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SENATE BILL 24-208

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING STANDARDIZATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
102	STATIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ESTABLISHING THE
103	ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE AND THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE
104	ENTERPRISE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

The bill creates the electric vehicle enterprise (enterprise) in the department of labor and employment (department). The business purpose of the enterprise is to synchronize electric vehicle charging protocols to

create consistency and transparency for electric vehicle charging consumers.

The enterprise constitutes an enterprise for purposes of section 20 of article X of the state constitution so long as it retains the authority to issue revenue bonds and receives less than 10% of its total annual revenue in grants from all Colorado state and local governments combined. So long as it constitutes an enterprise, the enterprise is not subject to section 20 of article X of the state constitution.

The bill establishes a board of directors for the enterprise, including the board's membership, powers, and duties.

The bill authorizes the enterprise to impose and collect a fee beginning July 1, 2025, to be paid by each electric vehicle charging station retailer based on the total number of retail electric vehicle charging stations operated by the retailer and the total number of power supply devices used at such stations.

The bill creates the electric vehicle enterprise special revenue fund (fund) and continuously appropriates money in the fund to the enterprise to accomplish its duties.

The bill requires the state treasurer, on July 1, 2024, to transfer \$264,000 from the general fund to the fund and, on July 1, 2025, to transfer \$160,000 from the general fund to the fund for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred by the enterprise before it receives fee revenue or revenue bond proceeds. The money is transferred as a loan to the enterprise, to be paid in full not later than December 31, 2028, with interest.

The bill requires the enterprise, in consultation with the Colorado energy office and the division of oil and public safety within the department, to promulgate rules establishing minimum standards related to specifications and tolerances for retail electric vehicle charging equipment and methods of retail sale at publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations to promote equity in the marketplace. The department must begin enforcing the rules on July 1, 2025, for all electric vehicle charging stations installed before, on, or after July 1, 2025.

For the purposes of existing laws concerning fuel products, the bill amends the definitions of the terms "fuel products" and "motor fuel" to include electricity when used to fuel electric vehicles.

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SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 8-20-107 as

3 follows:

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8-20-107. Electric vehicle enterprise - creation - board of

¹ Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

directors - electric vehicle enterprise special revenue fund - duties of
 enterprise - registration fees - revenue bonds - rules - legislative
 declaration - definitions - repeal. (1) Legislative declaration. (a) THE
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

5 (I) AS MORE ELECTRIC VEHICLES ENTER THE MARKETPLACE, THERE
6 IS A DEMAND AND A NEED FOR MORE RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
7 STATIONS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE OWNERS AND DRIVERS; AND

8 (II) GIVEN THE RECENT INCREASES IN THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF 9 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS IN COLORADO, THERE IS A NEED 10 FOR A STANDARDIZATION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES USED IN 11 ASSOCIATION WITH ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING TO ENSURE 12 CONSISTENCY ACROSS THE INDUSTRY AND ACCURACY FOR CONSUMER 13 CONFIDENCE AND CONVENIENCE.

14 (b) THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT:
15 (I) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE CREATED IN THIS SECTION
16 WILL BENEFIT COLORADO CONSUMERS BY ADDRESSING THE CURRENT
17 LACK OF UNIFORMITY AMONG RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
18 STATIONS WITH REGARD TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES;

(II) ON JULY 1,2025, EACH ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION
RETAILER WILL BEGIN PAYING A REGISTRATION FEE BASED ON THE TOTAL
NUMBER OF RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS OPERATED BY
THE RETAILER AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POWER SUPPLY DEVICES USED
AT SUCH STATIONS;

(III) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE WILL PROMULGATE RULES
 TO SYNCHRONIZE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROTOCOLS AND CREATE
 CONSISTENCY AND TRANSPARENCY FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
 CONSUMERS, WHICH DIRECTLY BENEFITS THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE

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CHARGING STATION RETAILERS WHO PAY THE FEES. BY PROVIDING A
 DIRECT BENEFIT TO FEE PAYERS, THE ENTERPRISE OPERATES AS A BUSINESS
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE COLORADO SUPREME
 COURT IN COLORADO UNION OF TAXPAYERS FOUNDATION V. CITY OF ASPEN,
 418 P.3d 506 (COLO. 2018).

6 (IV) THE NEEDS AND OPERATIONS OF RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE 7 CHARGING STATIONS ARE UNIQUE; THEREFORE, IT IS NECESSARY TO 8 INCLUDE INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY 9 IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE BOARD OF 10 DIRECTORS;

11 (V) SO LONG AS THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE QUALIFIES AS 12 AN ENTERPRISE FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE 13 CONSTITUTION, THE REVENUE FROM ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING 14 STATION FEES COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE IS NOT STATE FISCAL YEAR 15 SPENDING, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-102 (17), OR STATE REVENUES, 16 AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-103.6 (6)(c), AND DOES NOT COUNT 17 AGAINST EITHER THE STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING LIMIT IMPOSED BY 18 SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OR THE EXCESS 19 STATE REVENUES CAP, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-77-103.6 (6)(b)(I)(G); 20 AND

(VI) CONSISTENT WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE COLORADO
SUPREME COURT IN *NICHOLL V. E-470 Public Highway Authority*, 896
P.2d 859 (Colo. 1995), THE POWER TO IMPOSE TAXES IS INCONSISTENT
WITH ENTERPRISE STATUS UNDER SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE
CONSTITUTION, AND IT IS THE CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
THAT THE REVENUE THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE RECEIVES AS
REGISTRATION FEES ARE FEES, NOT TAXES, BECAUSE THE FEE AMOUNTS

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CREDITED TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
 ARE:

3 (A) FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF ALLOWING THE ELECTRIC
4 VEHICLE ENTERPRISE TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE BUSINESS
5 SERVICES SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION THAT BENEFIT THE FEE PAYERS; AND
6 (B) COLLECTED AT RATES THAT ARE REASONABLY CALCULATED
7 BASED ON THE COST OF THE BUSINESS SERVICES THE ENTERPRISE
8 PROVIDES.

9 (2) Definitions. As used in this section, unless the context
10 OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

11 (a) "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
12 ENTERPRISE.

13 (b) "COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE" MEANS THE COLORADO ENERGY
14 OFFICE CREATED IN SECTION 24-38.5-101.

15 (c) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND
16 EMPLOYMENT.

17 (d) "DIVISION OF OIL AND PUBLIC SAFETY" MEANS THE DIVISION OF
18 OIL AND PUBLIC SAFETY CREATED IN SECTION 8-20-101.

19 (e) "ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION" MEANS A LOCATION
20 THAT FEATURES ONE OR MORE POWER SUPPLY DEVICES THAT SUPPLY
21 ELECTRICAL POWER FOR RECHARGING PLUG-IN ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

(f) "ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION RETAILER" MEANS A
 PERSON WHO OWNS, CONTROLS, OR OPERATES A RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE
 CHARGING STATION.

25 (g) "ENTERPRISE" MEANS THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE
26 CREATED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.

27 (h) "FUND" MEANS THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE SPECIAL

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1 REVENUE FUND CREATED IN SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION.

2 (i) "POWER SUPPLY DEVICE" MEANS A DEVICE THAT ENABLES A
3 CONSUMER TO CONNECT AND CHARGE AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE AT AN
4 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION.

5 (j) "RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION" MEANS AN
6 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION AT WHICH AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE
7 CHARGING STATION RETAILER CHARGES A FEE TO VEHICLE OWNERS OR
8 OPERATORS FOR RECHARGING AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE.

9 (3) (a) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE IS CREATED IN THE 10 DEPARTMENT. THE ENTERPRISE IS AND OPERATES AS A 11 GOVERNMENT-OWNED BUSINESS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT IN ORDER TO 12 EXECUTE ITS BUSINESS PURPOSE AS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (5) OF THIS 13 SECTION BY EXERCISING THE POWERS AND PERFORMING THE DUTIES SET 14 FORTH IN THIS SECTION.

(b) THE ENTERPRISE IS A TYPE 1 ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
24-1-105, AND EXERCISES ITS POWERS AND PERFORMS ITS DUTIES AND
FUNCTIONS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT.

18 (c) THE ENTERPRISE CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE FOR PURPOSES 19 OF SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION SO LONG AS IT 20 RETAINS THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND RECEIVES LESS 21 THAN TEN PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUE IN GRANTS FROM ALL 22 COLORADO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS COMBINED. SO LONG AS IT 23 CONSTITUTES AN ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (3), THE 24 ENTERPRISE IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE 25 CONSTITUTION.

26 (4) (a) THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ENTERPRISE CONSISTS OF
27 THE FOLLOWING FIVE MEMBERS:

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(I) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF OIL AND PUBLIC SAFETY OR
 THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;

3 (II) THE DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE OR THE
4 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE; AND

5 (III) THREE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE
6 COMMUNITY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR ON OR BEFORE
7 SEPTEMBER 1, 2024, PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(b) OF THIS SECTION.
8 (b) THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD APPOINTED PURSUANT TO
9 SUBSECTION (4)(a)(III) OF THIS SECTION SHALL EACH SERVE TERMS OF

10 THREE YEARS; EXCEPT THAT:

(I) ONE OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL SERVE AN INITIAL
TERM OF ONE YEAR; AND

13 (II) ONE OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL SERVE AN INITIAL
14 TERM OF TWO YEARS.

15 (c) EACH MEMBER MAY SERVE AN UNLIMITED NUMBER OF TERMS.
16 A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD SHALL
17 SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE FORMER MEMBER.
18 (d) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT
19 MUST BE REIMBURSED FROM MONEY IN THE FUND FOR ACTUAL AND
20 NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE MEMBERS'
21 DUTIES PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

(5) THE BUSINESS PURPOSE OF THE ENTERPRISE IS TO SYNCHRONIZE
ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROTOCOLS TO CREATE CONSISTENCY AND
TRANSPARENCY FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING CONSUMERS. TO
ALLOW THE ENTERPRISE TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE AND FULLY
EXERCISE ITS POWERS AND DUTIES THROUGH THE BOARD, THE ENTERPRISE
MAY:

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(a) IMPOSE AND COLLECT A FEE AS AUTHORIZED BY SUBSECTION
 (7) OF THIS SECTION; AND
 (b) ISSUE REVENUE BONDS PAYABLE FROM THE REVENUE AND
 OTHER AVAILABLE MONEY OF THE ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
 (8) OF THIS SECTION.

6 (6) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER POWERS AND DUTIES SPECIFIED IN
7 THIS SECTION, THE BOARD HAS THE FOLLOWING GENERAL POWERS AND
8 DUTIES:

9 (a) TO SUPERVISE THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE;

10 (b) TO ACQUIRE, HOLD TITLE TO, AND DISPOSE OF REAL AND
11 PERSONAL PROPERTY AS NECESSARY IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS POWERS AND
12 PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES;

13 (c) TO CONTRACT WITH ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITY;

14 (d) TO REQUEST THE STATE TREASURER TO ACT AS ADVISOR TO
15 THE ENTERPRISE TO ISSUE SUCH BONDS AND NOTES AS ARE NECESSARY TO
16 MAINTAIN ADEQUATE BALANCES IN THE FUND; AND

17 (e) TO HAVE AND EXERCISE ALL RIGHTS AND POWERS NECESSARY
18 OR INCIDENTAL TO OR IMPLIED FROM THE SPECIFIC POWERS AND DUTIES
19 GRANTED BY THIS SECTION.

20 (7) IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS BUSINESS PURPOSE, BEGINNING JULY 21 1, 2025, THE ENTERPRISE MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT A FEE IN SUCH 22 REASONABLE AMOUNT AS IS NECESSARY TO OFFSET THE DIRECT AND 23 INDIRECT COSTS, INCLUDING THE COSTS FOR SALARIES AND OPERATING 24 EXPENSES, INCURRED BY THE ENTERPRISE PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE 20. 25 EACH ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION RETAILER SHALL PAY THE 26 FEE BASED ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE 27 CHARGING STATIONS OPERATED BY THE RETAILER AND THE TOTAL

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1 NUMBER OF POWER SUPPLY DEVICES USED AT SUCH STATIONS.

2 (8) THE ENTERPRISE MAY ISSUE REVENUE BONDS FOR THE
3 EXPENSES OF THE ENTERPRISE, WHICH BONDS MAY BE SECURED BY ANY
4 REVENUES OF THE ENTERPRISE. REVENUE FROM THE BONDS ISSUED
5 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (8) SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE FUND.

6 (9) (a) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND 7 IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE ENTERPRISE SHALL USE THE 8 MONEY IN THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION. THE 9 FUND CONSISTS OF FEE REVENUE CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO 10 SUBSECTION (7) OF THIS SECTION: MONEY GENERATED FROM THE ISSUANCE 11 OF REVENUE BONDS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (8) OF THIS SECTION; 12 MONEY CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9)(b) OF THIS 13 SECTION; MONETARY GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, OR OTHER PAYMENTS 14 RECEIVED BY THE ENTERPRISE; ANY FEDERAL MONEY THAT MAY BE 15 CREDITED TO THE FUND; AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL 16 ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. THE STATE 17 TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE 18 DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE FUND TO THE FUND. MONEY 19 IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE ENTERPRISE FOR 20 THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION AND TO PAY THE ENTERPRISE'S 21 REASONABLE AND NECESSARY OPERATING EXPENSES, INCLUDING THE 22 REPAYMENT OF ANY LOAN RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9)(b) OF 23 THIS SECTION.

(b) (I) ON JULY 1, 2024, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER
TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL
FUND TO THE FUND, AND ON JULY 1, 2025, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
TRANSFER ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL

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1 FUND TO THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING EXPENSES INCURRED 2 BY THE ENTERPRISE BEFORE IT RECEIVES FEE REVENUE OR REVENUE BOND 3 PROCEEDS. THE ENTERPRISE MAY ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY OF THE 4 MONEY TRANSFERRED, AND, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY STATE FISCAL RULE 5 OR GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE THAT COULD 6 OTHERWISE BE INTERPRETED TO REQUIRE A CONTRARY CONCLUSION, SUCH 7 TRANSFERS ARE A LOAN FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO THE ENTERPRISE THAT 8 MUST BE REPAID AND ARE NOT A GRANT FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 20 9 (2)(d) OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OR AS DEFINED IN 10 SECTION 24-77-102 (7). ALL MONEY TRANSFERRED AS A LOAN TO THE 11 ENTERPRISE IS CREDITED TO THE FUND OR TO AN ACCOUNT IN THE FUND. 12 LOAN LIABILITIES THAT ARE RECORDED IN THE FUND BUT NOT REQUIRED 13 TO BE PAID IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED 14 WHEN CALCULATING SUFFICIENT STATUTORY FUND BALANCE FOR 15 PURPOSES OF SECTION 24-75-109.

16 (II) NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2028, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL 17 REPAY THE LOAN OF FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS 18 RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (9)(b)(I) OF THIS SECTION, 19 INCLUDING ACCUMULATED INTEREST. INTEREST ACCRUES ON THE MONEY 20 BORROWED AT A RATE PER ANNUM ON THE MOST RECENTLY ISSUED 21 TEN-YEAR UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 22 ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT, AS REPORTED BY THE "WALL STREET 23 JOURNAL", BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, AND CONTINUING UNTIL THE DATE 24 UPON WHICH THE MONEY IS REPAID.

25 (III) THIS SUBSECTION (9)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
26 2029.

27 (10) (a) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2025, THE ENTERPRISE SHALL

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PROMULGATE RULES ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS RELATED TO
 SPECIFICATIONS AND TOLERANCES FOR RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE
 CHARGING EQUIPMENT AND METHODS OF RETAIL SALE AT PUBLICLY
 ACCESSIBLE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS TO PROMOTE EQUITY
 IN THE MARKETPLACE. THE ENTERPRISE MAY CONTRACT WITH THE
 DIVISION OF OIL AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE
 IN ORDER TO PROMULGATE THE RULES.

8 (b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BEGIN ENFORCING THE RULES ON
9 JULY 1, 2025, FOR ALL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS INSTALLED
10 BEFORE, ON, OR AFTER JULY 1, 2025.

(c) EACH RULE PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION
(10) MUST SUPPORT THE ENTERPRISE'S BUSINESS SERVICES, INCLUDING
REMEDIATION SERVICES, IN A MANNER THAT MAINTAINS COMPLIANCE
WITH THE FEDERAL AND STATE STATUTES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING AIR QUALITY.

16 (11) THE ENTERPRISE MAY ENGAGE THE SERVICES OF
17 CONTRACTORS AND CONSULTANTS, INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT AND THE
18 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, FOR PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL
19 ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE FOR THE PROVISION OF OTHER SERVICES
20 RELATED TO THE CONDUCT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE ENTERPRISE.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-20-201, amend (2)
and (4.5)(a) as follows:

8-20-201. Definitions. As used in this part 2, unless the context
otherwise requires:

(2) "Fuel products" means all gasoline; aviation gasoline; aviation
turbine fuel; diesel; jet fuel; fuel oil; biodiesel; biodiesel blends;
kerosene; all alcohol blended fuels; liquefied petroleum gas; gas or

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gaseous compounds, including hydrogen; natural gas, including
 compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas; ELECTRICITY WHEN
 USED TO FUEL ELECTRIC VEHICLES; and all other volatile, flammable, or
 combustible liquids that are produced, compounded, and offered for sale
 or used for the purpose of generating heat, light, or power in internal
 combustion engines or fuel cells, for cleaning, or for any other similar
 usage.

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(4.5) (a) "Motor fuel" means:

9 (I) Any liquid or gas used as fuel to generate power in engines or 10 motors; AND

(II) ELECTRICITY FOR RETAIL ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING.

12 SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, 13 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 14 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for 15 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state 16 institutions.