CHAPTER 116

NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE BILL 24-1257

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AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE COLORADO NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATION IN THE 2023 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

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

- **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1203, **repeal** (15)(a)(II); and **add** (25)(a)(III) as follows:
- **2-3-1203.** Sunset review of advisory committees legislative declaration definition repeal. (15) (a) The following statutory authorizations for the designated advisory committees are scheduled for repeal on September 1, 2024:
- (II) The Colorado natural areas council, an advisory council to the parks and wildlife commission, created in section 33-33-106, C.R.S.;
- (25) (a) The following statutory authorizations for the designated advisory committees will repeal on September 1, 2034:
- (III) THE COLORADO NATURAL AREAS COUNCIL, AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION, CREATED IN SECTION 33-33-106.
 - **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 33-33-113 as follows:
- **33-33-113. Legislative review termination.** (1) The council terminates on September 1, 2024 2034, unless the general assembly votes to renew the legislative mandate of this article ARTICLE 33. Absent a vote to renew the legislative mandate

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of this article ARTICLE 33, the council shall cease all operations within a twelve-month period after September 1, 2024 2034.

- (2) Prior to the termination, the department of regulatory agencies shall review the advisory committee as provided for in section 2-3-1203. C.R.S.
- **SECTION 3.** Act subject to petition effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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