

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY REPRESENTATIVE Bennett

1 Amend the State, Civic, Military, and Veterans Affairs Committee
2 Report, dated June 3, 2021, page 1, before line 13 insert:

3 "Amend reengrossed bill, page 4, line 4, strike "**definitions. (3)(a)**" and
4 substitute "**definitions - legislative declaration. (3)(a)** THE GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND DECLARES THAT:

6 (I) CERTAIN COMMUNITIES, BOTH IN COLORADO AND
7 INTERNATIONALLY, HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN FORCED TO BEAR A
8 DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN OF ADVERSE HUMAN HEALTH OR
9 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS, AS DOCUMENTED IN NUMEROUS STUDIES,
10 INCLUDING THE "TOXIC WASTES AND RACE AT TWENTY, 1987-2007"
11 REPORT BY THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST JUSTICE & WITNESS
12 MINISTRIES; FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ANNUAL
13 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PROGRESS REPORTS; AND A 2021 REPORT FROM
14 THE "MAPPING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE" PROJECT AT THE
15 BERKELEY PUBLIC POLICY/THE GOLDMAN SCHOOL THAT SHOWS HOW
16 THE POLLUTION BURDEN IS DISTRIBUTED IN COLORADO, WHILE ALSO
17 FACING SYSTEMIC EXCLUSION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL DECISION-MAKING
18 PROCESSES AND ENJOYING FEWER ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS; AND

19 (II) THE PURPOSE OF THIS SUBSECTION (3) IS TO ENSURE THAT THE
20 COMMISSION, IN EXERCISING ITS REGULATORY AUTHORITY, WILL TAKE
21 ACCOUNT OF AND, WHERE POSSIBLE, HELP TO CORRECT THESE HISTORICAL
22 INEQUITIES.

23 (b)".".

24 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

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