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SENATE BILL 23-204

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Senate Committees

Agriculture & Natural Resources

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE CORRECTION OF A DEFECTIVE DATE REFERENCE TO**
102 **PROPERLY REFLECT THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT THAT**
103 **AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT THAT IS USED IN ANY CONTROLLED**
104 **ENVIRONMENT AGRICULTURAL FACILITY BE EXEMPT FROM THE**
105 **PROPERTY TAXATION FOR ONLY FIVE YEARS.**

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/>.)

Statutory Revision Committee. House Bill 22-1301 enacted a property tax exemption for agricultural equipment that is used in any

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controlled environment agricultural facility. The Senate adopted an amendment to the bill that was intended, as described by the amendment sponsor when the Senate considered the amendment on second reading, to limit the exemption to 5 property tax years, specifically the 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027 property tax years. However, the amendment, and the bill as subsequently enacted, stated that the exemption is available "prior to January 2, 2028," rather than "prior to January 1, 2028,". Because the assessment date on which the status of property as taxable or tax-exempt is determined is January 1 of each property tax year, the exemption will also be allowed for the 2028 property tax year if the defective date reference is not corrected. The bill corrects the defective date reference by changing it from "January 2, 2028," to "January 1, 2028,".

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-3-122, **amend** (2)
3 as follows:

4 **39-3-122. Agricultural equipment used in production of**
5 **agricultural products - CEA facilities - exemption.** (2) On and after
6 January 1, 2023, but prior to ~~January 2, 2028~~ JANUARY 1, 2028,
7 agricultural equipment that is used in any CEA facility is exempt from the
8 levy and collection of property tax.

9 **SECTION 2. 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; except
12 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
13 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
14 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
15 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
16 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
17 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.