After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB20-1057 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend printed bill, page 2, line 3, strike ":(4.5)(d) and (9);" and substitute ":(4.5)(d), (6), and (9);".

Page 2, line 3, after "and (9);" insert "repeal (4)(d);" and after "(4.3)," insert "(4.4),".

Page 3, line 1, after "contribution." insert "IN MEASURING AN IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION FOR PURPOSES OF MEETING THE FIFTY PERCENT AND TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT MATCHES REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (3), "IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION" MAY INCLUDE VOLUNTEER HOURS PROVIDED BY THE STAFF OF AN ENTITY OR ORGANIZATION APPLYING FOR GRANT FUNDING AND THE TIME FOR WHICH STAFF RECEIVES MONETARY COMPENSATION IN THE FORM OF SALARY OR OTHER FINANCIAL BENEFITS. SUCH COMPENSATED TIME THAT COUNTS TOWARDS THE IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION IS LIMITED TO THE ESTIMATED TIME OF PAID STAFF IN PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING THE MITIGATION PROJECT.".

Page 3, after line 5 insert:

"(4) Eligibility requirements. To be eligible to receive funding under this section, a project must:

(d) Include a diverse and balanced group of stakeholders as well as appropriate federal, state, county, and municipal government representatives in the design, implementation, and monitoring of the
Page 3, after line 10 insert:

"(4.4) Additional funding objectives. As part of the submission of grant applications under this section, the Forest Service encourages applicants to include on their grant application information that indicates whether the project is supported by a diverse and balanced group of stakeholders as well as appropriate federal, state, county, and municipal government representatives in the design, implementation, and monitoring of the project."

Page 3, after line 18 insert:

"(6) Proposal selection. After consulting with the technical advisory panel established in subsection (5) of this section, the forest service shall select the proposals that will receive funding through this section. In carrying out approved projects, the project proponents shall, whenever feasible, contract with the Colorado youth corps association or an accredited Colorado youth corps to provide labor. The General Assembly encourages the Forest Service to modify its administrative policies and procedures under this section to enable funding to be provided to grant recipients in March to enable wildfire mitigation to commence before the prime wildfire season starts in June.".

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