

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team
at MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org by **3:00pm on Monday**.

Date of Request: January 23, 2017

Please mark one: **Bill Request** or **Resolution Request**

1. Has your agency submitted this request in the last 12 months?

Yes **No**

If yes, please explain:

2. Title: An Ordinance Concerning Refund Payments to Elderly or Disabled Persons

3. Requesting Agency:
Denver Department of Human Services

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6. General description of proposed ordinance including contract scope of work if applicable: Administration of the Refund Payments to Elderly or Disabled Persons program has shifted to the Department of Human Services. Changes to the existing Ordinance have been made to clarify and update eligibility and payment requirements. A change was also made in Section 53-498 from a dollar amount threshold to a percentage threshold. This change does not substantively change the amount of benefit received, but does make it easier to program the eligibility database technology each year and a Cost of Living Adjustment is made to the benefit amount.

7. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance? Please explain. The only Ordinance change that could be considered controversial is a change to Section 53-494 that changes the application filing deadline from April to the previous December. Almost all applications are received before the end of the year, so the application deadline change will not affect many people. The Department plans to make it clear through marketing efforts that the application deadline has changed. The change also simplifies the application (e.g., not submitting a 2015 application in 2017) and provides some extra time to complete all administration of one year's applications before the next year's applications are received.

To be completed by Mayor's Legislative Team:

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