



SENATE BILL 23-161

BY SENATOR(S) Fenberg and Will, Baisley, Bridges, Buckner, Coleman, Cutter, Gardner, Hansen, Jaquez Lewis, Liston, Lundeen, Marchman, Priola, Roberts, Smallwood, Van Winkle, Winter F.; also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Lynch and McCluskie, Amabile, Bird, Boesenecker, Brown, Dickson, Epps, Hamrick, Jodeh, Joseph, Kipp, Lieder, Lindsay, Lindstedt, Lukens, Marshall, McLachlan, Michaelson Jenet, Ortiz, Snyder, Soper, Taggart, Titone, Valdez, Velasco, Young.

CONCERNING STATE FUNDING TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF A FIREFIGHTING AIRCRAFT TO RESPOND TO WILDFIRES.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-33.5-1228, **add** (3)(c)(IV) as follows:

24-33.5-1228. Colorado firefighting air corps - creation - powers - aircraft acquisitions required - center of excellence - unmanned aircraft systems study and pilot program - Colorado firefighting air corps fund - creation - report - rules.

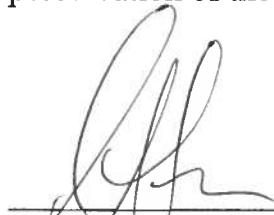
(3) (c) (IV) ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE

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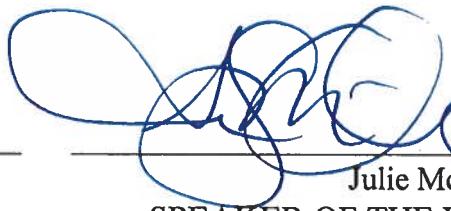
TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER TWENTY-SIX MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE COLORADO FIREFIGHTING AIR CORPS FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION. THE DIVISION SHALL USE THE MONEY TRANSFERRED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3)(c)(IV) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A FIRE HAWK HELICOPTER CONFIGURED FOR WILDFIRE AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY RESPONSE NEEDS.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

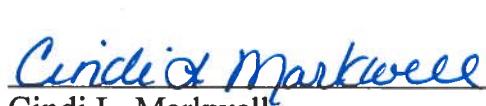
determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.



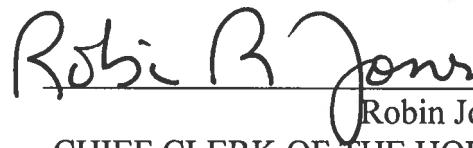
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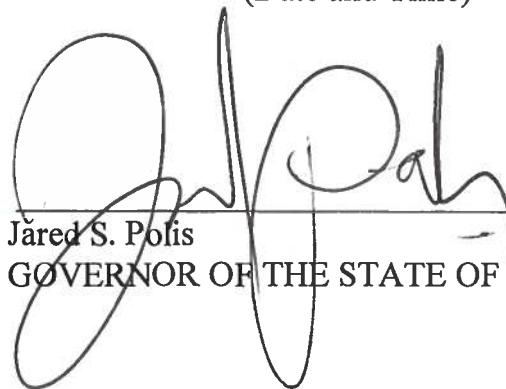


Cindi L. Markwell
SECRETARY OF
THE SENATE



Robin Jones
CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED Friday May 12th 2023 at 1:40 pm
(Date and Time)



Jared S. Polis
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF COLORADO