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HOUSE BILL 18-1351

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING SIGNAGE FOR THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Section 1 of the bill recognizes the significance of the old Spanish national historic trail as a historic resource in Colorado. The bill requires the executive director of the department of transportation to erect signs marking portions of the trail that travel along or cross highways in Colorado.

Section 2 amends existing law that makes it a misdemeanor to deface or destroy monuments or markers on the Santa Fe trail to include monuments marking any historic trail.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-80-803 as
3 follows:

4 **24-80-803. Old Spanish trail - marking - legislative**
5 **declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY RECOGNIZES AND
6 COMMENDS THE DESIGNATION BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
7 OF THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL AS A NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL. THE GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT THE PORTIONS OF THE OLD SPANISH
9 TRAIL OCCURRING IN THE STATE OF COLORADO ARE A VALUABLE AND
10 NOTEWORTHY HISTORIC RESOURCE THAT SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED FOR THE
11 TRAVELING PUBLIC WHERE THEY TRAVEL ON OR CROSS THE HIGHWAYS OF
12 THE STATE OF COLORADO.

13 (2) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 TRANSPORTATION SHALL MARK WITH SUITABLE SIGNS SIGNIFICANT ROUTE
15 SEGMENTS AND SITES RECOGNIZED AS ASSOCIATED WITH THE OLD SPANISH
16 TRAIL IN COLORADO, AS GENERALLY DEPICTED ON THE MAPS CONTAINED
17 IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, NATIONAL PARKS
18 SERVICE REPORT ENTITLED "OLD SPANISH TRAIL NATIONAL HISTORIC
19 TRAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT", DATED
20 JULY 2001, AND AS FURTHER REFINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE
21 INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES, WHERE THOSE ROUTES TRAVEL ON AND
22 CROSS THE HIGHWAYS OF THE STATE. THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 TRANSPORTATION MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
24 DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS
25 SECTION.

26 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 24-80-801 as

1 follows:

2 **24-80-801. Penalty for damaging monuments.** Any person who
3 destroys, defaces, removes, or injures the monuments or marks erected to
4 mark ~~the Santa Fe Trail~~ A HISTORIC TRAIL UNDER THIS PART 8 in the state
5 of Colorado is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof,
6 shall be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in
7 the county jail for not less than thirty nor more than ninety days, or by
8 both such fine and imprisonment.

9 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
10 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
11 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
12 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a
13 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
14 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
15 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
16 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
17 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
18 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.