

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY REPRESENTATIVE Willford

1 Strike the Appropriations Committee Report, dated February 11, 2025,
2 and substitute the following:

3 "Amend reengrossed bill, page 42, line 9, strike "Reimbursement^{107a}" and
4 substitute "Reimbursement^{107a} REIMBURSEMENT^{107b}".

5 Page 43, strike lines 14 and 15.

6 Page 44, strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute:

7 ~~"107a Department of Public Safety, Colorado Bureau of Investigation, Laboratory and Investigative Services, District Attorney Reimbursements; DNA testing and reimbursement -- It is the General Assembly's intent that the Department provide a progress report to the Joint Budget Committee by November 1, 2024. This appropriation remains available until the close of the 2024-25 state fiscal year.~~

14 107a DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, LABORATORY AND INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES, DISTRICT ATTORNEY REIMBURSEMENT -- THIS APPROPRIATION REMAINS AVAILABLE UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE 2024-25 STATE FISCAL YEAR.

19 107b DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, LABORATORY AND INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES, DNA TESTING AND REIMBURSEMENT -- THIS APPROPRIATION REMAINS AVAILABLE UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE 2025-26 STATE FISCAL YEAR. IT IS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT: (1) PROVIDE A PROGRESS REPORT TO THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE BY NOVEMBER 1, 2024; (2) USE THIS APPROPRIATION TO ACCELERATE TESTING FOR THE BACKLOG OF SEXUAL ASSAULT KITS THROUGH THE USE OF CONTRACT LABS; (3) PROVIDE EMAIL UPDATES EVERY 30 DAYS BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON DNA BACKLOG AND SEX ASSAULT KIT BACKLOG TO INCLUDE (a) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES WITH PENDING TESTS IN EACH CATEGORY, (b) THE CURRENT TURNAROUND TIME FOR EACH CATEGORY, (c) THE NUMBER OF CASES FOR TESTS COMPLETED IN THE PRIOR 30 DAYS BY INTERNAL LAB AND BY CONTRACT LABS, (d) THE ANTICIPATED TIMELINE FOR CBI TO ACHIEVE A 90-DAY

1 TURNAROUND TIME FOR SEX ASSAULT KITS, (e) UPDATES ON CBI
2 LAB ANALYST STAFFING LEVELS, AND (f) ANY INFORMATION OR
3 UPDATES ON ISSUES WITH CONTRACT LABS THAT MIGHT AFFECT
4 ANTICIPATED TESTING CAPACITY, VOLUME, TURNAROUND
5 EXPECTATIONS, OR VARY FROM PROJECTED CASELOAD TIMELINES
6 AS REFLECTED IN THE FEBRUARY 10, 2025 CBI WHITEPAPER
7 DOCUMENT; AND (4) IMPLEMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS A PUBLIC FACING
8 DASHBOARD TO BE UPDATED AT LEAST MONTHLY ON THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY WEBSITE TO REPORT ON THE DNA
10 BACKLOG AND THE SEX ASSAULT KIT BACKLOG TO INCLUDE TOTAL
11 CASELOAD NUMBERS, FISCAL YEAR AND 30-DAY TESTS COMPLETED
12 AND NEW CASES RECEIVED, AND CURRENT TURNAROUND TIMES."".

PURPOSE: Strikes the Appropriations Committee Report that removes the amendment added in the Senate that extends spending authority for the DNA Testing and Reimbursement line item in the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in the Department of **Public Safety** through June 30, 2026. This amendment (J.003) restores the extension of spending authority through June 30, 2026 and adds legislative intent for the Department and CBI to provide updates every 30 days to the General Assembly and implement a public-facing dashboard on the Department's website within 90 days related to DNA and sexual assault kit test backlogs. This line item is a FY 2023-24 appropriation with current spending authority through June 30, 2025. Although the amendment has no fiscal impact in the prior (FY 2023-24) or current (FY 2024-25) fiscal years, the amendment has the effect of further appropriating the amount that remains unspent at the end of the current fiscal year for FY 2025-26. It is anticipated that almost all of the appropriation will remain unspent at the end of the current fiscal year. Therefore, this amendment decreases the General Fund available for related or other FY 2025-26 appropriations by the same amount.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment						
Department	GF	CF	RF	FF	Total	FTE
Public Safety	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

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