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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING MECHANISMS TO REFUND EXCESS STATE <u>REVENUES</u>, AND,

102 IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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 <u>http://leg.colorado.gov.</u>)

If the state exceeds its constitutional fiscal year spending limit, it is required by the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) to refund the excess state revenues (TABOR refunds). There are currently 2 active mechanisms for TABOR refunds, which occur in the following order of priority:

• First, a reimbursement paid to counties for allocation to

local governments to offset the reduction in property taxes resulting from property tax exemptions for qualifying seniors, veterans with disabilities, and spouses of veterans who died in the line of duty or as a result of a service-related injury or disease (homestead exemptions); and

• Last, a sales tax refund for individual taxpayers, the amount of which is either an identical flat refund amount or based on 6 tiers of income.

Another refund mechanism exists in current law but is not active. That mechanism is a temporary reduction in the state individual income tax rate from 4.63% to 4.5%. Because the current state individual income tax rate is 4.4%, however, this temporary rate reduction refund mechanism is not able to be triggered by any excess state revenues.

The bill affects the existing TABOR refund mechanisms and creates a fourth TABOR refund mechanism; except that the homestead exemptions are not affected.

Under the current sales tax refund mechanism, all qualified individuals receive an identical refund amount if the identical refund amount is less than or equal to \$15 dollars, but if the identical refund amount would be above \$15 dollars, the excess state revenues are instead refunded through a 6-tier refund mechanism based on the qualified individual's adjusted gross income. The bill increases the identical refund amount above which the 6-tier mechanism is triggered and ties this identical refund threshold to internal revenue service calculations of sales tax paid in the state. The 6-tiered income classifications of the sales tax refund are not changed. The bill clarifies that if, by September 1 of any year, the executive director of the department of revenue has not received advice from the internal revenue service that an identical refund is regarded as a refund of sales tax and not as an accession to wealth, no identical refund is allowed and all excess state revenues are refunded through the 6-tier mechanism. The sales tax refund mechanism is addressed in sections 3 through 8 of the bill.

The temporary income tax rate reduction is reactivated for income tax years 2025 through 2035. To refund excess state revenues from fiscal year 2023-24, the income tax rate for income tax year 2024 is temporarily reduced from 4.40% to 4.25%. After that year, if the amount of excess state revenues exceeds the projected total amount of TABOR refunds issued as reimbursement to counties for the homestead exemptions, then the state individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by the following percentages according to the total amount of excess state revenues remaining after the reimbursement is paid (remaining excess state revenues):

• If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$300 million but less than or equal to \$500 million, the

individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.04%;

- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$500 million but less than or equal to \$600 million, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.07%;
- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$600 million but less than or equal to \$700 million, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.09%;
- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$700 million but less than or equal to \$800 million, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.11%;
- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$800 million but less than or equal to \$1 billion, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.12%;
- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$1 billion but less than or equal to \$1.5 billion, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.13%; and
- If the remaining excess state revenues are above \$1.5 billion, the individual income tax rate is temporarily reduced by 0.15%.

The individual income tax rate reduction refund mechanism is set to repeal on July 1, 2035. The income tax rate reduction refund mechanism is addressed in **sections 1 and 2**.

The bill also establishes a fourth TABOR refund mechanism for remaining excess state revenues for fiscal years starting on July 1, 2024, but before July 1, 2034. Under this mechanism, if the amount of remaining excess state revenues is equal to or greater than \$1.5 billion and exceeds the projected total amount of TABOR refunds issued as reimbursement to counties for the homestead exemptions and through the temporary income tax rate reduction, then the state sales and use tax rates are temporarily reduced by 0.13%. The state sales and use tax rate reduction refund mechanism is set to repeal on July 1, 2035. The sales and use tax rate reduction refund mechanism is addressed in **sections 9 through 15**.

Whether the TABOR refund mechanisms are triggered and, if so, how many of the mechanisms are triggered depends on the amount of remaining excess state revenues as follows:

- If remaining excess state revenues are less than or equal to \$300 million, TABOR refunds are distributed only through the tiered or flat sales tax refund mechanism;
- If remaining excess state revenues are greater than \$300 million but less than or equal to \$1.5 billion, TABOR

refunds are distributed first through the income tax rate reduction and then through the tiered or flat sales tax refund mechanism; and

• If remaining excess state revenues are greater than \$1.5 billion, TABOR refunds are distributed first through the income tax rate reduction, next through the sales and use tax rate reduction, and finally through the tiered or flat sales tax refund mechanism.

If there are not sufficient excess state revenues to pay the full amount of an income tax rate reduction refund mechanism or the sales and use tax rate reduction TABOR refund mechanism, then the affected refund mechanism is not triggered.

The bill also repeals statutory sections related to TABOR refund mechanisms that are no longer applicable, including the 4-tier sales tax refund mechanism to refund excess revenues from fiscal year 1997-98, and makes conforming amendments.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-627, amend
3	(1), (2), (3), and (6); repeal (5)(d); and add (10) and (11) as follows:
4	39-22-627. Temporary adjustment of rate of income tax -
5	refund of excess state revenues - authority of executive director -
6	definition - repeal. (1) (a) Subject to the provisions of this section, if, for
7	any state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2010 JULY 1, 2024,
8	BUT BEFORE JULY 1, 2034, the amount of state revenues in excess of the
9	limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by section 20 (7)(a) of
10	article X of the state constitution that are required to be refunded for such
11	state fiscal year exceeds the amount specified in paragraph (b) of this
12	subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION, the executive director
13	shall temporarily reduce the state income tax rate for the income tax year
14	commencing during the calendar year in which the state fiscal year ended
15	from four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent ITS CURRENT
16	PERCENTAGE of the federal taxable income of every individual, estate,

1 trust, and corporation, as specified in sections 39-22-104 (1.7) and 2 39-22-301 (1)(d)(I)(I), to four and one-half percent of the federal taxable 3 income of every individual, estate, trust, and corporation 39-22-301 4 (1)(d)(I), AS A METHOD to refund excess state revenues that are required 5 to be refunded pursuant to section 20 (7)(d) of article X of the state 6 constitution. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b)(II) 7 OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE INCOME TAX RATE FOR THE INCOME TAX 8 YEAR COMMENCING DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE STATE 9 FISCAL YEAR ENDED IS REDUCED, DEPENDING ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF 10 EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR A SPECIFIED 11 STATE FISCAL YEAR PURSUANT TO SECTION 20(7)(d) of article X of the 12 STATE CONSTITUTION AS DETERMINED BY THE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF 13 EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED BY SECTION 24-77-106.5 THAT 14 EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE REVENUES LESS THE AMOUNT OF 15 REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, BY AN APPLICABLE 16 AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION, SUBJECT TO 17 <u>THE</u> ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS 18 SECTION.

(I) (A) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS
GREATER THAN THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR
EQUAL TO FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS
REDUCED BY FOUR ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

(B) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
THAN FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SIX
HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY SEVEN
ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

27 (C) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER

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THAN SIX HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SEVEN
 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY NINE
 ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

4 (D) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
5 THAN SEVEN HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO
6 EIGHT HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY
7 ELEVEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

8 (E) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
9 THAN EIGHT HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO
10 ONE BILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY TWELVE
11 ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

12 (F) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
13 THAN ONE BILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO ONE BILLION
14 FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY
15 THIRTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT; AND

16 (G) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
17 THAN ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX
18 RATE IS REDUCED BY FIFTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT.

(II) FOR EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY
1, 2025, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ANNUALLY ADJUST THE EXCESS
STATE REVENUE AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS
SECTION BY A PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF ALLOWABLE
INCREASE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING CALCULATED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 24-77-103 (2)(a)(I) FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE
EXCESS STATE REVENUE MUST BE REFUNDED.

(b) (I) In order for The provisions of subsection (1)(a) of this
section to take effect ONLY IF the amount of EXCESS state revenues

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1 required to be refunded for the specified state fiscal year, must exceed AS 2 OUTLINED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION, EXCEEDS the total of 3 the amount of reimbursement for property tax revenues lost as a result of 4 the property tax exemptions allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 5 paid by the state treasurer to each county treasurer as required by section 6 <u>39-3-207 (4) for the property tax year that commenced during the</u> 7 specified state fiscal year plus the estimated amount by which state 8 revenues would be decreased as the result of a THE APPLICABLE reduction 9 in the state income tax rate. from four and sixty-three one-hundredths 10 percent to four and one-half percent of federal taxable income, as 11 determined pursuant to this section

12 (II) FOR ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 13 1, 2025, IF THE PERMANENT STATE INCOME TAX RATE THEN IN EFFECT IS 14 FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT OR LESS OF THE 15 FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, TRUST, AND 16 CORPORATION, ANY OTHERWISE APPLICABLE TEMPORARY INCOME TAX 17 RATE REDUCTION OUTLINED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION DOES 18 NOT TAKE EFFECT; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE 19 REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IS 20 EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN TWO BILLION DOLLARS, THE EXECUTIVE 21 DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE THE STATE INCOME TAX RATE TO 22 THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO REFUND ALL EXCESS STATE REVENUES THAT 23 WOULD NOT OTHERWISE BE REFUNDED BY ANOTHER METHOD ESTABLISHED 24 BY LAW OTHER THAN THE METHODS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 39-22-2002 25 AND 39-22-2003.

26 (c) FOR THE INCOME TAX YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2024,
27 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE THE STATE

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1 INCOME TAX RATE FROM FOUR AND FORTY ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT OF 2 THE FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, TRUST, 3 AND CORPORATION, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTIONS 39-22-104 (1.7) AND 4 39-22-301 (1)(d)(I), TO FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE ONE-HUNDREDTHS 5 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, 6 ESTATE, TRUST, AND CORPORATION, AS A METHOD TO REFUND EXCESS 7 STATE REVENUES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED PURSUANT TO 8 SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION FOR STATE 9 FISCAL YEAR 2023-24.

10 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, 11 no later than October 1, 2011, OCTOBER 1, 2024, and no later than each 12 October 1 thereafter of any calendar year during which it is certified in 13 accordance with the provisions of section 24-77-106.5, C.R.S. that state 14 revenues exceed the limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by 15 section 20 (7)(a) of article X of the state constitution for the state fiscal 16 year ending in that calendar year and exceed any amount that the voters 17 statewide have authorized the state to retain and spend for the state fiscal 18 year ending in that calendar year, the executive director shall estimate the 19 amount by which state revenues would be decreased as the result of a20 reduction THE APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE REDUCTION LISTED IN 21 SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I), (1)(b)(II), OR (1)(c) of this section in the state 22 income tax rate from four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four 23 and one-half percent of federal taxable income for the income tax year 24 commencing during the calendar year in which the state fiscal year ended.

(3) If one or more ballot questions are submitted to the voters at
a statewide election to be held in November of any given calendar year
that seek authorization for the state to retain and spend all or any portion

1 of the amount of excess state revenues for the state fiscal year ending 2 during said calendar year, the executive director shall not reduce the state 3 income tax rate until the results of said election are known so that the 4 state income tax rate may be reduced only if, after the results of said 5 election, the amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded for 6 the state fiscal year exceeds the total of the amount of reimbursement for 7 property tax revenues lost as a result of the property tax exemptions 8 allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 paid by the state treasurer to 9 each county treasurer as required by section 39-3-207 (4) for the property 10 tax year that commenced during the specified state fiscal year plus the 11 estimated amount by which state revenues would be decreased as a result 12 of a THE APPLICABLE reduction in the state income tax rate from four and 13 sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four and one-half percent of federal 14 taxable income pursuant to this section.

(5) (d) Any income tax rate adjustment made pursuant to the
 provisions of this section shall be made by rules promulgated by the
 executive director in accordance with article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

18 (6) If, based on the financial report prepared by the controller in 19 accordance with section 24-77-106.5, the controller certifies that the 20 amount of the state revenues for any state fiscal year commencing on or 21 after July 1, 2017, exceeds the limitation on state fiscal year spending 22 imposed by section 20 (7)(a) of article X of the state constitution for that 23 state fiscal year and exceeds the amount of excess state revenues that the 24 voters statewide have authorized the state to retain and spend for that 25 state fiscal year by less than the total of the amount of reimbursement for 26 property tax revenues lost as a result of the property tax exemptions 27 allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 paid by the state treasurer to

1 each county treasurer as required by section 39-3-207 (4) for the property 2 tax year that commenced during the specified state fiscal year plus the 3 estimated amount by which state revenues would be decreased as the 4 result of a THE APPLICABLE reduction in the state income tax rate from 5 four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four and one-half percent 6 of federal taxable income as calculated by the executive director pursuant 7 to subsection (2) of this section, then the reduction in the state income tax 8 rate allowed pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall IS not be 9 allowed for the income tax year commencing during the calendar year in 10 which the state fiscal year ended. 11 (10) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE 12 **REQUIRES:** 13 (a) "EXCESS STATE REVENUES" MEANS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE 14 STATE REVENUES FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE 15 LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 16 (7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION THAT VOTERS 17 STATEWIDE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND AND 18 THAT THE STATE IS REQUIRED TO REFUND UNDER SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF 19 ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDING ANY ADJUSTMENT 20 FOR AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 OR 24-77-103.8. 21 (b) "REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS" MEANS 22 THE AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX REVENUES LOST AS 23 A RESULT OF THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED BY PART 2 OF 24 ARTICLE 3 OF THIS TITLE 39 PAID BY THE STATE TREASURER TO EACH 25 COUNTY TREASURER AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 39-3-207 (4) FOR THE 26 PROPERTY TAX YEAR THAT COMMENCED DURING THE SPECIFIED STATE

27 <u>FISCAL YEAR.</u>

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(11) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2035.

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2 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-627, amend 3 (1), (2), (3), and (6); **repeal** (5)(d); and **add** (10) and (11) as follows: 4 39-22-627. Temporary adjustment of rate of income tax -5 refund of excess state revenues - authority of executive director -6 **definition - repeal.** (1) (a) Subject to the provisions of this section, if, for 7 any state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2010 JULY 1, 2024, 8 BUT BEFORE JULY 1, 2034, the amount of state revenues in excess of the 9 limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by section 20 (7)(a) of 10 article X of the state constitution that are required to be refunded for such 11 state fiscal year exceeds the amount specified in paragraph (b) of this 12 subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION, the executive director 13 shall temporarily reduce the state income tax rate for the income tax year 14 commencing during the calendar year in which the state fiscal year ended 15 from four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent ITS CURRENT 16 PERCENTAGE of the federal taxable income of every individual, estate, 17 trust, and corporation, as specified in sections 39-22-104 (1.7) and 18 39-22-301 (1)(d)(I)(I), to four and one-half percent of the federal taxable 19 income of every individual, estate, trust, and corporation 39-22-301 20 (1)(d)(I), AS A METHOD to refund excess state revenues that are required 21 to be refunded pursuant to section 20 (7)(d) of article X of the state 22 constitution. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b)(II) 23 OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE INCOME TAX RATE FOR THE INCOME TAX 24 YEAR COMMENCING DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE STATE 25 FISCAL YEAR ENDED IS REDUCED, DEPENDING ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF 26 EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR A SPECIFIED 27 STATE FISCAL YEAR PURSUANT TO SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE

STATE CONSTITUTION AS DETERMINED BY THE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF
 EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED BY SECTION 24-77-106.5 THAT
 <u>EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE REVENUES LESS THE AMOUNT OF</u>
 <u>REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, BY AN APPLICABLE</u>
 <u>AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION, SUBJECT TO</u>
 <u>THE</u> ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OF THIS
 SECTION.

8 (I) (A) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS 9 GREATER THAN THREE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR 10 EQUAL TO FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS 11 REDUCED BY FOUR ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

12 (B) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
13 THAN FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SIX
14 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY SEVEN
15 ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

16 (C) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
17 THAN SIX HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO SEVEN
18 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY NINE
19 ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

(D) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
THAN SEVEN HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO
EIGHT HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY
ELEVEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

(E) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
THAN EIGHT HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO
ONE BILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY TWELVE
ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT;

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(F) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
 THAN ONE BILLION DOLLARS BUT LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO ONE BILLION
 FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX RATE IS REDUCED BY
 THIRTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT; AND

5 (G) IF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH EXCESS STATE REVENUES IS GREATER
6 THAN ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE INCOME TAX
7 RATE IS REDUCED BY FIFTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT.

8 (II) FOR EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 9 1,2025, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ANNUALLY ADJUST THE EXCESS 10 STATE REVENUE AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS 11 SECTION BY A PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF ALLOWABLE 12 INCREASE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING CALCULATED PURSUANT TO 13 SECTION 24-77-103 (2)(a)(I) FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE 14 EXCESS STATE REVENUE MUST BE REFUNDED.

15 (b) (I) In order for The provisions of subsection (1)(a) of this 16 section to take effect ONLY IF the amount of EXCESS state revenues 17 required to be refunded for the specified state fiscal year, must exceed AS 18 OUTLINED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION, EXCEEDS the total of 19 the amount of reimbursement for property tax revenues lost as a result of 20 the property tax exemptions allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 21 paid by the state treasurer to each county treasurer as required by section 22 39-3-207 (4) for the property tax year that commenced during the 23 specified state fiscal year plus the estimated amount by which state 24 revenues would be decreased as the result of a THE APPLICABLE reduction 25 in the state income tax rate. from four and sixty-three one-hundredths 26 percent to four and one-half percent of federal taxable income, as 27 determined pursuant to this section

1 (II) FOR ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 2 1, 2025, IF THE PERMANENT STATE INCOME TAX RATE THEN IN EFFECT IS 3 FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT OR LESS OF THE 4 FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, TRUST, AND 5 CORPORATION, ANY OTHERWISE APPLICABLE TEMPORARY INCOME TAX 6 RATE REDUCTION OUTLINED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION DOES 7 NOT TAKE EFFECT; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE 8 REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IS 9 EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN TWO BILLION DOLLARS, THE EXECUTIVE 10 DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE THE STATE INCOME TAX RATE TO 11 THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO REFUND ALL EXCESS STATE REVENUES THAT 12 WOULD NOT OTHERWISE BE REFUNDED BY ANOTHER METHOD ESTABLISHED 13 BY LAW OTHER THAN THE METHODS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 39-22-2002 14 AND 39-22-2003.

15 (c) FOR THE INCOME TAX YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2024, 16 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE THE STATE 17 INCOME TAX RATE FROM FOUR AND FORTY ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT OF 18 THE FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, TRUST, 19 AND CORPORATION, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTIONS 39-22-104 (1.7) AND 20 39-22-301 (1)(d)(I), TO FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE ONE-HUNDREDTHS 21 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, 22 ESTATE, TRUST, AND CORPORATION, AS A METHOD TO REFUND EXCESS 23 STATE REVENUES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED PURSUANT TO 24 SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION FOR STATE 25 FISCAL YEAR 2023-24.

26 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section,
27 no later than October 1, 2011, OCTOBER 1, 2024, and no later than each

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1 October 1 thereafter of any calendar year during which it is certified in 2 accordance with the provisions of section 24-77-106.5, C.R.S. that state 3 revenues exceed the limitation on state fiscal year spending imposed by 4 section 20 (7)(a) of article X of the state constitution for the state fiscal 5 year ending in that calendar year and exceed any amount that the voters 6 statewide have authorized the state to retain and spend for the state fiscal 7 year ending in that calendar year, the executive director shall estimate the 8 amount by which state revenues would be decreased as the result of a9 reduction THE APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE REDUCTION LISTED IN 10 SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I), (1)(b)(II), OR (1)(c) of this section in the state 11 income tax rate from four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four 12 and one-half percent of federal taxable income for the income tax year 13 commencing during the calendar year in which the state fiscal year ended.

14 (3) If one or more ballot questions are submitted to the voters at 15 a statewide election to be held in November of any given calendar year 16 that seek authorization for the state to retain and spend all or any portion 17 of the amount of excess state revenues for the state fiscal year ending 18 during said calendar year, the executive director shall not reduce the state 19 income tax rate until the results of said election are known so that the 20 state income tax rate may be reduced only if, after the results of said 21 election, the amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded for 22 the state fiscal year exceeds the total of the amount of reimbursement for 23 property tax revenues lost as a result of the property tax exemptions 24 <u>allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 paid by the state treasurer to</u> 25 each county treasurer as required by section 39-3-207 (4) for the property 26 tax year that commenced during the specified state fiscal year plus the 27 estimated amount by which state revenues would be decreased as a result 1 of a THE APPLICABLE reduction in the state income tax rate from four and 2 sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four and one-half percent of federal 3 taxable income pursuant to this section.

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(5) (d) Any income tax rate adjustment made pursuant to the 5 provisions of this section shall be made by rules promulgated by the 6 executive director in accordance with article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

7 (6) If, based on the financial report prepared by the controller in 8 accordance with section 24-77-106.5, the controller certifies that the 9 amount of the state revenues for any state fiscal year commencing on or 10 after July 1, 2017, exceeds the limitation on state fiscal year spending 11 imposed by section 20(7)(a) of article X of the state constitution for that 12 state fiscal year and exceeds the amount of excess state revenues that the 13 voters statewide have authorized the state to retain and spend for that 14 state fiscal year by less than the total of the amount of reimbursement for 15 property tax revenues lost as a result of the property tax exemptions 16 allowed by part 2 of article 3 of this title 39 paid by the state treasurer to 17 each county treasurer as required by section 39-3-207 (4) for the property 18 tax year that commenced during the specified state fiscal year plus the 19 estimated amount by which state revenues would be decreased as the 20 result of a THE APPLICABLE reduction in the state income tax rate from 21 four and sixty-three one-hundredths percent to four and one-half percent 22 of federal taxable income as calculated by the executive director pursuant 23 to subsection (2) of this section, then the reduction in the state income tax 24 rate allowed pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall IS not be 25 allowed for the income tax year commencing during the calendar year in 26 which the state fiscal year ended.

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(10) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE

1 <u>REQUIRES:</u>

2 (a) "EXCESS STATE REVENUES" MEANS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE 3 STATE REVENUES FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE 4 LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 5 (7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION THAT VOTERS 6 STATEWIDE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND AND 7 THAT THE STATE IS REQUIRED TO REFUND UNDER SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF 8 ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDING ANY ADJUSTMENT 9 FOR AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 OR 24-77-103.8. 10 (b) "REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS" MEANS 11 THE AMOUNT OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX REVENUES LOST AS 12 A RESULT OF BOTH THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED BY PART 2 13 OF ARTICLE 3 OF THIS TITLE 39 AND THE REDUCED VALUATION FOR 14 ASSESSMENT OF QUALIFIED-SENIOR PRIMARY RESIDENCE REAL PROPERTY 15 PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 39-1-104.2 AND 39-1-104.6 THAT IS PAID BY THE 16 STATE TREASURER TO EACH COUNTY TREASURER AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 17 <u>39-3-207 (4) OR 39-1-104.6 (9)(c) FOR THE PROPERTY TAX YEAR THAT</u> 18 COMMENCED DURING THE SPECIFIED STATE FISCAL YEAR. 19 (11) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2035. 20 SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-2002, amend 21 (1), (2), (3) introductory portion, (4), (5)(b), and (5)(c); repeal (3)(a), 22 (3)(b), and (7); and **add** (3.5) as follows: 23 **39-22-2002.** Fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 1998 24 - state sales tax refund - authority of executive director - repeal. 25 (1) If, for any state fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 1998, the 26 amount of state revenues exceeds the limitation on state fiscal year 27 spending imposed by section 20 (7)(a) of article X of the state

1 constitution and voters statewide either have not authorized the state to 2 retain and spend all of the excess revenues for that fiscal year or have 3 authorized the state to retain and spend only a portion of the excess 4 revenues for that fiscal year, the executive director shall, if the amount of 5 the identical individual refund calculated pursuant to paragraph (a) of 6 subsection (2) SUBSECTION (2)(a) of this section exceeds fifteen dollars 7 THE IDENTICAL REFUND THRESHOLD, for the taxable year commencing on 8 or after January 1 of the calendar year in which that fiscal year ended, but 9 prior to January 1 of the subsequent calendar year, calculate a temporary 10 state sales tax refund in accordance with the provisions of this section to 11 refund the amount of excess state revenues. that is not refunded by 12 another method established by law

13 (2) (a) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (7) 14 of this section, as applicable, For the taxable year commencing on or after 15 January 1 of the calendar year in which that fiscal year ended, but prior 16 to January 1 of the subsequent calendar year, the executive director shall 17 divide the total amount of excess state revenues that is not refunded by 18 another method established by law and is required to be refunded by the 19 number of qualified individuals expected to claim a refund in order to determine the amount of the refund that each such qualified individual 20 21 would receive if each individual received an identical refund.

(b) If the amount of the identical individual refund calculated
pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (2) SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS
SECTION is less than or equal to fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL REFUND
THRESHOLD, the executive director shall allow each qualified individual
an identical refund in the manner set forth in section 39-22-2003 (3)(a)
and (3)(b); EXCEPT THAT, IF BY SEPTEMBER 1 OF ANY CALENDAR YEAR,

1 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAS NOT RECEIVED ADVICE FROM THE
2 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE THAT AN IDENTICAL REFUND IS REGARDED AS
3 A REFUND OF SALES TAX AND NOT AS AN ACCESSION TO WEALTH, NO
4 IDENTICAL REFUND IS ALLOWED AND ALL EXCESS STATE REVENUES TO BE
5 REFUNDED PURSUANT TO THIS PART 20 MUST BE REFUNDED BY INCOME
6 CLASSIFICATION IN THE MANNER SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-22-2003 (3)(c)
7 AND (3)(d).

8 (3) As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, 9 "excess state revenues" means the total combined amount of THE STATE 10 REVENUES FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATION ON 11 STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 (7)(a) OF ARTICLE 12 X of the state constitution, that voters statewide have not 13 AUTHORIZED THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND, THAT THE STATE IS 14 REQUIRED TO REFUND UNDER SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE 15 STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDING ANY ADJUSTMENT FOR AMOUNTS 16 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 OR 24-77-103.8, AND THAT ARE NOT 17 REFUNDED BY ANOTHER METHOD ESTABLISHED BY LAW.

(a) Excess revenues that voters statewide have not authorized the
 state to retain and spend and that are required to be refunded pursuant to
 section 20 (7)(d) of article X of the state constitution and that are not
 refunded by another method established by law for said fiscal year ending
 in that calendar year;

(b) Excess revenues that voters statewide did not authorize the
state to retain and spend and were required to be refunded pursuant to
section 20 (7)(d) of article X of the state constitution for any other fiscal
year and that were not refunded by another method established by law
prior to said fiscal year, but that were not refunded by the state as

1 required; and

2 (3.5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
3 REQUIRES, "IDENTICAL REFUND THRESHOLD" MEANS THE LOWEST AMOUNT
4 LISTED FOR COLORADO IN THE MOST RECENT TABLE PRESCRIBED
5 PURSUANT TO SECTION 164 (b)(5)(H)(ii) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

6 No later than October 1 of any given calendar year (4) 7 commencing on or after January 1, 1999, during which the controller 8 certifies, in accordance with the provisions of section 24-77-106.5, C.R.S. 9 that state revenues exceed the limitation on state fiscal year spending 10 imposed by section 20 (7)(a) of article X of the state constitution for the 11 fiscal year ending in that calendar year, the executive director shall, if the 12 amount of the identical individual refund calculated pursuant to 13 subsection (2) of this section exceeds fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL 14 REFUND THRESHOLD, calculate the income classifications and the amount 15 of the refund allowed for each income classification pursuant to section 16 39-22-2003 (3) for the taxable year commencing during said fiscal year 17 that would refund the amount of excess state revenues that is not refunded 18 by another method established by law.

(5) If one or more ballot questions are submitted to the voters at
a statewide election to be held in November of any given calendar year
commencing on or after January 1, 1999, that seek authorization for the
state to retain and spend all or any portion of the amount of excess
revenues for the fiscal year ending during said calendar year, no later than
October 1 of said calendar year, the executive director shall, in addition
to the calculations required by subsection (4) of this section:

(b) If the amount of any identical refund calculated pursuant to
 subparagraph (I) of paragraph (a) of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION

1 (5)(a)(I) OF THIS SECTION exceeds fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL REFUND 2 THRESHOLD, calculate income classifications and the amount of the 3 refund to be allowed for each income classification pursuant to section 4 39-22-2003 (3) for the taxable year commencing during said fiscal year 5 that would refund the amount of excess state revenues, if any, required to 6 be refunded if one or more of such ballot questions are approved by 7 voters statewide; and that is not refunded by another method established 8 by law

9 (c) If the amount of the identical refund calculated pursuant to 10 subparagraph (II) of paragraph (a) of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION 11 (5)(a)(II) OF THIS SECTION exceeds fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL REFUND 12 THRESHOLD, calculate income classifications and the amount of the 13 refund to be allowed for each income classification pursuant to section 14 39-22-2003 (3) for the taxable year commencing during said fiscal year 15 that would refund the amount of excess state revenues, if any, required to 16 be refunded if all of such ballot questions are not approved by voters 17 statewide. and that is not refunded by another method established by law 18 (7) (a) The amount of any sales tax refund calculated pursuant to 19 the provisions of this section shall be published in rules promulgated by 20 the executive director in accordance with article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., and

21 shall be included in income tax forms for that taxable year.

(b) If one or more ballot questions are submitted to the voters at
a statewide election to be held in November of any calendar year
commencing on or after January 1, 1999, that seek authorization for the
state to retain and spend all or any portion of the amounts of excess state
revenues for the fiscal year ending during said calendar year, the
executive director shall not publish rules or income tax forms containing

any sales tax refund calculated pursuant to this section until such rules
 and forms may be published to reflect the impact of the results of said
 election on the amount of the refund to be allowed pursuant to section
 39-22-2003 and that is not refunded by another method established by
 law.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-2003, amend
(1)(b)(I), (2), (3), (5)(a)(I), (5)(b), and (5)(c); and repeal (1)(b)(II),
(1)(b)(III), (5)(a)(II), (8), (9), and (10); and add (1.7) and (9.5) as
follows:

39-22-2003. State sales tax refund - offset against state income
 tax - qualified individuals - definitions. (1) (b) "Qualified individual"
 does not include:

13 (I) Any natural person who was convicted of a felony and who 14 served a sentence of incarceration in a correctional facility operated by or 15 under contract with the department of corrections or in a county or 16 municipal jail awaiting transfer to the department of corrections pursuant 17 to section 16-11-308, C.R.S., or in both such facility and jail THE 18 FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS for a total of one hundred eighty days or 19 more during the fiscal year ending during the taxable year, regardless of 20 whether such person meets the qualifications set forth in paragraph (a) of 21 this subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

(II) Any natural person who is convicted of a misdemeanor or is
adjudicated for an offense that would constitute a misdemeanor if
committed by an adult and who is incarcerated in a county or municipal
jail for a total of one hundred eighty days or more during the fiscal year
ending during the taxable year, regardless of whether such person meets
the qualifications set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection (1);

1 (III) Any natural person under eighteen years of age who is 2 adjudicated for an offense that would constitute a felony if committed by 3 an adult and who was committed to the department of human services for 4 a total of one hundred eighty days or more during the fiscal year ending 5 during the taxable year, regardless of whether such person meets the 6 qualifications set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection (1).

7 (1.7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
8 REQUIRES:

9 (a) "Excess state revenues" has the same meaning as set
10 Forth in section 39-22-2002 (3).

(b) "IDENTICAL REFUND THRESHOLD" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS
SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-22-2002 (3.5).

13 (2) With respect to the taxable year commencing on January 1, 14 1999, and ending December 31, 1999, and for each subsequent taxable 15 year, there shall be IS allowed to each qualified individual a state sales tax 16 refund in an amount specified in subsection (3) of this section to be 17 claimed in the manner specified in subsection (4) of this section if there 18 were excess state revenues for the fiscal year ending in that tax year. that 19 voters statewide have not authorized the state to retain and spend and that 20 are required to be refunded pursuant to section 20 (7)(d) of article X of 21 the state constitution.

22 (3) The amount of the refund allowed under this section shall be
23 IS as follows:

(a) For a qualified individual filing a single return OR FOR A
QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
IS NOT QUALIFIED, the amount of the identical individual sales tax refund
calculated pursuant to section 39-22-2002 (2) or (5)(a) if the amount of

such identical individual refund is less than or equal to fifteen dollars THE
 IDENTICAL REFUND THRESHOLD;

3 (b) For any two qualified individuals filing a joint return, double
4 the amount of the identical individual sales tax refund calculated pursuant
5 to section 39-22-2002 (2) or (5)(a) if the amount of such identical
6 individual refund is less than or equal to fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL
7 REFUND THRESHOLD;

8 (c) For a qualified individual filing a single return OR FOR A 9 QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FILING A JOINT RETURN WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO 10 IS NOT QUALIFIED, if the amount of the identical individual sales tax 11 refund calculated pursuant to section 39-22-2002 (2) or (5)(a) exceeds 12 fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL REFUND THRESHOLD:

(I) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax
year is less than or equal to twenty-five thousand dollars, the refund shall
be in IS an amount equal to the amount of excess state revenues required
to be refunded pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, multiplied by
twenty-five percent, divided by the estimated number of said qualified
individuals expected to claim the credit for that taxable year;

(II) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax year is greater than twenty-five thousand dollars but not more than fifty thousand dollars, the refund shall be in IS an amount equal to the amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, multiplied by twenty-three percent, divided by the estimated number of said qualified individuals expected to claim the credit for that taxable year;

26 (III) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax
27 year is greater than fifty thousand dollars but not more than seventy-five

thousand dollars, the refund shall be in IS an amount equal to the amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, multiplied by nineteen percent, divided by the estimated number of said qualified individuals expected to claim the credit for that taxable year;

6 (IV) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax 7 year is greater than seventy-five thousand dollars but not more than one 8 hundred thousand dollars, the refund shall be in IS an amount equal to the 9 amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded pursuant to 10 subsection (1) of this section, multiplied by twelve percent, divided by the 11 estimated number of said qualified individuals expected to claim the 12 credit for that taxable year;

13 (V) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax 14 year is greater than one hundred thousand dollars but not more than one 15 hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, the refund shall be in IS an amount 16 equal to the amount of excess state revenues required to be refunded 17 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, multiplied by six percent, 18 divided by the estimated number of said qualified individuals expected to 19 claim the credit for that taxable year;

(VI) If the qualified individual's adjusted gross income for the tax
year is greater than one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, the refund
shall be in IS an amount equal to the amount of excess state revenues
required to be refunded pursuant to subsection (1) of this section,
multiplied by fifteen percent, divided by the estimated number of said
qualified individuals expected to claim the credit for that taxable year;

26 (d) For two qualified individuals filing a joint return, if the27 amount of the identical individual sales tax refund calculated pursuant to

section 39-22-2002 (2) or (5)(a) exceeds fifteen dollars THE IDENTICAL
 REFUND THRESHOLD, the amount of the refund shall be IS based upon the
 aggregate adjusted gross income of the qualified individuals and shall be
 IS an amount equal to double the amount of the refund allowed under
 paragraph (c) of this subsection (3) for such aggregate income amount.

6 (5) (a) (I) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (II) of 7 this paragraph (a), any refund allowed pursuant to this section shall be 8 claimed by A qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (I) or (III) 9 of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I) OR (1)(a)(III) of 10 this section MAY CLAIM A REFUND ALLOWED BY THIS SECTION by timely 11 filing an income tax return with the department of revenue for a taxable 12 year for which the refund is allowed NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15 OF THE 13 CALENDAR YEAR FOLLOWING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH THE REFUND 14 IS BEING CLAIMED, in compliance with the provisions of this article 15 ARTICLE 22.

16 (II) Any refund allowed pursuant to this section shall be claimed 17 by a qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (I) or (III) of 18 paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section or by a qualified individual 19 that is required to file a Colorado individual income tax return for that tax 20 year pursuant to section 39-22-601 (1)(a) who is granted an extension of 21 time to file an income tax return by filing an income tax return with the 22 department of revenue no later than October 15 of the calendar year 23 following the taxable year for which the refund is being claimed. Such 24 qualified individual shall not be required to pay all or any portion of the 25 qualified individual's net tax liability due prior to October 15 of said 26 calendar year in order to be granted an extension of time to file said tax 27 return; except that, pursuant to section 39-22-621, such qualified individual may be subject to a late payment penalty and interest on any
 net income tax liability not paid by April 15 of said calendar year.

3 Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (II) of (b)4 paragraph (a) of this subsection (5), any refund allowed pursuant to this 5 section shall be claimed by A qualified individual as defined in 6 subparagraph (II) or (IV) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) SUBSECTION 7 (1)(a)(II) OR (1)(a)(IV) of this section MAY CLAIM A REFUND ALLOWED BY 8 THIS SECTION by filing an income tax return for the taxable year for which 9 the refund is allowed with the department of revenue no later than April 10 15 OCTOBER 15 of the calendar year following the tax year for which the 11 refund is being claimed. The department of revenue shall not allow said 12 refund claimed by a qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (II) 13 or (IV) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section on any income 14 tax return filed with the department of revenue after April 15 of the 15 calendar year following the tax year for which the refund is being claimed. 16

17 (c) (I) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (b) of this 18 subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION to the contrary, a 19 qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (II) or (IV) of paragraph 20 (a) of subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a)(II) OR (1)(a)(IV) of this section 21 who claims a property tax assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-101 22 or a heat or fuel expenses assistance grant pursuant to section 39-31-104 23 may claim a refund authorized by this section on the assistance grant 24 application form described in section 39-31-102 (2). Claiming a refund on such assistance grant application form shall be IS in lieu of claiming 25 26 the refund on an income tax return pursuant to paragraph (b) of this 27 subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION. Any refund claimed

pursuant to this paragraph (c) SUBSECTION (5)(c) shall MUST be claimed
 on or before April 15 OCTOBER 15 of the calendar year following the tax
 year for which the refund is being claimed.

- 4 (II) The department of revenue shall not allow a refund authorized
 5 by this section that is claimed on an assistance grant application form if:
 6 (A) The assistance grant application form is filed after April 15
 7 OCTOBER 15 of the calendar year following the tax year for which the
- 8 refund is being claimed; or
- 9 (B) The qualified individual has claimed the refund authorized by
 10 this section on an income tax form filed in accordance with paragraph (b)
 11 of this subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) OF THIS SECTION for the tax year
 12 for which the refund is allowed.
- 13 (8) The state sales tax refund allowed to any qualified individual
 14 under this section shall not be reported by the department of revenue as
 15 a payment of a refund, credit, or offset of state income taxes to such
 16 qualified individual in any information return required to be filed
 17 pursuant to federal law.
- 18 (9) (a) The department of revenue shall identify any qualified 19 individual who has been convicted of a felony and who, at the time of 20 filing for a refund pursuant to this section, is incarcerated in a correctional 21 facility operated by or under contract with the department of corrections 22 or in a county or municipal jail awaiting transfer to a correctional facility 23 pursuant to section 16-11-308. C.R.S. The department of revenue shall 24 transfer the amount of any refund owed to said qualified individual to the 25 department of corrections.
- 26 (b) The department of corrections shall transmit the amount of
 27 said refund as follows:

(I) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of this
 subsection (9), if the qualified individual is under a valid court order to
 pay restitution or costs and under a valid court order or administrative
 order to pay child support then:

5 (A) One-half of the refund to the clerk of the district court that
issued an order for payment of restitution entered pursuant to article 18.5
of title 16, C.R.S., or an order for costs pursuant to section 18-1.3-701,
C.R.S. Such refund shall be credited in the priority specified in section
16-11-101.6 (1), C.R.S.; and

(B) One-half of the refund to the department of human services
 for application toward the qualified individual's child support obligation
 for individuals receiving services pursuant to section 26-13-106, C.R.S.;
 or

(II) If the qualified individual is not under a valid court order or administrative order to pay child support but is under a valid court order to pay restitution or costs, then to the clerk of the district court that issued an order for payment of restitution entered pursuant to article 18.5 of title 16, C.R.S., or an order for costs pursuant to section 18-1.3-701, C.R.S., whereupon such refund shall be credited in the priority specified in section 16-11-101.6 (1), C.R.S.; or

(III) If the qualified individual is not under a valid court order to pay restitution or costs but is under a valid court order or administrative order to pay child support, then to the department of human services for application toward the qualified individual's child support obligation for individuals receiving services pursuant to section 26-13-106, C.R.S.; or (IV) If the qualified individual is not under a valid court order or administrative order to pay child support and is not under a valid court order to pay restitution or costs, then to the qualified individual subject
 to other applicable provisions of law.

3 (c) If a refund is transmitted in accordance with the provisions of
4 subparagraph (I), (II), or (III) of paragraph (b) of this subsection (9) and
5 results in excess refund moneys remaining after satisfaction of the
6 qualified individual's restitution or child support obligation, the excess
7 refund moneys shall be first applied toward any outstanding restitution
8 obligation or child support obligation of the qualified individual before
9 being returned to the qualified individual.

10 (9.5) The provisions of section 39-21-108 (3) Apply to the
11 Refund allowed pursuant to this part 20 in the same manner as
12 AN OVERPAYMENT OF TAX.

13 (10) The department of corrections, the department of human 14 services, and each county of the state, to the extent each such county has 15 the capability within existing resources, shall provide in a timely manner 16 the information requested by the department of revenue necessary to 17 identify the persons specified in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this 18 section and in subsection (9) of this section. The information shall be 19 provided in the form requested by the department of revenue. The 20 department of revenue shall maintain the confidentiality of any social 21 security number received pursuant to this subsection (10).

SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 39-22-120.
 SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-1-305, amend
 (1)(g) as follows:

19-1-305. Operation of juvenile facilities. (1) Except as
otherwise authorized by section 19-1-303 or 19-1-304 (8), all records
prepared or obtained by the department of human services in the course

of carrying out its duties pursuant to article 2.5 of this title 19 are
 confidential and privileged. The records may be disclosed only:

3 (g) To the department of revenue pursuant to sections 39-22-120
4 and SECTION 39-22-2003. C.R.S.

5 SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-21-108, amend
6 (3)(a)(I)(A) as follows:

7 **39-21-108.** Refunds. (3) (a) (I) (A) Whenever it is established 8 that any taxpayer has, for any period open under the statutes, overpaid a 9 tax covered by articles 22 and 26 to 29 of this title 39, article 60 of title 10 34, and article 3 of title 42 OR THAT ANY TAXPAYER IS ALLOWED A 11 REFUND PURSUANT TO PART 20 OF ARTICLE 22 OF THIS TITLE 39 and that: 12 There is an unpaid balance of tax and interest accrued, according to the 13 records of the executive director, owing by such taxpayer for any other 14 period; there is an amount required to be repaid to the unemployment 15 compensation fund pursuant to section 8-81-101 (4), the amount of which 16 has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency 17 determination or judicial decision or that has been reduced to judgment 18 by the division of unemployment insurance in the department of labor and 19 employment; there is any unpaid child support debt as set forth in section 20 14-14-104, or child support arrearages that are the subject of enforcement 21 services provided pursuant to section 26-13-106, as certified by the 22 department of human services; there are any unpaid obligations owing to 23 the state as set forth in section 26-2-133, for overpayment of public 24 assistance or medical assistance benefits, the amount of which has been 25 determined to be owing as a result of final agency determination or 26 judicial decision or that has been reduced to judgment, as certified by the 27 department of human services; there are any unpaid obligations owing to

1 the state as set forth in section 26.5-4-119, for overpayment of child care 2 assistance, the amount of which has been determined to be owing as a 3 result of final agency determination or judicial decision or that has been 4 reduced to judgment as certified by the department of early childhood; 5 there is any unpaid loan or other obligation due to a state-supported 6 institution of higher education as set forth in section 23-5-115, the 7 amount of which has been determined to be owing as a result of a final 8 agency determination or judicial decision or that has been reduced to 9 judgment, as certified by the appropriate institution; there is any unpaid 10 loan due to the student loan division of the department of higher 11 education as set forth in section 23-3.1-104(1)(p), the amount of which 12 has been determined to be owing as a result of a final agency 13 determination or judicial decision or that has been reduced to judgment, 14 as certified by the division; there is any unpaid loan due to the 15 collegeinvest division of the department of higher education as set forth 16 in section 23-3.1-206, the amount of which has been determined to be 17 owing as a result of a final agency determination or judicial decision or 18 that has been reduced to judgment; there is any outstanding judicial fine, 19 fee, cost, or surcharge as set forth in section 16-11-101.8, or judicial restitution as set forth in section 16-18.5-106.8, the amount of which has 20 21 been determined to be owing as a result of a final judicial department 22 determination or certified by the judicial department as a judgment owed 23 the state or a victim; OR there is any unpaid debt owing to the state or any 24 agency thereof by such taxpayer, and that is found to be owing as a result 25 of a final agency determination or the amount of which has been reduced 26 to judgment and as certified by the state agency, or the taxpayer is a 27 qualified individual identified pursuant to section 39-22-120 (10) or

1 39-22-2003 (9) so much of the overpayment of tax plus interest allowable 2 thereon as does not exceed the amount of such unpaid balance or unpaid 3 debt must be credited first to the unpaid balance of tax and interest 4 accrued and then to the unpaid debt, and any excess of the overpayment 5 must be refunded. If the taxpayer elects to designate his or her THE 6 TAXPAYER'S refund as a credit against a subsequent year's tax liability, the 7 amount allowed to be so credited must be reduced first by the unpaid 8 balance of tax and interest accrued and then by the unpaid debt. If the 9 taxpayer filed a joint return, the executive director shall notify the other 10 taxpayer named on the joint return that the portion of the overpayment 11 that is generated by the other taxpayer's income will be refunded upon 12 receipt of a request detailing said amount.

13 SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-21-113, repeal 14 (11) as follows:

15 **39-21-113.** Reports and returns - rule - repeal. 16 (11) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the executive 17 director of the department of revenue shall supply the department of 18 corrections with any information obtained pursuant to this section which 19 is necessary to implement the procedure to offset state sales tax refunds 20 against restitution and costs pursuant to section 39-22-120 (10) or 21 39-22-2003 (9).

SECTION 9. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-106, amend (1)(a)(II); and repeal (1)(a)(I) as follows:

39-26-106. Schedule of sales tax. (1) (a) (I) Except as otherwise
provided in subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (a), there is imposed upon
all sales of commodities and services specified in section 39-26-104 a tax
at the rate of three percent of the amount of the sale, to be computed in

accordance with schedules or systems approved by the executive director
 of the department of revenue. Said schedules or systems shall be designed
 so that no such tax is charged on any sale of seventeen cents or less.

4 (II) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION 39-26-901, on 5 and after January 1, 2001, there is imposed upon all sales of commodities 6 and services specified in section 39-26-104 a tax at the rate of two and 7 ninety one-hundredths percent of the amount of the sale to be computed 8 in accordance with schedules or systems approved by the executive 9 director of the department of revenue. Said schedules or systems shall 10 MUST be designed so that no such tax is charged on any sale of seventeen 11 cents or less.

SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-202, amend
(1)(b) as follows:

14 **39-26-202.** Authorization of tax. (1) (b) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE 15 PROVIDED IN SECTION 39-26-901, on and after January 1, 2001, there is 16 imposed and shall MUST be collected from every person in this state a tax 17 or excise at the rate of two and ninety one-hundredths percent of storage 18 or acquisition charges or costs for the privilege of storing, using, or 19 consuming in this state any articles of tangible personal property 20 purchased at retail.

21 SECTION 11. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 9 to article
22 26 of title 39 as follows:

PART 9
 TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX
 RATE REDUCTIONS
 39-26-901. Temporary adjustment of rates of state sales and
 use taxes - refund of excess state revenues - definition - repeal.

1 (1) (a) IF, FOR ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 2 1, 2024, BUT BEFORE JULY 1, 2034, THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF STATE 3 REVENUES IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING 4 IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 (7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION 5 THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IS 6 GREATER THAN ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE 7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE, FOR THE FOLLOWING 8 STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE STATE SALES TAX RATE SET FORTH IN SECTION 9 39-26-106 and the state use tax rate set forth in section 10 39-26-202 BY THIRTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT.

11 (b) (I) THE CALCULATION OF THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF EXCESS 12 STATE REVENUES FOR A STATE FISCAL YEAR REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION 13 (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION IS BASED ON THE MARCH ECONOMIC AND REVENUE 14 FORECAST THAT IS SELECTED BY THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE AS THE 15 BASIS FOR THE STATE'S BUDGET FOR THE FOLLOWING STATE FISCAL YEAR. 16 (II) FOR EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER 17 JULY 1, 2025, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ANNUALLY ADJUST THE 18 EXCESS STATE REVENUE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS 19 SECTION BY A PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF ALLOWABLE 20 INCREASE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING CALCULATED PURSUANT TO 21 SECTION 24-77-103 (2)(a)(I) FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE 22 EXCESS STATE REVENUE MUST BE REFUNDED.

(c) THE TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTION
IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION TAKES EFFECT ONLY IF THE
AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR A
STATE FISCAL YEAR EXCEEDS THE TOTAL OF THE AMOUNT OF
REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX REVENUES LOST AS A RESULT OF THE

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PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED BY PART 2 OF ARTICLE 3 OF THIS
 TITLE 39 PAID BY THE STATE TREASURER TO EACH COUNTY TREASURER AS
 REQUIRED BY SECTION 39-3-207 (4) FOR THE PROPERTY TAX YEAR THAT
 COMMENCED DURING THE STATE FISCAL YEAR PLUS THE ESTIMATED
 AMOUNT BY WHICH STATE REVENUES WILL BE DECREASED AS THE RESULT
 OF A REDUCTION IN THE STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RATE REQUIRED
 BY SECTION 39-22-627.

8 (2) IF, AT A STATEWIDE ELECTION, VOTERS AUTHORIZE THE STATE 9 TO RETAIN AND SPEND ALL OR ANY PORTION OF AN AMOUNT OF EXCESS 10 STATE REVENUES FOR A STATE FISCAL YEAR THAT WAS EQUAL TO OR 11 EXCEEDED THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, 12 AND THEREFORE REQUIRED A REDUCTION OF THE STATE SALES AND USE 13 TAX RATES, SO THAT THE AMOUNT OF REMAINING EXCESS STATE 14 REVENUES IS LESS THAN THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF 15 THIS SECTION, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL RESTORE THE STATE 16 SALES AND USE TAX RATES TO THE STANDARD RATES IMPOSED BY SECTION 17 39-26-106 (1) OR 39-26-202 (1) BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1 OF THE 18 FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR. ANY AMOUNT REFUNDED BY SUCH A 19 REDUCTION IN THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES CONSTITUTES AN 20 OVER-REFUND AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 (1).

(3) AS USED IN THIS PART 9, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
REQUIRES, "EXCESS STATE REVENUES" MEANS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE
STATE REVENUES FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE
LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20
(7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION THAT VOTERS
STATEWIDE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND AND
THAT THE STATE IS REQUIRED TO REFUND UNDER SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF

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ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDING ANY ADJUSTMENT
 FOR AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 OR 24-77-103.8.

3 (4) ANY TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTION
4 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT THE
5 CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF:

6 (a) THE VENDOR FEE CREDITED TO THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
7 GRANT FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 39-26-123 (3)(b);

8 (b) THE STATE SALES TAX INCREMENT REVENUE FOR REGIONAL
9 TOURISM ZONES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 3 OF ARTICLE 46 OF TITLE 24;
10 OR

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(c) THE AVIATION FUND CREATED IN SECTION 43-10-109.

12 (5) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT
13 TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTIONS ARE
14 REASONABLE METHODS OF REFUNDING A PORTION OF THE EXCESS STATE
15 REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 20
16 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

17 (6) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2035.

18 SECTION 12. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add part 9 to article
19 26 of title 39 as follows:

20 PART 9 21 TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX 22 **RATE REDUCTIONS** 23 39-26-901. Temporary adjustment of rates of state sales and use taxes - refund of excess state revenues - definition - repeal. 24 25 (1) (a) IF, FOR ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JULY 26 1, 2024, BUT BEFORE JULY 1, 2034, THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF STATE 27 REVENUES IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20 (7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION
 THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IS
 GREATER THAN ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS, THE
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL TEMPORARILY REDUCE, FOR THE FOLLOWING
 STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE STATE SALES TAX RATE SET FORTH IN SECTION
 39-26-106 AND THE STATE USE TAX RATE SET FORTH IN SECTION
 39-26-202 BY THIRTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT.

8 (b) (I) THE CALCULATION OF THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF EXCESS 9 STATE REVENUES FOR A STATE FISCAL YEAR REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION 10 (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION IS BASED ON THE MARCH ECONOMIC AND REVENUE 11 FORECAST THAT IS SELECTED BY THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE AS THE 12 BASIS FOR THE STATE'S BUDGET FOR THE FOLLOWING STATE FISCAL YEAR. 13 (II) FOR EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER 14 JULY 1, 2025, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ANNUALLY ADJUST THE 15 EXCESS STATE REVENUE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS 16 SECTION BY A PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF ALLOWABLE 17 INCREASE IN STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING CALCULATED PURSUANT TO 18 SECTION 24-77-103 (2)(a)(I) FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE 19 EXCESS STATE REVENUE MUST BE REFUNDED.

20 (c) THE TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTION 21 IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION TAKES EFFECT ONLY IF THE 22 AMOUNT OF EXCESS STATE REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED FOR A 23 STATE FISCAL YEAR EXCEEDS THE TOTAL OF THE AMOUNT OF 24 REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX REVENUES LOST AS A RESULT OF 25 BOTH THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED BY PART 2 OF ARTICLE 3 26 OF THIS TITLE 39 AND THE REDUCED VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT OF 27 QUALIFIED-SENIOR PRIMARY RESIDENCE REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 39-1-104.2 AND 39-1-104.6 THAT IS PAID BY THE STATE
 TREASURER TO EACH COUNTY TREASURER AS REQUIRED BY SECTION
 39-3-207 (4) OR 39-1-104.6 (9)(c) FOR THE PROPERTY TAX YEAR THAT
 COMMENCED DURING THE STATE FISCAL YEAR PLUS THE ESTIMATED
 AMOUNT BY WHICH STATE REVENUES WILL BE DECREASED AS THE RESULT
 OF A REDUCTION IN THE STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RATE REQUIRED
 BY SECTION 39-22-627.

8 (2) IF, AT A STATEWIDE ELECTION, VOTERS AUTHORIZE THE STATE 9 TO RETAIN AND SPEND ALL OR ANY PORTION OF AN AMOUNT OF EXCESS 10 STATE REVENUES FOR A STATE FISCAL YEAR THAT WAS EQUAL TO OR 11 EXCEEDED THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, 12 AND THEREFORE REQUIRED A REDUCTION OF THE STATE SALES AND USE 13 TAX RATES, SO THAT THE AMOUNT OF REMAINING EXCESS STATE 14 REVENUES IS LESS THAN THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF 15 THIS SECTION, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL RESTORE THE STATE 16 SALES AND USE TAX RATES TO THE STANDARD RATES IMPOSED BY SECTION 17 39-26-106 (1) OR 39-26-202 (1) BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1 OF THE 18 FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR. ANY AMOUNT REFUNDED BY SUCH A 19 REDUCTION IN THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATES CONSTITUTES AN OVER-REFUND AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 (1). 20

(3) AS USED IN THIS PART 9, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
REQUIRES, "EXCESS STATE REVENUES" MEANS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE
STATE REVENUES FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN EXCESS OF THE
LIMITATION ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING IMPOSED BY SECTION 20
(7)(a) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION THAT VOTERS
STATEWIDE HAVE NOT AUTHORIZED THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND AND
THAT THE STATE IS REQUIRED TO REFUND UNDER SECTION 20 (7)(d) OF

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ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, INCLUDING ANY ADJUSTMENT
 FOR AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 24-77-103.7 OR 24-77-103.8.

3 (4) ANY TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTION
4 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT THE
5 CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF:

6 (a) THE VENDOR FEE CREDITED TO THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
7 GRANT FUND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 39-26-123 (3)(b);

8 (b) THE STATE SALES TAX INCREMENT REVENUE FOR REGIONAL
9 TOURISM ZONES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 3 OF ARTICLE 46 OF TITLE 24;
10 OR

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(c) THE AVIATION FUND CREATED IN SECTION 43-10-109.

12 (5) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT 13 TEMPORARY STATE SALES AND USE TAX RATE REDUCTIONS ARE 14 REASONABLE METHODS OF REFUNDING A PORTION OF THE EXCESS STATE 15 REVENUES REQUIRED TO BE REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 20 16 (7)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

17 (6) This section is repealed, effective July 1, 2035.

18 SECTION 13. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-105, amend
19 (1)(a)(I)(A) as follows:

20 **39-26-105.** Vendor liable for tax - definitions - repeal. 21 (1) (a) (I) (A) Except as provided in subsections (1)(a)(I)(B), (1.3), and 22 (1.5) of this section, every retailer shall, irrespective of the provisions of 23 section 39-26-106, be liable and responsible for the payment of an 24 amount equivalent to two and ninety one-hundredths percent of all sales 25 made on or after January 1, 2001, by the retailer of commodities or 26 services as specified in section 39-26-104 THE TAX IMPOSED BY SECTION 27 39-26-106(1).

SECTION 14. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-26-112, amend
 (1) as follows:

3 **39-26-112.** Excess tax - remittance - repeal. (1) If any vendor, 4 during any reporting period, collects as a tax an amount in excess of three 5 percent of all taxable sales made prior to January 1, 2001, and two and 6 ninety one-hundredths percent of all taxable sales made on or after 7 January 1, 2001 THE TAX IMPOSED BY SECTION 39-26-106(1), such vendor 8 shall remit to the executive director of the department of revenue the full 9 net amount of the tax imposed in this part 1 and also such excess. The 10 retention by the retailer or vendor of any excess of tax collections over the 11 said percentage of the total taxable sales of such retailer or vendor, or the 12 intentional failure to remit punctually to the executive director the full 13 amount required to be remitted by the provisions of this part 1 is declared 14 to be unlawful and constitutes a misdemeanor.

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SECTION 15. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-10-109, amend (2)(a) as follows:

17 **43-10-109.** Aviation fund created. (2) (a) (I) In accordance with 18 section 18 of article X of the Colorado constitution, for the 1991-92 fiscal 19 year, and each fiscal year thereafter, one hundred percent of the sales and 20 use taxes collected during that fiscal year by the state pursuant to sections 21 39-26-104 and 39-26-202 C.R.S., on aviation fuels used in 22 turbo-propeller or jet engine aircraft shall be credited to the aviation fund. 23 (II) IF A TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF THE STATE SALES AND USE 24 TAX RATES PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-26-901 IS IN EFFECT, THE STATE 25 TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAXES COLLECTED 26 ON OTHER PROPERTY AND SERVICES TO THE AVIATION FUND SO THAT THE 27 AVIATION FUND RECEIVES AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT THAT IT

1 WOULD HAVE RECEIVED IF THE SALES AND USE TAX RATES HAD NOT BEEN

2 TEMPORARILY REDUCED FOR THAT FISCAL YEAR.

- 3 SECTION 16. Effective date. (1) Except as otherwise provided
 4 in this section, this act takes effect upon passage.
- 5 (2) Sections 1 and 11 of this act take effect only if Senate Bill
 6 24-111 does not become law.
- 7 (3) Sections 2 and 12 of this act take effect only if Senate Bill
 24-111 becomes law, in which case sections 2 and 12 of this act take
 9 effect upon the effective date of this act or Senate Bill 24-111, whichever
 10 is later.
- 11 **SECTION 17. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2024-25 state fiscal
- 12 year, \$59,443 is appropriated to the department of revenue. This
- 13 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
- 14 <u>department may use this appropriation as follows:</u>
- (a) \$16,625 for use by the executive director's office for personal
 services related to administration and support;
- 17 (b) \$27,810 for the taxation business group for tax administration
- 18 <u>IT system (GenTax) support; and</u>
- 19 (c) \$15,008 for the taxation business group for personal services
 20 related to taxation services.

SECTION <u>18.</u> Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.