

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Business, Labor, & Technology.

SB25-037 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 4, strike lines 1 through 4 and substitute:

2 "(E) FOR MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND AFTER JULY 1, 2025,
3 SUPPORT TARGETED INVESTMENT IN COAL TRANSITION COMMUNITIES BY
4 COLLABORATING WITH COAL TRANSITION COMMUNITIES AND ELIGIBLE
5 ENTITIES, STATE AND REGIONALLY RECOGNIZED GOVERNMENTAL AND
6 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTITIES, EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS THAT
7 REPRESENT COAL TRANSITION WORKERS, AND WORKERS WHO ARE NOT
8 AFFILIATED WITH EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPLEMENT EFFECTIVE
9 PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS FOR THOSE COMMUNITIES CONSISTENT WITH
10 THIS PART 5.

11 (II.5) (A) THE OFFICE SHALL ESTABLISH A TIMELINE FOR
12 REVIEWING PROJECT PROPOSALS AND APPLICATIONS AND SHALL PROMPTLY
13 NOTIFY APPLICANTS OF ANY DEFICIENCIES OR INCOMPLETENESS THAT MAY
14 BE REMEDIED PRIOR TO A FINAL FUNDING DETERMINATION. APPLICANTS
15 MUST BE ALLOWED FIFTEEN DAYS TO MAKE CHANGES OR ADD
16 SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION.

17 (B) PROJECT FUNDING DECISIONS MUST BE ISSUED WITHIN NINETY
18 DAYS OF RECEIVING A FINAL PROJECT PROPOSAL. IF A DECISION IS NOT
19 POSSIBLE WITHIN NINETY DAYS, THE OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE A STATUS
20 UPDATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THAT TIME. ALL FUNDING DECISIONS MUST
21 BE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WITH PUBLISHED REASONS FOR DENIAL OF A
22 PROJECT PROPOSAL ALONG WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT.

23 (C) AT THE EARLIEST REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
24 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF A FISCAL YEAR, THE
25 OFFICE SHALL REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE ABOUT THE
26 GRANTS AWARDED BY THE OFFICE DURING THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR,
27 THEIR RECIPIENTS, AND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THEY WERE AWARDED
28 AND MAKE THE SAME PRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL SMART ACT
29 HEARINGS OF THE SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE
30 AND THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
31 COMMITTEE."

32 Page 6, line 3, after "INC.," insert "RELEVANT EMPLOYEE
33 ORGANIZATIONS,".

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