

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

February 2, 2017
Date

Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy.

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

SB17-050 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 12, after "PROPERTY" insert "AND
- 2 INCREASE FIREFIGHTER SAFETY,".

- 3 Page 3, strike line 8 and substitute "forest restoration AND WILDFIRE RISK
- 4 MITIGATION GRANT program".

- 5 Page 3, line 9, after "(8.5)" insert "THAT RESULT FROM APPROPRIATIONS
- 6 FOR FISCAL YEARS THAT END ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2017,".

- 7 Page 4, strike lines 4 and 5 and substitute "THOUSAND dollars per year to
- 8 the forest restoration AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION GRANT program
- 9 cash fund created in".

- 10 Page 4, line 24, strike "**Wildfire risk reduction and forest health**" and
- 11 substitute "**Forest restoration and wildfire risk mitigation**".

- 12 Page 5, line 1, strike "'WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION AND FOREST HEALTH"
- 13 and substitute "'FOREST RESTORATION AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION".

- 14 Page 5, line 6, strike the second "AND".

- 15 Page 5, strike lines 8 and 9 and substitute "IN PART TO FIRE SUPPRESSION

- 1 EFFORTS AND DROUGHT, THE RESULT OF WHICH ARE UNHEALTHY,
2 FIRE-PRONE FORESTS; AND
3 (III) COLORADO HAS EXPERIENCED A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN
4 DAMAGING WILDFIRES THAT HAVE DESTROYED HOMES, PROPERTY, AND
5 OTHER ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE;".
- 6 Page 5, line 13, strike "INTERFACE;" and substitute "INTERFACE AND
7 REDUCE THE FINANCIAL COSTS OF WILDFIRE IN COLORADO;".
- 8 Page 5, line 14, after "THIN" insert "OR OTHERWISE MANAGE TO IMPROVE".
- 9 Page 5, line 15, strike "REDUCE" and substitute "MITIGATE".
- 10 Page 5, line 17, strike the second "AND".
- 11 Page 6, after line 1 insert:
- 12 "(IV) MAINTAINING PROPER FUNDING FOR A COMBINED GRANT
13 PROGRAM WILL ENSURE THAT NECESSARY RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO
14 BOTH REDUCE WILDFIRE RISK AND IMPROVE FOREST HEALTH; AND".
- 15 Page 6, line 3, after "MITIGATION" insert "AND FOREST HEALTH
16 IMPROVEMENTS".
- 17 Page 7, line 3, after "TO" insert "SAFELY".
- 18 Page 7, line 12, strike "to stakeholders" and substitute "~~to stakeholders~~".
- 19 Page 7, strike line 13 and substitute "~~experimental forest restoration~~".
- 20 Page 7, strike line 16 and substitute "~~federal~~, state, county, or municipal
21 forest lands. The ~~state~~ GRANT share of an".
- 22 Page 8, strike lines 22 and 23 and substitute "technical advisory panel to
23 evaluate the proposals for forest restoration ~~demonstration~~ AND WILDFIRE
24 RISK MITIGATION grants and".
- 25 Page 9, line 5, strike "NINE" and substitute "TEN".
- 26 Page 9, strike line 6 and substitute "members, to be appointed by the

- 1 director. ~~as follows~~: THE COMPOSITION OF THE PANEL INCLUDES:".
- 2 Page 9, line 24, strike "COLORADO;" and substitute "COLORADO AND THE
3 MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF ECOLOGICAL HEALTH;
- 4 Page 9, line 25, strike "ONE MEMBER" and substitute "TWO MEMBERS".
- 5 Page 10, strike lines 3 and 4 and substitute "section. In carrying out ~~the~~
6 ~~program and approved projects, to provide forest restoration activities,~~
7 ~~the~~".
- 8 Page 10, line 8, strike "**restoration.**" and substitute "**restoration and**
9 **wildfire risk mitigation.**".
- 10 Page 10, lines 9 and 10, strike "MOVING FROM RISK REDUCTION TO" and
11 substitute "EFFORTS TO REDUCE RISK TO PEOPLE AND PROPERTY AND IN
12 SUPPORT OF".
- 13 Page 10, strike line 15 and substitute "THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FOREST
14 RESTORATION AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION".
- 15 Page 10, strike lines 19 and 20 and substitute "ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL
16 RESOURCES OR THAT HAVE".
- 17 Page 10, strike line 24 and substitute "BALANCE OF THE FOREST
18 RESTORATION AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION GRANT".
- 19 Page 11, strike line 7 and substitute "AVAILABLE IN THE FOREST
20 RESTORATION AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION GRANT".
- 21 Page 13, line 11, strike "AND".
- 22 Page 13, line 12, strike "GENERATED." and substitute "GENERATED; AND
23 (VI) THE GRANT PROGRAM'S ABILITY TO ACHIEVE ITS STATED
24 GOALS."
- 25 Page 13, strike lines 16 through 18 and substitute:
- 26 "(8.5) **Forest restoration and wildfire risk mitigation grant**
27 **program cash fund.** (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the

- 1 forest restoration AND WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION GRANT program cash".
- 2 Page 14, strike line 1 and substitute "TO THE FOREST RESTORATION AND
- 3 WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM".
- 4 Page 14, strike lines 5 and 6 and substitute "board of governors of the
- 5 Colorado state university system for the forest restoration AND WILDFIRE
- 6 RISK MITIGATION GRANT".
- 7 Page 14, strike lines 13 through 27.
- 8 Page 15, strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute "2022. Prior to such repeal, the
- 9 ~~department of regulatory agencies shall review the technical advisory~~
- 10 ~~panel as provided in section 2-3-1203, C.R.S."~~.
- 11 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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