

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Agriculture, Water & Natural Resources.

HB24-1309 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 7, strike lines 6 through 15 and substitute:

2 **"SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-33.5-120 as
3 follows:

4 **24-33.5-120. Airspace deconfliction working group - search**
5 **and rescue - repeal.** (1) THERE IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT THE
6 AIRSPACE DECONFLICTION WORKING GROUP, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION
7 AS THE "WORKING GROUP".

8 (2) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
9 SHALL APPOINT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE WORKING GROUP:

10 (a) TWO MEMBERS FROM THE DEPARTMENT;

11 (b) IN COORDINATION WITH A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COUNTY
12 SHERIFFS OF COLORADO, TWO COUNTY SHERIFFS WITH EXPERIENCE IN
13 CONDUCTING SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS; AND

14 (c) IN COORDINATION WITH THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, CREATED IN SECTION
16 24-1-127, TWO MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND
17 VETERANS AFFAIRS.

18 (3)(a) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL CALL THE FIRST MEETING
19 OF THE WORKING GROUP.

20 (b) THE WORKING GROUP SHALL MEET AS NECESSARY TO
21 ESTABLISH AIRSPACE DECONFLICTION GUIDELINES IN ACCORDANCE WITH
22 SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION.

23 (4) (a) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2025, THE WORKING GROUP
24 SHALL ESTABLISH AIRSPACE DECONFLICTION GUIDELINES RELATED TO
25 SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

26 (b) THE WORKING GROUP SHALL ENSURE THAT THE AIRSPACE
27 DECONFLICTION GUIDELINES ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTIES INVOLVED
28 IN AERIAL SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

29 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEND NOTICE TO ALL RELEVANT
30 ENTITIES, AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THAT AIRSPACE
31 DECONFLICTION GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AND PUBLISH THE
32 GUIDELINES ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

33 (6) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026."

34 Page 7, strike lines 26 and 27 and substitute "AIRSPACE DECONFLICTION
35 GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-33.5-120 WHEN
36 THERE COULD".

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