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**SENATE BILL 22-150**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING RESPONDING TO THE MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSONS**  
102              **CRISIS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ESTABLISHING THE**  
103              **OFFICE OF LIAISON FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS**  
104              **RELATIVES AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 22, 2022

SENATE  
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April 21, 2022

**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 the office of liaison for missing and murdered indigenous relatives (office) in the department of public safety (department). The bill lists the office's duties, which include assisting

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with missing indigenous persons investigations and homicide cases involving indigenous victims; taking measures to address issues relating to missing or murdered indigenous persons; and providing assistance to families of victims. Office personnel have access to criminal justice records and medical, coroner, and laboratory records in the custody of a state or local agency that are relevant and necessary for the office to perform its duties.

A community volunteer advisory board (board) is established in the office to identify and advise the office on areas of concern regarding missing or murdered indigenous relatives and issues of collaborative efforts related to missing or murdered indigenous relatives. The executive director appoints members to the board. Members are not office personnel.

In carrying out its duties, the office is required to collaborate with the Colorado commission of Indian affairs; federally recognized tribes; state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies; and indigenous-led organizations. The office must publish on its public website an overview of missing and murdered indigenous persons injustice.

The bill requires the Colorado bureau of investigation (bureau) to work with the office and federal, state, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies for the efficient investigation of missing or murdered indigenous persons. The bureau must operate a clearinghouse database on missing indigenous persons from Colorado and prepare an annual report on information about missing or murdered indigenous persons. The bureau is required to operate a missing indigenous person alert program.

The bill requires peace officers to receive training concerning issues relating to missing or murdered indigenous persons. The peace officer standards and training board must work with the office to develop and facilitate the training.

The bill requires a law enforcement agency that receives a report of a missing indigenous person to notify the bureau.

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

2           **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly  
3 finds and declares that:

4           (a) Sixty-one percent of American Indian and Alaska native  
5 women have been assaulted in their lifetimes;

6           (b) Compared to all other races, American Indians and Alaska  
7 natives are two and one-half times more likely to experience violent

1 crimes and at least two times more likely to experience rape or sexual  
2 assault crimes;

3 (c) Jurisdictional issues and data-sharing barriers between  
4 intergovernmental agencies and tribal governments result in confusing  
5 reporting mechanisms for those whose relatives are missing or murdered  
6 and very limited data about those missing or murdered indigenous  
7 relatives;

8 (d) It is necessary to develop and promote best practices and  
9 training for:

10 (I) Promoting community relations with indigenous populations;

11 (II) Law enforcement's response to indigenous persons who report  
12 missing relatives; and

13 (III) Data collection relating to reports of missing or murdered  
14 indigenous relatives;

15 (e) Other states, including Montana, Oklahoma, Minnesota,  
16 Washington, and Wyoming, have adopted legislation establishing entities  
17 to address issues related to violence against indigenous persons, including  
18 addressing jurisdictional and data-sharing barriers and a lack of best  
19 practices for law enforcement; and

20 (f) Colorado can best serve and seek justice for indigenous  
21 persons who have been the victims of violence by establishing an office  
22 to serve as a liaison on behalf of missing or murdered indigenous  
23 relatives.

24 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 25 to article  
25 33.5 of title 24 as follows:

26 PART 25



1 MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES

2 **24-33.5-2501. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 25, UNLESS THE  
3 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

4 (1) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE, APPOINTED  
5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-2503 (2).

6 (2) "INDIGENOUS" MEANS HAVING DESCENDED FROM PEOPLE WHO  
7 WERE LIVING IN NORTH AMERICA PRIOR TO THE TIME PEOPLE FROM  
8 EUROPE BEGAN SETTLING IN NORTH AMERICA, BEING AN ENROLLED  
9 MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE, OR BEING A LINEAL  
10 DESCENDANT OF A TRIBALLY ENROLLED PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

11 (3) "INDIGENOUS-LED ORGANIZATION" MEANS AN ORGANIZATION  
12 OR ENTITY WHOSE BOARD OR DECISION-MAKING BODY MEMBERSHIP IS  
13 ENTIRELY INDIGENOUS AND WHOSE STAFF IS COMPRISED OF AT LEAST  
14 SEVENTY PERCENT INDIGENOUS PERSONS.

15 (4) "MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE" MEANS ANY  
16 MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS PERSON.

17 (5) "OFFICE" MEANS THE OFFICE OF LIAISON FOR MISSING AND  
18 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES ESTABLISHED IN SECTION  
19 24-33.5-2503.

20 **24-33.5-2502. Missing and murdered indigenous relatives -**  
21 **department duties.** (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPROVE THE  
22 INVESTIGATION OF MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE CASES  
23 AND ADDRESS INJUSTICE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM'S RESPONSE TO  
24 THE CASES OF MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE CASES. THE  
25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ASSIGN STAFF AS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT  
26 THE DUTIES DESCRIBED IN THIS PART 25 AND MAY ASSIGN THE DUTIES TO  
27 THE VARIOUS DIVISIONS AND OFFICES IN THE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THE

1 OFFICE OF LIAISON FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES  
2 AND THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

3 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

4 (a) FACILITATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND WORK WITH TRIBAL,  
5 STATE, AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ON MISSING PERSONS  
6 INVESTIGATIONS AND HOMICIDE CASES INVOLVING INDIGENOUS VICTIMS;

7 (b) DEVELOP A BEST PRACTICES PROTOCOL FOR LAW  
8 ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE TO REPORTS OF MISSING INDIGENOUS PEOPLE;

9 (c) CONDUCT CASE REVIEWS AND REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF  
10 CASE REVIEWS FOR THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF MISSING OR MURDERED  
11 INDIGENOUS RELATIVES CASES:

12 (I) COLD CASES FOR MISSING INDIGENOUS PEOPLE; AND

13 (II) DEATH INVESTIGATION REVIEW FOR CASES OF INDIGENOUS  
14 PEOPLE RULED AS SUICIDE OR OVERDOSE UNDER SUSPICIOUS  
15 CIRCUMSTANCES;

16 (d) DEVELOP AND ENHANCE PARTNERSHIPS WITH TRIBAL LAW  
17 ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITIES TO BUILD TRUST, ENSURE EASE OF  
18 REPORTING, COORDINATE INVESTIGATIONS, AND TIMELY ENTER  
19 INFORMATION REGARDING MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS  
20 RELATIVES INTO RELEVANT CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATABASES;

21 (e) WORK WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ON  
22 REPORTED MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE CASES AND  
23 COORDINATE WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AS NECESSARY FOR THE  
24 INVESTIGATION OF THE CASES;

25 (f) UPDATE TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ON THE STATUS  
26 OF CASES INVOLVING A MISSING OR MURDERED MEMBER OF THE TRIBE;

27 (g) COORDINATE, AS RELEVANT, WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF

1 INDIAN AFFAIRS' COLD CASE OFFICE ESTABLISHED AS PART OF ITS  
2 OPERATION LADY JUSTICE INITIATIVE, OTHER FEDERAL EFFORTS, AND  
3 EFFORTS IN NEIGHBORING STATES TO INVESTIGATE COLD CASES INVOLVING  
4 MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES. THIS SUBSECTION (1)(g)  
5 PERTAINS TO STATE AND FEDERAL INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS. TRIBES ARE  
6 SOVEREIGN NATIONS THAT HAVE THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE IF AND HOW  
7 THEY WILL COORDINATE ANY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS.

8 (h) COORDINATE WITH OTHER STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES  
9 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, AGENCY TRIBAL LIAISONS, THE  
10 COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, AND COUNTY CORONERS TO  
11 DEVELOP TRAINING AND EDUCATION ON MISSING OR MURDERED  
12 INDIGENOUS PERSONS ISSUES, SPIRITUAL PRACTICES OR CEREMONIES  
13 PERTAINING TO HUMAN REMAINS OF AN INDIGENOUS PERSON, AND THE  
14 GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE AND  
15 TRIBES;

16 (i) WORK WITH THE PEACE OFFICER STANDARD AND TRAINING  
17 BOARD TO FACILITATE TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND MEMBERS  
18 OF THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES RELATING TO MISSING OR MURDERED  
19 INDIGENOUS PERSONS;

20 (j) DEVELOP BEST PRACTICES FOR DATA ACCURACY AND  
21 PROCEDURES TO UPDATE RECORDS WHEN INDIGENOUS VICTIMS ARE  
22 INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIED IN REPORTS AND RECOMMEND POLICIES AND  
23 BEST PRACTICES FOR MAINTAINING ACCURATE DATA AND CORRECTING  
24 VICTIM IDENTITY INACCURACIES IN REPORTS TO RELEVANT TRIBAL, STATE,  
25 AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT  
26 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES;

27 (k) COORDINATE WITH OTHER STATES TO ENSURE COLORADO IS

1 ENACTING AND USING BEST PRACTICES FOR REPORTING, TRACKING, AND  
2 INVESTIGATING MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES CASES  
3 AND TO IDENTIFY CASES INVOLVING REPEAT OFFENDERS;

4 (l) RECOMMEND TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUDICIARY  
5 COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, OR THEIR  
6 SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND ANY RELEVANT LAW ENFORCEMENT  
7 AGENCIES, LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY ACTIONS TO ADDRESS INJUSTICE IN  
8 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM'S RESPONSE TO THE CASES OF MISSING OR  
9 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES;

10 [REDACTED]

11 (m) DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS AND FACILITATE TRAINING TO  
12 STRENGTHEN THE TRAUMA-INFORMED AND VICTIM-CENTERED RESPONSE  
13 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, COURTS, AND THE HEALTH-CARE SYSTEM AS TO  
14 THE CAUSE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST INDIGENOUS SURVIVORS AND MAKE THE  
15 RECOMMENDATIONS AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS,  
16 RELEVANT TRIBAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,  
17 AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT AGENCIES;

18 (n) ASSIST FAMILIES, TRIBAL AGENCIES, AND NONGOVERNMENTAL  
19 ENTITIES IN USING THE NATIONAL MISSING AND UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS  
20 SYSTEM ADMINISTERED BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE WITHIN  
21 THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, AND OTHER RESOURCES;

22 (o) PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO FAMILIES OF INDIGENOUS VICTIMS ON  
23 HOW TO NAVIGATE STATE AND FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT CASES;

24 (p) INFORM INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND FAMILY  
25 MEMBERS ABOUT ACTIVE COMMUNITY-LED GRASSROOTS OR VOLUNTEER  
26 COLLABORATIONS THAT ARE ORGANIZING OR CONDUCTING SEARCH  
27 EFFORTS, SUPPORT GROUPS, OR OTHER SUPPORTIVE EFFORTS THAT ARE

1 RELEVANT TO THE COMMUNITY'S OR FAMILY MEMBER'S MISSING OR  
2 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE; AND

3 (q) CONSULT WITH INDIGENOUS-LED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS  
4 THAT SERVE INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS TO PROMOTE, AND DEVELOP BEST  
5 PRACTICES FOR PROMOTING, COMMUNITY RELATIONS WITH INDIGENOUS  
6 POPULATIONS.

7 **24-33.5-2503. Office of liaison for missing and murdered**  
8 **indigenous relatives - created - director - collaboration - advisory**

9 **board.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE OFFICE OF  
10 LIAISON FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES TO WORK  
11 ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO ARE MISSING OR MURDERED. THE OFFICE IS A  
12 **TYPE 2** ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-1-105, AND EXERCISES ITS  
13 POWERS AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE  
14 DEPARTMENT.

15 (2) (a) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
16 APPOINT THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF  
17 ARTICLE XII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE  
18 MUST BE A PERSON CLOSELY CONNECTED TO A TRIBE OR THE INDIGENOUS  
19 COMMUNITY AND WHO IS HIGHLY KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT CRIMINAL  
20 INVESTIGATIONS. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS ENCOURAGED TO CONSIDER  
21 CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT WHO ARE RECOMMENDED BY TRIBES AND  
22 INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES.

23 (b) THE DIRECTOR MAY APPOINT STAFF AS NECESSARY TO CARRY  
24 OUT THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE. IN APPOINTING STAFF FOR THE OFFICE, THE  
25 DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE PREFERENCE TO THOSE WITH EXPERIENCE WORKING  
26 WITH INDIGENOUS PERSONS AND INDIAN TRIBES. THE DIRECTOR SHALL  
27 ENCOURAGE INDIGENOUS PERSONS TO APPLY FOR POSITIONS IN THE OFFICE.



1           (3) THE OFFICE SHALL SERVE AS A LIAISON ON BEHALF OF THE  
2 INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY ON ISSUES RELATED TO MISSING OR MURDERED  
3 INDIGENOUS RELATIVES, SUPPORT THE ADVISORY BOARD CREATED IN  
4 SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION, AND CARRY OUT ANY DUTIES ASSIGNED  
5 BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES, THE OFFICE  
6 SHALL COLLABORATE WITH ANY RELEVANT ENTITIES, INCLUDING THE  
7 COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED  
8 TRIBES, INDIGENOUS-LED ORGANIZATIONS, TRIBAL AND LOCAL LAW  
9 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, THE COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
10 AND THE COLORADO STATE PATROL.

11           (4) (a) THERE IS ESTABLISHED IN THE OFFICE THE COMMUNITY  
12 VOLUNTEER ADVISORY BOARD TO IDENTIFY AND ADVISE THE OFFICE ON  
13 AREAS OF CONCERN REGARDING MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS  
14 RELATIVES AND ISSUES RELATING TO ORGANIZING OR CONDUCTING  
15 SEARCH EFFORTS, SUPPORT GROUPS, OR OTHER SUPPORTIVE EFFORTS  
16 RELATED TO MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES. THE  
17 ADVISORY BOARD SHALL MEET AT LEAST ONCE PER QUARTER IN STATE  
18 FISCAL YEAR 2022-23, AND BIANNUALLY THEREAFTER, AT DATES AND  
19 TIMES AS CALLED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. THE ADVISORY BOARD  
20 MAY MEET ELECTRONICALLY.

21           (b) THE ADVISORY BOARD IS COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING  
22 MEMBERS:

23           (I) TEN MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AS  
24 FOLLOWS:

25           (A) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF AN INDIGENOUS-LED ORGANIZATION  
26 THAT PROVIDES ADVOCACY OR COUNSELING FOR INDIGENOUS VICTIMS OF  
27 VIOLENCE;

1 (B) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF AN INDIGENOUS-LED ORGANIZATION  
2 THAT PROVIDES LEGAL SERVICES FOR INDIGENOUS VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE;

3 (C) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF AN INDIGENOUS-LED ORGANIZATION  
4 THAT PROVIDES HEALTH SERVICES TO INDIGENOUS VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE;

5 (D) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A COMMUNITY-BASED  
6 ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES SERVICES TO AN URBAN INDIGENOUS  
7 COMMUNITY;

8 (E) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A COMMUNITY-BASED  
9 ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES SERVICES TO A RURAL INDIGENOUS  
10 COMMUNITY;

11 (F) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIM  
12 ADVOCATE ORGANIZATION SERVING COLORADO'S INDIGENOUS  
13 POPULATION;

14 (G) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT  
15 PROVIDES EDUCATION AND AWARENESS OF MISSING AND MURDERED  
16 INDIGENOUS RELATIVES; AND

17 (H) THREE MEMBERS WHO ARE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
18 BEEN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE OR ARE A FAMILY MEMBER OF AN INDIGENOUS  
19 PERSON WHO HAS BEEN A VICTIM OF VIOLENCE;

20 (II) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE UTE MOUNTAIN UTE  
21 TRIBE, APPOINTED BY THE UTE MOUNTAIN UTE TRIBAL COUNCIL;

22 (III) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN  
23 TRIBE, APPOINTED BY THE SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL COUNCIL;

24 (IV) ONE MEMBER WHO REPRESENTS THE UTE INDIAN TRIBE OF  
25 THE UINTAH AND OURAY RESERVATION, APPOINTED BY THE NORTHERN  
26 UTE TRIBAL COUNCIL;

27 (V) FOUR MEMBERS WHO ARE EACH AN ENROLLED MEMBER OF A

1 TRIBE WITH HISTORICAL TIES TO COLORADO, AS IDENTIFIED ON THE  
2 COLORADO TRIBAL CONTACTS LIST DEVELOPED BY HISTORY COLORADO  
3 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS;

4 (VI) TWO MEMBERS WITH EXPERTISE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT,  
5 APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FROM ANY TWO OF THE  
6 FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

7 (A) A PEACE OFFICER WHO WORKS OR RESIDES ON A FEDERALLY  
8 RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBE'S RESERVATION IN COLORADO;

9 (B) A SHERIFF FROM A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF FEWER  
10 THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS;

11 (C) A SHERIFF FROM AN URBAN COUNTY;

12 (D) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COLORADO STATE PATROL, WITH  
13 THE APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF THE STATE PATROL; OR

14 (E) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COLORADO BUREAU OF  
15 INVESTIGATION, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU;

16 AND

17 (VII) TWO MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
18 WHO EACH REPRESENT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

19 (A) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, APPOINTED WITH THE  
20 APPROVAL OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL;

21 (B) THE JUDICIAL BRANCH, APPOINTED WITH THE APPROVAL OF  
22 THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR;

23 (C) THE COLORADO COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, APPOINTED  
24 WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION'S DIRECTOR;

25 (D) CERTIFIED DEATH INVESTIGATORS, WHO MUST BE A DEATH  
26 INVESTIGATOR CERTIFIED BY THE STATE CORONERS ASSOCIATION; OR

27 (E) THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, APPOINTED

1 WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT.

2 (c) MEMBERS SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE APPOINTING  
3 AUTHORITY. ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION  
4 AND WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES. ADVISORY BOARD  
5 MEMBERS ARE NOT OFFICE PERSONNEL.

6 **24-33.5-2504. Gifts, grants, and donations.** THE DEPARTMENT  
7 MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FROM  
8 PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PART 25.

9 **24-33.5-2505. Information dashboard - report.** (1) THE  
10 DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH ON ITS PUBLIC WEBSITE A DASHBOARD THAT  
11 DISPLAYS, IN AN INTERACTIVE, INTUITIVE, AND VISUAL MANNER,  
12 INFORMATION REGARDING MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS PERSONS,  
13 INCLUDING:

14 (a) THE NUMBER OF CASES OF MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS  
15 RELATIVES;

16 (b) THE TRIBAL AFFILIATION OF EACH MISSING OR MURDERED  
17 INDIGENOUS RELATIVE, TO THE EXTENT THAT PUBLISHING TRIBAL  
18 AFFILIATION DOES NOT IDENTIFY AN INDIVIDUAL PERSON;

19 (c) GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION REGARDING CASES OF MISSING OR  
20 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES;

21 (d) THE RESULTS OF CASES OF MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS  
22 RELATIVES; FOR EXAMPLE, WHETHER THE PERSON IS FOUND AND WHETHER  
23 A PERPETRATOR HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED IN THE CASE AND THE  
24 DISPOSITION OF THE CHARGES; AND

25 (e) RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF MISSING OR  
26 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES.

27 (2) (a) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2023, AND ON OR BEFORE

1 DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
2 SUBMIT A REPORT ON MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES TO  
3 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUDICIARY COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE  
4 JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND THE  
5 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE THE REPORT  
6 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON ITS WEBSITE. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE  
7 AN UPDATE ABOUT MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES IN  
8 COLORADO, INCLUDING THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE DASHBOARD  
9 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION; THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
10 FOR LEGISLATIVE AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY ACTIONS DESCRIBED IN  
11 SECTION 24-33.5-2502 AND ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS TO  
12 ADDRESS INJUSTICE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM'S RESPONSE TO THE  
13 CASES OF MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES; AND A  
14 SUMMARY OF THE OFFICE'S WORK DURING THE YEAR.

15 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), THE  
16 REPORTING REQUIREMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2) CONTINUES  
17 INDEFINITELY.

18 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 24-31-319 as  
19 follows:

20 **24-31-319. Training related to missing indigenous persons -**  
21 **development - basic and in-service training required.** (1) THE  
22 P.O.S.T. BOARD SHALL WORK WITH THE OFFICE OF LIAISON FOR MISSING  
23 AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES CREATED IN SECTION  
24 24-33.5-2503 TO DEVELOP AND FACILITATE TRAINING FOR PEACE OFFICERS  
25 ON ISSUES RELATING TO MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS PERSONS  
26 INVESTIGATIONS.

27 (2) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023, THE BASIC ACADEMY

1 CURRICULUM AND ANNUAL IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMS MUST  
2 INCLUDE TRAINING CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO MISSING OR  
3 MURDERED INDIGENOUS PERSONS.

4 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-33.5-431 as  
5 follows:

6 **24-33.5-431. Missing indigenous persons - interagency**  
7 **cooperation - data repository - alert program - report - rules.**

8 (1) (a) THE BUREAU SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE OFFICE OF LIAISON FOR  
9 MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVES ESTABLISHED IN SECTION  
10 **24-33.5-2503** AND FEDERAL, STATE, TRIBAL, AND LOCAL LAW  
11 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR THE EFFICIENT INVESTIGATION OF MISSING  
12 OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE.

13 (b) ANY TIME THE BUREAU RECEIVES A REPORT OF A MISSING OR  
14 MURDERED INDIGENOUS RELATIVE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-33.5-2501,  
15 WHO IS A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE, THE BUREAU  
16 SHALL, AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE, NOTIFY THE TRIBAL ENTITY OF THE  
17 REPORT.

18 (2) (a) THE BUREAU IS THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY OF INFORMATION  
19 AND SHALL OPERATE A CLEARINGHOUSE DATABASE ON MISSING  
20 INDIGENOUS PERSONS FROM COLORADO.

21 (b) AS A FUNCTION OF THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY, THE BUREAU  
22 SHALL PREPARE AND MAKE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON  
23 INFORMATION COMPILED FROM THE CLEARINGHOUSE DATABASE. THE  
24 REPORT MUST INCLUDE BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION COLLECTED ON  
25 MISSING PERSONS AND INCLUDE INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY FEDERAL,  
26 STATE, TRIBAL, AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

27 (c) THE BUREAU MAY MAKE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION

1 ABOUT ONGOING MISSING PERSON INVESTIGATIONS TO AID IN THE  
2 EFFICIENT INVESTIGATION AND SWIFT RECOVERY OF MISSING PERSONS OR  
3 WHEN OTHERWISE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

4 (3) (a) IN ORDER TO AID IN THE SAFE RECOVERY OF MISSING  
5 INDIGENOUS PERSONS, THE BUREAU SHALL OPERATE A MISSING  
6 INDIGENOUS PERSON ALERT PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM MUST BE A  
7 COORDINATED EFFORT AMONG THE BUREAU, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT  
8 AGENCIES, FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES, ANY GOVERNMENTAL  
9 AGENCY THAT MAY BE INVOLVED IN THE SEARCH AND RECOVERY OF A  
10 MISSING PERSON, AND THE STATE'S PUBLIC AND COMMERCIAL TELEVISION  
11 AND RADIO BROADCASTERS. THE BUREAU MAY OPERATE THE ALERT  
12 SYSTEM AS A PART OF ANY OTHER MISSING PERSON ALERT PROGRAM  
13 OPERATED BY THE BUREAU.

14 (b) UPON RECEIVING NOTICE OF A MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSON  
15 FROM A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-2.7-103,  
16 OR FROM ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY THAT MAY BE INVOLVED IN THE  
17 SEARCH AND RECOVERY OF A MISSING PERSON, THE BUREAU SHALL  
18 CONFIRM THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION AND THEN ISSUE AN  
19 ALERT. THE ALERT MUST BE SENT TO DESIGNATED MEDIA OUTLETS IN  
20 COLORADO. PARTICIPATING RADIO STATIONS, TELEVISION STATIONS, AND  
21 OTHER MEDIA OUTLETS MAY ISSUE THE ALERT AT DESIGNATED INTERVALS  
22 AS SPECIFIED BY RULE. THE ALERT MUST INCLUDE ALL APPROPRIATE  
23 INFORMATION FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT MAY ASSIST  
24 IN THE SAFE RECOVERY OF THE MISSING PERSON AND A STATEMENT  
25 INSTRUCTING ANYONE WITH INFORMATION RELATED TO THE MISSING  
26 PERSON TO CONTACT A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

27 (c) THE BUREAU SHALL CANCEL THE ALERT UPON NOTIFICATION

1 THAT THE MISSING PERSON HAS BEEN FOUND OR AT THE END OF THE  
2 NOTIFICATION PERIOD, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. A LOCAL LAW  
3 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT LOCATES A MISSING PERSON WHO IS THE  
4 SUBJECT OF AN ALERT SHALL NOTIFY THE BUREAU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE  
5 THAT THE MISSING PERSON HAS BEEN LOCATED.

6 (d) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
7 PROMULGATE RULES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE "STATE ADMINISTRATIVE  
8 PROCEDURE ACT", ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE 24, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION  
9 OF THE PROGRAM. THE RULES MUST INCLUDE:

10 (I) THE PROCESS TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE BUREAU IN CONFIRMING  
11 THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY'S INFORMATION REGARDING A  
12 MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSON;

13 (II) THE PROCESS FOR REPORTING THE INFORMATION TO THE  
14 FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION'S DESIGNATED STATE  
15 EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM BROADCASTER IN COLORADO; AND

16 (III) ANY ADDITIONAL PROCESSES NECESSARY FOR THE EFFECTIVE  
17 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM.

18 (e) IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE  
19 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-7-203, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT THE  
20 NUMBER OF TIMES AND DATES WHEN THE ALERT SYSTEM WAS USED; THE  
21 AGE AND GENDER OF EACH MISSING PERSON; AND WHETHER THE ALERT  
22 SYSTEM ASSISTED IN LOCATING THE MISSING PERSON. NOTWITHSTANDING  
23 SUBSECTION 24-1-136 (11)(a)(I), THE REPORTING REQUIREMENT SET  
24 FORTH IN THIS SUBSECTION (3)(e) CONTINUES INDEFINITELY.

25 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-2.7-103, **add** (3)  
26 as follows:

27 **16-2.7-103. Missing person reports - response.** (3) IF THE



1 MISSING PERSON IS AN INDIGENOUS PERSON, THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION  
2 FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY INCLUDES APPROPRIATE  
3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT MAY  
4 ASSIST IN LOCATING THE MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSON. ADDITIONALLY,  
5 THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL, WITHIN EIGHT HOURS AFTER  
6 RECEIVING A REPORT OF A MISSING ADULT OR WITHIN TWO HOURS OF  
7 RECEIVING A REPORT OF A MISSING CHILD, NOTIFY THE COLORADO BUREAU  
8 OF INVESTIGATION.

9 **SECTION 6. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2022-23 state fiscal  
10 year, \$497,250 is appropriated to the department of public safety. This  
11 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the  
12 department may use this appropriation as follows:

13 (a) \$15,982 for use by the executive director's office for vehicle  
14 lease payments;

15 (b) \$372,798 for use by the Colorado bureau of investigation for  
16 personal services related to laboratory and investigative services, which  
17 amount is based on an assumption that the bureau will require an  
18 additional 4.5 FTE;

19 (c) \$93,590 for use by the Colorado bureau of investigation for  
20 operating expenses related to laboratory and investigative services; and

21 (d) \$14,880 for use by the Colorado bureau of investigation for  
22 overtime related to laboratory and investigative services.

23 (2) For the 2022-23 state fiscal year, \$15,982 is appropriated to  
24 the department of personnel. This appropriation is from reappropriated  
25 funds received from the department of public safety under subsection  
26 (1)(a) of this section. To implement this act, the department of personnel  
27 may use this appropriation to provide fleet vehicles for the department of

1 public safety.

2           **SECTION 7. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
3 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.