SB016_L.001
SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT
Committee on <u>Transportation & Energy</u>.
<u>SB23-016</u> be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 16, strike lines 19 through 27.

2 Page 17, strike lines 1 through 12.

3 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

4 Page 17, after line 21 insert:

5   "**SECTION 12.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 40-42-109 as
6 follows:
7   **40-42-109. Study on expanding transmission capacity -**
8 **reporting - repeal.** (1) THE AUTHORITY SHALL EXPEND MONEY FROM THE
9 OPERATIONAL FUND CREATED IN SECTION 40-42-106 TO STUDY THE NEED
10 FOR EXPANDED TRANSMISSION CAPACITY IN THE STATE, INCLUDING:
11   (a) THE ABILITY TO EXPAND CAPACITY THROUGH THE
12 CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TRANSMISSION LINES, IMPROVEMENTS TO
13 EXISTING TRANSMISSION LINES, AND CONNECTIONS TO ORGANIZED
14 WHOLESALE MARKETS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 40-5-108 (1)(a);
15   (b) WHETHER AND HOW EXPANDED TRANSMISSION CAPACITY WILL:
16   (I) IMPROVE THE SYSTEM RELIABILITY OF THE ELECTRIC GRID AND
17 PROVIDE OPTIMAL UTILIZATION OF ELECTRICITY FLOWS IN THE STATE;
18   (II) SUPPORT THE STATE'S EMISSION REDUCTION GOALS SET FORTH
19 IN SECTION 25-7-102 (2)(g);
20   (III) SUPPORT THE STATE'S FORECASTED ELECTRICITY NEEDS; AND
21   (IV) REDUCE LAND IMPACTS BY USING EXISTING RIGHTS-OF-WAY,
22 INCLUDING FOR LARGE CAPACITY TRANSMISSION LINES; CO-LOCATING
23 MULTIPLE TRANSMISSION LINES; RECONDUCTORING TRANSMISSION LINES;
24 AND STRATEGICALLY SITING NEW TRANSMISSION CORRIDORS.
25   (2) THE AUTHORITY SHALL PREPARE:
26   (a) AN INITIAL REPORT OF THE STUDY, INCLUDING ANY
27 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND PRESENT THE INITIAL REPORT TO THE
28 COMMISSION ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2024; AND
29   (b) A FINAL REPORT OF THE STUDY, INCLUDING ANY
30 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND PRESENT THE FINAL REPORT TO THE JOINT
31 COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ENERGY AND
32 ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION AND
33 ENERGY COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, ON OR BEFORE
34 JANUARY 31, 2025.
35   (3) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.".

36 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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