CHAPTER 69

## NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE BILL 95-1314

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## **AN ACT**

CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COLORADO AVALANCHE INFORMATION CENTER.

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

**SECTION 1.** 34-1-101, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1984 Repl. Vol., is amended to read:

- **34-1-101.** Geological survey created purpose avalanche information center. (1) There is hereby established the Colorado geological survey, which is a division of the department of natural resources. The purpose of the survey is to coordinate and encourage by use of appropriate means the full development of the state's natural resources, as the same are related to the geological processes that affect realistic development of human and mineral utilization and conservation practices and needs in the state of Colorado, all of which are designed to result in an ultimate benefit to the citizens of the state.
- (2) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED, WITHIN THE COLORADO GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, THE COLORADO AVALANCHE INFORMATION CENTER TO CARRY OUT A PROGRAM OF AVALANCHE FORECASTING AND EDUCATION.
- **SECTION 2.** 34-1-103 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1984 Repl. Vol., is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:
- **34-1-103. Objectives of survey duties of state geologist.** (1) The Colorado geological survey shall function to provide assistance to and cooperate with the general public, industries, and agencies of state government, including institutions of higher education, in pursuit of the following objectives, the priorities of which shall be determined by mutual consent of the state geologist and the executive director of

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

the department of natural resources:

(k) TO PROMOTE SAFETY BY REDUCING THE IMPACT OF AVALANCHES ON RECREATION, INDUSTRY, AND TRANSPORTATION IN THE STATE THROUGH A PROGRAM OF FORECASTING AND EDUCATION CONDUCTED BY THE COLORADO AVALANCHE INFORMATION CENTER.

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

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