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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT**  
102                    **PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, FUNDING THE**  
103                    **GRANT PROGRAM FROM LOTTERY MONEY.**

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**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>.)*

The bill establishes an outdoor equity board (board) in the division of parks and wildlife. The board is responsible for the governance of the outdoor equity grant program (grant program), which is created in the bill. The purpose of the outdoor equity grant program is to increase access and opportunity for underserved youth and their families to experience

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.

Colorado's open spaces, state parks, public lands, and other outdoor areas.

The bill specifies that the board may award grants to applicants that will directly utilize the grant to engage eligible youth and their families by reducing barriers to the Colorado outdoors, creating pathways for formal or informal conservation of the Colorado outdoors, or offering environmental and Colorado outdoor-based educational opportunities.

The bill funds the grant program through a redistribution of lottery money that is earmarked for the general fund.

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

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 2 to article 9 of title 33 as follows:

PART 2

OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM

**33-9-201. Legislative declaration.** (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

(a) THE PURPOSE OF THE OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM IS TO INCREASE ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR UNDERSERVED YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES TO EXPERIENCE COLORADO'S OPEN SPACES, STATE PARKS, PUBLIC LANDS, AND OTHER OUTDOOR AREAS THROUGH PROGRAMS WITH A FOCUS ON CONSERVATION, THE ENVIRONMENT, OUTDOOR EDUCATION, OR OUTDOOR RECREATION;

(b) COLORADO IS A STATE OF DYNAMIC GROWTH, CHANGE, AND PROGRESS. IT IS INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED FOR ITS BEAUTY AND VAST SCOPE OF YEAR-ROUND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, NATURAL LANDSCAPES, AND MOUNTAIN ADVENTURES.

(c) PARADOXICALLY, DESPITE THE PLETHORA OF OUTDOOR OPPORTUNITIES, CERTAIN DEMOGRAPHICS OF COLORADO YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES FACE REAL CHALLENGES AND OBSTACLES TO ACCESSING NATURE;

1 (d) A CLEAR LACK OF EQUITY EXISTS FOR LOW-INCOME,  
2 INNER-CITY, RURAL, RACIALLY, AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSE YOUTH, FOR  
3 YOUTH WHO ARE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, OR QUEER OR  
4 QUESTIONING, FOR NATIVE AMERICAN OR INDIGENOUS YOUTH, AND FOR  
5 YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES TO ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL OUTDOOR  
6 EXPERIENCES AND NATURE-BASED EDUCATION;

7 (e) HISTORIC AND CHRONIC SYSTEMIC INEQUITIES HAVE MADE  
8 ACCESS TO NATURE MORE CHALLENGING FOR THESE YOUTH;

9 (f) RESEARCH CONFIRMS THAT TIME SPENT OUTSIDE IS ESSENTIAL  
10 TO HEALTH AND WELL-BEING; IT IMPROVES PHYSICAL AND MENTAL  
11 HEALTH, REDUCES STRESS, AND ENHANCES SOCIAL SKILLS; AND

12 (g) MORE TIME SPENT IN NATURE FOR DISPOSSESSED YOUTH CAN  
13 TRANSLATE TO BETTER ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, INCREASED  
14 ENTHUSIASM FOR SCHOOL AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, AND A LESSENER  
15 LIKELIHOOD FOR ATTENDANCE PROBLEMS.

16 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS AND DECLARES THAT  
17 IT IS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH AN OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM TO  
18 FUND PROGRAMS AND MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES LED BY COMMUNITY  
19 MEMBERS AND LEADERS WHO UNDERSTAND THE UNIQUE NEEDS AND  
20 PERSPECTIVES OF UNDERSERVED YOUTH AND THEIR COMMUNITIES IN  
21 ORDER TO ENSURE LONG-TERM AND SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENTS FOR NEW  
22 GENERATIONS OF OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS AND CONSERVATIONISTS.

23 **33-9-202. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 2, UNLESS THE  
24 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

25 (1) "APPLICANT" MEANS A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, A NONPROFIT  
26 ORGANIZATION, A FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, OR A FEDERALLY  
27 RECOGNIZED TRIBE THAT IS LOCATED IN THE STATE.

1 (2) "COLORADO OUTDOORS" MEANS COLORADO'S OPEN SPACES,  
2 STATE PARKS, PUBLIC LANDS, AND OTHER OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS.

3 (3) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
4 RESOURCES.

5 (4) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PARKS  
6 AND WILDLIFE.

7 (5) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE,  
8 CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-104.

9 (6) "ELIGIBLE YOUTH" MEANS A PERSON WHO RESIDES IN  
10 COLORADO AND WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO PUBLIC SCHOOL IN  
11 THE STATE OR WHO IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO PUBLIC  
12 SCHOOL IN THE STATE BUT IS NOT YET TWENTY-SIX YEARS OLD, AND  
13 INCLUDES THE PERSON'S FAMILY.

14 (7) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

16 (8) "LOW INCOME" MEANS MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME THAT IS  
17 LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO TWO HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL  
18 POVERTY LINE.

19 (9) "OUTDOOR EQUITY BOARD" OR "BOARD" MEANS THE OUTDOOR  
20 EQUITY BOARD CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-203.

21 (10) "OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND" OR "FUND" MEANS THE OUTDOOR  
22 EQUITY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-206.

23 (11) "OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM" OR "GRANT PROGRAM"  
24 MEANS THE OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION  
25 33-9-205.

26 **33-9-203. Outdoor equity board - creation - terms - per diem**  
27 **and expense reimbursement.** (1) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED THE

1 OUTDOOR EQUITY BOARD IN THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE. THE  
2 BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GOVERNANCE OF THE OUTDOOR EQUITY  
3 GRANT PROGRAM.

4 (2) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING NINE VOTING  
5 MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

6 (a) ONE MEMBER PERSONALLY IMPACTED BY AND WITH  
7 EXPERIENCE IN RACIAL JUSTICE ISSUES;

8 (b) ONE MEMBER PERSONALLY IMPACTED BY AND WITH  
9 EXPERIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES;

10 (c) ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERIENCE WORKING ON CONSERVATION  
11 ISSUES;

12 (d) ONE MEMBER WITH EXPERIENCE IN PROVIDING OUTDOOR  
13 EDUCATION PROGRAMS;

14 (e) ONE MEMBER PERSONALLY IMPACTED BY AND WITH  
15 EXPERIENCE IN DISABILITY-ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR PROGRAMMING;

16 (f) ONE MEMBER PERSONALLY IMPACTED BY AND WITH  
17 EXPERIENCE IN EQUITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LESBIAN, GAY,  
18 BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, OR QUEER OR QUESTIONING; AND

19 (g) THREE YOUTH MEMBERS FROM COMMUNITIES ELIGIBLE TO BE  
20 SERVED BY THE GRANT PROGRAM AT THE TIME OF THEIR APPOINTMENT.

21 (3) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING THREE NONVOTING  
22 MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

23 (a) THE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO OUTDOOR RECREATION  
24 INDUSTRY OFFICE, CREATED IN SECTION 24-48.5-127, OR THEIR APPOINTEE;

25 (b) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, OR  
26 THEIR APPOINTEE; AND

27 (c) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS

1 COLORADO PROGRAM, OR THEIR APPOINTEE.

2 (4) (a) THE DIRECTOR SHALL APPOINT THE VOTING MEMBERS OF  
3 THE BOARD IN CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

4 (b) THE DIRECTOR SHALL ACCEPT NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD  
5 MEMBERS THROUGH AN OPEN AND PUBLIC PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE  
6 DIVISION THAT ENGAGES NONPROFIT AND PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS THAT  
7 HAVE A FOCUS ON RACIAL EQUITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE,  
8 CONSERVATION AND STEWARDSHIP, YOUTH ACTIVITY AND ENGAGEMENT,  
9 EDUCATION, DISABILITY ADVOCACY AND ACCESSIBILITY, ADVOCACY AND  
10 ACCESSIBILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL,  
11 TRANSGENDER, OR QUEER OR QUESTIONING, ADVOCACY FOR NATIVE  
12 AMERICAN OR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE, AND OTHER RELEVANT AREAS OF  
13 FOCUS, AND THAT:

14 (I) WORK TO ENSURE THAT YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE  
15 ACCESS, REPRESENTATION, MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION, AND QUALITY  
16 EXPERIENCES IN THE OUTDOORS;

17 (II) PROMOTE CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS, POLICIES,  
18 PROTOCOLS, AND STAFFING IN THE OUTDOORS; AND

19 (III) RAISE AWARENESS OF AND SEEK TO ADDRESS THE ROOT  
20 CAUSES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DISPARITIES FACING UNDERSERVED  
21 COMMUNITIES.

22 (5) TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ATTEMPT TO  
23 APPOINT VOTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

24 (a) WHO HAVE EXPERIENCE PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL  
25 EXPERIENCES TO UNDERSERVED YOUTH; AND

26 (b) WHO REFLECT THE DIVERSITY OF THE STATE WITH REGARD TO  
27 RACE, ETHNICITY, GENDER, IMMIGRATION STATUS, INCOME, WEALTH,

1 ABILITY, AND GEOGRAPHY.

2 (6) THE DIRECTOR SHALL MAKE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE  
3 BOARD BY OCTOBER 15, 2021.

4 (7) (a) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (7)(b) AND (7)(c) OF  
5 THIS SECTION, THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
6 APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR IS FOUR YEARS.

7 (b) IN ORDER TO ENSURE STAGGERED TERMS OF OFFICE, THE  
8 INITIAL TERM OF OFFICE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IS:

9 (I) TWO YEARS FOR THE MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO  
10 SUBSECTIONS (2)(a), (2)(b), AND (2)(c) OF THIS SECTION; AND

11 (II) FOUR YEARS FOR THE MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO  
12 SUBSECTIONS (2)(d), (2)(e), AND (2)(f) OF THIS SECTION.

13 (c) THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR TWO OF THE YOUTH MEMBERS OF THE  
14 BOARD IS TWO YEARS AND THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR ONE OF THE YOUTH  
15 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IS ONE YEAR, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR.

16 (d) BOARD MEMBERS MAY SERVE NO MORE THAN TWO TERMS.

17 (e) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY SHALL  
18 SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE MEMBER WHOSE  
19 VACANCY IS BEING FILLED; THE REMAINDER COUNTS AS ONE TERM FOR  
20 THAT APPOINTEE.

21 (8) (a) VOTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD RECEIVE A PER DIEM OF  
22 TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR ATTENDANCE AT REGULARLY SCHEDULED  
23 MEETINGS OF THE BOARD DURING THE 2021-22 STATE FISCAL YEAR, AND  
24 TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS AS ANNUALLY ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION BASED  
25 ON THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
26 LABOR'S BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR  
27 DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR ALL ITEMS PAID BY ALL URBAN

1 CONSUMERS, OR ITS APPLICABLE PREDECESSOR OR SUCCESSOR INDEX,  
2 DURING THE 2022-23 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR  
3 THEREAFTER. VOTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE ALSO REIMBURSED  
4 FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED WHILE PERFORMING  
5 OFFICIAL DUTIES, TOGETHER WITH MILEAGE AT THE RATE AT WHICH  
6 MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ARE REIMBURSED PURSUANT TO  
7 SECTION 2-2-317.

8 (b) NONVOTING MEMBERS MAY NOT RECEIVE PER DIEM, BUT MAY  
9 BE REIMBURSED FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED WHILE  
10 PERFORMING OFFICIAL DUTIES, TOGETHER WITH MILEAGE AT THE RATE AT  
11 WHICH MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ARE REIMBURSED PURSUANT  
12 TO SECTION 2-2-317.

13 **33-9-204. Outdoor equity board - duties.** (1) THE BOARD SHALL  
14 MEET AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE FOLLOWING DUTIES  
15 AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

16 (a) TO CREATE AN OUTDOOR EQUITY WEBSITE;

17 (b) TO ADMINISTER THE GRANT PROGRAM AND, SUBJECT TO  
18 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, AWARD GRANTS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION  
19 33-9-205;

20 (c) TO ESTABLISH ANY POLICIES AS ARE NECESSARY OR EXPEDIENT  
21 FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS AFFAIRS AND ITS MEETINGS AND TO POST THOSE  
22 POLICIES ON ITS WEBSITE, INCLUDING:

23 (I) A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY FOR ITS MEMBERS IN ORDER  
24 TO PREVENT THOSE WHO SERVE ON THE BOARD FROM BENEFITTING FROM  
25 THE GRANT PROGRAM;

26 (II) POLICIES RELATED TO TIME FRAMES FOR APPLYING FOR  
27 GRANTS AND FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF GRANT MONEY UNDER SECTION



1 33-9-205; AND

2 (III) POLICIES RELATED TO THE FORM OF THE GRANT PROGRAM  
3 APPLICATION, SO AS TO ENSURE THAT THE APPLICATIONS ARE CONCISE,  
4 STRAIGHTFORWARD, OBJECTIVE, INCLUSIVE, AND ACCESSIBLE TO ALL  
5 INTERESTED PARTIES;

6 (d) TO ESTABLISH MEANINGFUL QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE  
7 GRANT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS THAT ALLOW THE GRANTEEES TO  
8 HIGHLIGHT WHO THEY ARE SERVING AND HOW THEY ARE SERVING THEM,  
9 INCLUDING REPORTS ON THE ETHNIC AND RACIAL MAKEUP OF THE  
10 PARTICIPANTS OF PROGRAMS FUNDED, THE AGES AND LOCALITIES OF  
11 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS, THE TYPES OF PROGRAMMING FUNDED, AND  
12 OTHER RELEVANT CRITERIA THAT THE BOARD SEES FIT;

13 (e) TO COMPILE AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT DETAILS INFORMATION  
14 ABOUT THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE AWARDED GRANTS, INCLUDING: THE  
15 ETHNIC AND RACIAL MAKEUP OF THE PARTICIPANTS, THE AGES AND  
16 LOCALITIES OF PARTICIPANTS, THE TYPES OF PROGRAMS, AND OTHER  
17 RELEVANT INFORMATION THAT THE BOARD SEES FIT; AND

18 (f) (I) TO PRESENT THE REPORT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(e)  
19 OF THIS SECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE  
20 COMMISSION, AND TO MAKE THE REPORT PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE,  
21 INCLUDING POSTING THE REPORT ON THE BOARD'S WEBSITE.

22 (II) IN JANUARY 2023, AND EACH JANUARY THEREAFTER, THE  
23 DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT ON THE GRANT PROGRAM, INCLUDING A  
24 SUMMARY OF THE REPORT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(e) OF THIS  
25 SECTION, AS PART OF THE DEPARTMENT'S PRESENTATION TO ITS  
26 COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AT A HEARING HELD PURSUANT TO SECTION  
27 2-7-203 (2)(a) OF THE "STATE MEASUREMENT FOR ACCOUNTABLE,

1 RESPONSIVE, AND TRANSPARENT (SMART) GOVERNMENT ACT".

2 (2) THE BOARD IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS  
3 OF THE "COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT", PART 2 OF ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE  
4 24, AND THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW CONTAINED IN PART 4 OF ARTICLE 6 OF  
5 TITLE 24.

6 **33-9-205. Outdoor equity grant program - creation.** (1) THE  
7 BOARD SHALL IMPLEMENT THE GRANT PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
8 THIS SECTION AND THE POLICIES IT ESTABLISHES UNDER SECTION 33-9-204  
9 (1)(c).

10 (2) TO RECEIVE A GRANT, AN APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT AN  
11 APPLICATION TO THE BOARD.

12 (3) THE BOARD SHALL REVIEW EACH APPLICATION IT RECEIVES  
13 AND MAY AWARD GRANTS TO APPLICANTS THAT WILL DIRECTLY UTILIZE  
14 THE GRANT TO ENGAGE RACIALLY OR ETHNICALLY DIVERSE ELIGIBLE  
15 YOUTH WHO ARE FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, ENGAGE ELIGIBLE YOUTH  
16 WHO ARE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, OR QUEER OR  
17 QUESTIONING, ENGAGE NATIVE AMERICAN OR INDIGENOUS YOUTH, OR  
18 ENGAGE ELIGIBLE YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES IN SUCH A WAY SO AS TO  
19 BUILD SUSTAINABILITY AND CAPACITY FOR SUCH HISTORICALLY  
20 UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, AND SO AS TO:

21 (a) REDUCE BARRIERS TO THE COLORADO OUTDOORS;

22 (b) CREATE PATHWAYS FOR FORMAL OR INFORMAL CONSERVATION  
23 OF THE COLORADO OUTDOORS; OR

24 (c) OFFER ENVIRONMENTAL AND COLORADO OUTDOOR-BASED  
25 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

26 (4) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, GRANTS SHALL BE  
27 PAID OUT OF THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-206.

1           **33-9-206. Outdoor equity fund.** (1) (a) THE OUTDOOR EQUITY  
2 FUND IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS  
3 OF MONEY CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 44-40-111 (12).  
4 ALL INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT  
5 OF MONEY IN THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND MUST BE CREDITED TO THE FUND  
6 AND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER  
7 FUND AT THE END OF ANY FISCAL YEAR. ANY UNEXPENDED AND  
8 UNENCUMBERED MONEY REMAINING IN THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND AT  
9 THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR STAYS IN THE FUND.

10           (b) THE MONEY CREDITED TO THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND  
11 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION AND ANY INCOME AND  
12 INTEREST DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF SUCH MONEY  
13 IS EXEMPT FROM ANY RESTRICTION ON SPENDING, REVENUE, OR  
14 APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE RESTRICTIONS OF  
15 SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

16           (2) SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY, THE DIVISION MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE OUTDOOR  
18 EQUITY FUND TO IMPLEMENT THE OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM. THE  
19 DEPARTMENT MAY USE MONEY IN THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND TO PAY THE  
20 DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT INCURS TO  
21 ADMINISTER THIS PART 2, ASSIST THE OUTDOOR EQUITY BOARD, AND PAY  
22 THE PER DIEM AND EXPENSES OF THE OUTDOOR EQUITY BOARD MEMBERS.

23           (3) THE OUTDOOR EQUITY BOARD MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND  
24 GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, LOANS OF MONEY, OR AID IN ANY FORM FROM  
25 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, ANY STATE AGENCY, ANY LOCAL  
26 GOVERNMENT, OR FROM PRIVATE SOURCES, OR ANY COMBINATION  
27 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PART 2, AND ANY SUCH MONEY MUST

1 BE CREDITED TO THE GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS ACCOUNT CREATED  
2 IN THE FUND. THE MONEY IN THE GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS  
3 ACCOUNT IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE DIVISION TO  
4 IMPLEMENT THE OUTDOOR EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM.

5 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 44-40-111, **add** (12)  
6 as follows:

7 **44-40-111. Lottery fund - creation - definitions.** (12) (a) As  
8 USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (12), UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE  
9 REQUIRES:

10 (I) "OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND" MEANS THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND  
11 CREATED IN SECTION 33-9-206.

12 (II) "PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND" MEANS THE  
13 PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION  
14 33-10-111 (1).

15 (III) "PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND"  
16 MEANS THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND  
17 CREATED IN SECTION 22-43.7-104.

18 (IV) "WILDLIFE CASH FUND" MEANS THE WILDLIFE CASH FUND  
19 CREATED IN SECTION 33-1-112 (1)(a).

20 (b) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (10)(b) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE  
21 TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER MONEY THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE  
22 ALLOCATED TO THE GENERAL FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 (1)(b)(III) OF  
23 ARTICLE XXVII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, AND AS DESCRIBED IN  
24 SECTION 33-60-104 (1)(c), AS FOLLOWS:

25 (I) FOR THE 2020-21 STATE FISCAL YEAR, TO THE EXTENT  
26 AVAILABLE, THE FIRST SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE  
27 OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND; THE NEXT THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO THE

1 PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND; AND ANY  
2 REMAINING MONEY AS FOLLOWS: TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE WILDLIFE  
3 CASH FUND, TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR  
4 RECREATION CASH FUND, AND FIFTY PERCENT TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
5 CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND;

6 (II) FOR THE 2021-22 STATE FISCAL YEAR, TO THE EXTENT  
7 AVAILABLE, THE FIRST ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS  
8 TO THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND; THE NEXT THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO  
9 THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND; AND ANY  
10 REMAINING MONEY AS FOLLOWS: TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE WILDLIFE  
11 CASH FUND, TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR  
12 RECREATION CASH FUND, AND FIFTY PERCENT TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
13 CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND;

14 (III) FOR THE 2022-23 STATE FISCAL YEAR, TO THE EXTENT  
15 AVAILABLE, THE FIRST TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND  
16 DOLLARS TO THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND; THE NEXT THREE MILLION  
17 DOLLARS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE  
18 FUND; AND ANY REMAINING MONEY AS FOLLOWS: TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT  
19 TO THE WILDLIFE CASH FUND, TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE PARKS AND  
20 OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND, AND FIFTY PERCENT TO THE PUBLIC  
21 SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE FUND; AND

22 (IV) FOR THE 2023-24 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE  
23 FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, TO THE EXTENT AVAILABLE, THE FIRST THREE  
24 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND; THE NEXT THREE  
25 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION  
26 ASSISTANCE FUND; AND ANY REMAINING MONEY AS FOLLOWS:  
27 TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT TO THE WILDLIFE CASH FUND, TWENTY-FIVE

1 PERCENT TO THE PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION CASH FUND, AND  
2 FIFTY PERCENT TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION  
3 ASSISTANCE FUND.

4 (c) THE MONEY TRANSFERRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (12) AND  
5 ANY INCOME AND INTEREST DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT  
6 OF SUCH MONEY IS EXEMPT FROM ANY RESTRICTION ON SPENDING,  
7 REVENUE, OR APPROPRIATIONS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE  
8 RESTRICTIONS OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

9 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-43.7-104, **amend**  
10 (2)(b)(III) as follows:

11 **22-43.7-104. Public school capital construction assistance fund**  
12 **- creation - crediting of money to fund - use of fund - emergency**  
13 **reserve - creation - reserve account - creation and use.** (2) (b) For  
14 each fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2008, the following  
15 moneys shall be credited to the assistance fund:

16 (III) ~~All moneys that would otherwise be transferred to the general~~  
17 ~~fund pursuant to section 3 (1)(b)(III) of article XXVII of the state~~  
18 ~~constitution.~~ ANY MONEY TRANSFERRED TO THE ASSISTANCE FUND UNDER  
19 SECTION 44-40-111 (12). The ~~moneys credited~~ MONEY TRANSFERRED to  
20 the assistance fund pursuant to this ~~subparagraph (III)~~ SUBSECTION  
21 (2)(b)(III) and any income and interest derived from the deposit and  
22 investment of such ~~moneys shall be~~ MONEY IS exempt from any restriction  
23 on spending, revenue, or appropriations, including, without limitation, the  
24 restrictions of section 20 of article X of the state constitution.

25 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 33-60-104, **amend**  
26 (1)(c) as follows:

27 **33-60-104. Distribution of net lottery proceeds beginning first**

1 **quarter of fiscal year 1998-99.** (1) For the first quarter of fiscal year  
2 1998-99 and for each quarter thereafter, the state treasurer shall distribute  
3 net lottery proceeds as follows:

4 (c) All remaining net lottery proceeds in trust to the trust fund  
5 board; except that, in any state fiscal year in which the portion of net  
6 lottery proceeds which would otherwise be given in trust to the trust fund  
7 board exceeds the adjusted amount of thirty-five million dollars as  
8 determined by the state treasurer in accordance with subsection (2) of this  
9 section, the net lottery proceeds in excess of such adjusted amount shall  
10 be allocated to the general fund AND TRANSFERRED AS SPECIFIED IN  
11 SECTION 44-40-111 (12).

12 **SECTION 5. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
13 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
14 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.