://www.dora.state.co.us/opr/oprpublications.htm> for the complete reviews.



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