

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

Date

April 1, 2021

Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources.

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

SB21-189 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 4, strike lines 26 and 27.
- 2 Page 5, strike lines 1 through 24 and substitute "**project grant -**
- 3 **appropriation.** (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, \$3,000,000 is
- 4 appropriated to the department of natural resources for use by the
- 5 Colorado water conservation board. This appropriation is from the
- 6 Colorado water conservation board construction fund created in section
- 7 37-60-121, C.R.S. To implement this section, the Colorado water
- 8 conservation board may use this appropriation to make a grant to the
- 9 Colorado Rio Grande Restoration Foundation to purchase a farm and
- 10 water rights in order to reduce groundwater pumping to help bring the
- 11 San Luis valley confined aquifer to sustainable levels.
- 12 (2) The money appropriated in subsection (1) of this section
- 13 remains available for the designated purposes until it is fully expended."
- 14 Page 6, line 9, strike "2021," and substitute "2020,".

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