

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

May 4, 2026
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1326 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 43, before line 24 insert:

2 **"SECTION 44. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2026-27 state fiscal
3 year, \$328,958 is appropriated to the department of regulatory agencies.
4 This appropriation consists of \$253,958 from the public utilities
5 commission fixed utility fund created in section 40-2-114 (1)(b)(II),
6 C.R.S., and \$75,000 from the public utilities commission motor carrier
7 fund created in section 40-2-110.5 (6), C.R.S. To implement this act, the
8 department may use this appropriation as follows:

9 (a) \$75,000 from the public utilities commission motor carrier
10 fund for use by the public utilities commission for personal services; and

11 (b) \$253,958 from the public utilities commission fixed utility
12 fund for the purchase of legal services.

13 (2) For the 2026-27 state fiscal year, \$253,958 is appropriated to
14 the department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds
15 received from the department of regulatory agencies under subsection
16 (1)(b) of this section and is based on an assumption that the department
17 of law will require an additional 1.1 FTE. To implement this act, the
18 department of law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for
19 the department of regulatory agencies."

20 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

21 Page 1, line 104, strike "AGENCIES." and substitute "AGENCIES AND
22 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION."