CHAPTER 35

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL 00-1141

BY REPRESENTATIVES Dean, George, Spradley, Gordon, Mace, and Taylor; also SENATORS Blickensderfer, Powers, and Feeley.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE CLARIFICATION OF STATUTES RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF INTERIM ACTIVITIES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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

SECTION 1. 2-3-303.3, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-3-303.3. Interim studies. The legislative council CREATED IN SECTION 2-3-301 (1) shall meet during the regular session each year for the purpose of making recommendations, in the form of a joint resolution, of REVIEWING AND PRIORITIZING BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THAT CREATE OR AUTHORIZE any studies to be conducted during the interim OR THAT ALLOCATE ANY ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE STAFF RESOURCES DURING THE INTERIM. If, the study resolution is not adopted by the end of the regular session, AFTER THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS ADJOURNED, IF ISSUES ARE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DETERMINES THAT THE ISSUES ARE APPROPRIATE FOR BEING ADDRESSED BY AN INTERIM STUDY AND ARE THE RESULT OF CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES OR NEW CIRCUMSTANCES, the executive committee of the legislative council shall determine the interim studies and shall MAY provide for the conduct of such ADDITIONAL interim studies by ADOPTING A resolution. adopted by the executive committee no later than the first Monday in June.

SECTION 2. 2-3-308, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-3-308. Recommendations and findings. The recommendations and findings of the council shall be sent MADE AVAILABLE IN ELECTRONIC OR HARD COPY FORMAT to each member of the general assembly, to the governor, and to the state library, at least thirty days prior to any THE NEXT regular session of the general assembly, or at such other times as the council deems necessary, or as requested by the general

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assembly.

SECTION 3. 31-31-1001 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

31-31-1001. Commission created - duties. (1) There is hereby created the police officers' and firefighters' pension reform commission to be comprised of five senators appointed by the president of the senate and ten representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. THE PARTY REPRESENTATION SHALL BE IN PROPORTION GENERALLY TO THE RELATIVE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES IN EACH CHAMBER. THE CHAIRMAN SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AND BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. THE VICE-CHAIRMAN SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS. Members of the commission shall receive the same per diem allowance authorized for other members of the general assembly serving on interim study committees and actual expenses for participation in meetings of the commission. Staff services for the commission shall be furnished by the state auditor's office, the legislative council, and the office of legislative legal services. The state auditor, with the approval of the commission, may contract for services deemed necessary for the implementation of this part 10.

SECTION 4. 43-2-145 (2), (3), and (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said 43-2-145 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

43-2-145. Transportation legislation review - committee. (2) (a) UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2001, the committee shall be comprised of eleven members to be selected as follows:

(a) (I) Five members appointed by the governor from such highway advisory groups as the governor shall select, but which members shall be determined by him to adequately represent the entire state, no more than three of whom shall be from the same political party;

(b) (II) Three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, no more than two of whom shall be from the same political party;

(c) (III) Three members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate, no more than two of whom shall be from the same political party.

(b) THE CHAIRMAN SHALL BE DESIGNATED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AND BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. THE VICE-CHAIRMAN SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS.

(c) A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO APPROVE ANY LEGISLATION TO BE RECOMMENDED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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(d) This subsection (2) is repealed, effective January 1, 2001.

(2.5) (a) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2001, THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE COMPRISED OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE OF THE SENATE. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE SHALL BE THE CHAIRMAN IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND VICE-CHAIRMAN IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY COMMITTEE SHALL BE CHAIRMAN IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AND VICE-CHAIRMAN IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS.

(b) THE MEMBERS OF THE RESPECTIVE COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE SHALL RECEIVE THE USUAL PER DIEM AND NECESSARY TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES AS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHO ATTEND INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-307, C.R.S.

(3) (a) The term of office of each member of the committee shall be for two years and shall commence on February 1, 1987, and on February 1 every two years thereafter.

(b) This subsection (3) is repealed, effective January 1, 2001.

(4) (a) Members of the committee shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for all necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and in addition shall receive fifty dollars per diem for each day spent in attendance at meetings of the committee.

(b) This subsection (4) is repealed, effective January 1, 2001.

SECTION 5. 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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