CHAPTER 355

CORRECTIONS

SENATE BILL 23-203

BY SENATOR(S) Fields, Buckner, Hinrichsen, Moreno, Priola; also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Soper and Marshall, Bird, Snyder, Titone.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO APPREHEND FUGITIVES.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 17-1-103.8, **amend** (2) introductory portion; and **add** (2)(f) and (2.5) as follows:

- 17-1-103.8. Executive director inspector general investigators duties.
 (2) The inspector general and the investigators under his or her THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S direction shall have the following duties:
- (f) Upon request of a division of the department or a law enforcement agency, to seek out and arrest any fugitive from a correctional facility and to assist a law enforcement agency in the apprehension of fugitives from justice throughout the state.
- (2.5) On or before March 1, 2024, and on or before March 1 of each year thereafter, the department shall report to the house of representatives judiciary committee and the senate judiciary committee, or their successor committees, regarding the utilization of the services described in subsection (2)(f) of this section during the prior year. The report must include, at a minimum, data on the number of times the inspector general or the investigators under the inspector general's direction were used pursuant to subsection (2)(f) of this section, including the number of investigators required, the time committed to the effort, and the cost.
- **SECTION 2.** 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

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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.

Approved: June 5, 2023