CHAPTER 375

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE BILL 10-213

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AN ACT

CONCERNING COMMITTEES CREATED BY THE COLORADO GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT OPERATE DURING THE INTERIM.

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

SECTION 1. 2-3-303.3, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-3-303.3. Interim studies. (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1), the legislative council created in section 2-3-301 (1) shall meet during the regular session each year for the purpose of reviewing and prioritizing bills and joint resolutions that create or authorize any studies to be conducted during the interim or that allocate any additional legislative staff resources during the interim. After the general assembly has adjourned, if issues are brought to the attention of the executive committee of the legislative council and the executive committee determines that the issues are appropriate for being addressed by an interim study and are the result of changed circumstances or new circumstances, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection (1), the executive committee of the legislative council may provide for the conduct of additional interim studies by adopting a resolution.

(b) No studies shall be created or authorized to be conducted during the 2010 interim.

(2) The legislative council created in section 2-3-301 (1) shall be the committee of reference for all bills and joint resolutions that create or authorize any studies to be conducted during the interim or that allocate any additional legislative staff resources during the interim. In addition, if at any point in the legislative process a bill or joint resolution is amended to include the creation or authorization of an

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.
SECTION 2. 2-2-1404 (4) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-2-1404. Economic opportunity poverty reduction task force - creation - membership. (4) (b) The task force shall meet during each interim at least four times and additionally as convened by the chairperson; EXCEPT THAT THE TASK FORCE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM.

SECTION 3. 2-2-1405 (3) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-2-1405. Economic opportunity poverty reduction task force - duties. (3) (a) On or before January 15, 2010 JANUARY 15, 2012, and on or before January 15 each year thereafter, the task force shall prepare a written report to the general assembly that includes a summary of the work accomplished by the task force and such legislative recommendations to the general assembly as it deems necessary concerning matters studied by the task force.

SECTION 4. 2-3-1503 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2-3-1503. Legislative emergency epidemic response committee - creation - membership - duties. (1) (a) There is hereby created a legislative emergency epidemic response committee. The legislative committee shall develop a plan for the response by, and continuation of operations of, the general assembly and the legislative service agencies in the event of an emergency epidemic. The legislative committee shall cooperate and coordinate with the council, the division, the department, and the GEEERC in developing the plan. The legislative committee shall develop and submit the plan to the speaker of the house of representatives, the governor, the executive director of the department, the council, the director of the division, and the GEEERC no later than July 1, 2008. The legislative committee shall meet at least annually to review and amend the plan as necessary and shall provide any updated plan to the persons or entities specified in this paragraph (a); EXCEPT THAT THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM. The legislative committee shall provide information to and fully cooperate with the council, the division, the department, and the GEEERC in fulfilling its duties under this section.

SECTION 5. 10-16-221 (1) (f), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

10-16-221. Health care task force - creation - duties - repeal. (1) (f) The task force shall meet at least four times per year and as convened by the chairperson; EXCEPT THAT THE TASK FORCE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM.

SECTION 6. 18-1.9-103 (2) (a), (2) (b), and (2) (c) (I), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

18-1.9-103. Legislative oversight committee for the continuing examination of the treatment of persons with mental illness who are involved in the criminal and juvenile justice systems - creation - duties. (2) Duties. (a) The committee shall meet at least once on or before August 1, 2004. Beginning in 2005 and
continuing each year thereafter through 2014, the committee shall meet at least three times each year and at such other times as it deems necessary; except that the committee shall not meet during the 2010 interim.

(b) (I) The committee shall be responsible for the oversight of the task force and shall submit annual reports to the general assembly regarding the findings and recommendations of the task force. In addition, the committee may recommend legislative changes which shall be treated as bills recommended by an interim legislative committee for purposes of any introduction deadlines or bill limitations imposed by the joint rules of the general assembly.

(II) The provisions of subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (b) shall not apply during the suspension of the committee during the 2010 interim.

(c) (I) The committee shall submit a report to the general assembly by January 15, 2005, and by each January 15 thereafter through January 15, 2010, and by January 15, 2012, and by each January 15 thereafter through January 15, 2015. The annual reports shall summarize the issues addressing the treatment of persons with mental illness who are involved in the criminal and juvenile justice systems that have been considered and any recommended legislative proposals.

SECTION 7. The introductory portion to 18-1.9-104 (2) (f), 18-1.9-104 (3) (a) and (3) (b), and the introductory portion to 18-1.9-104 (3) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

18-1.9-104. Mentally ill offender task force - creation - membership - duties.
(2) Issues for study. The task force shall examine the identification, diagnosis, and treatment of persons with mental illness who are involved in the state criminal and juvenile justice systems, including an examination of liability, safety, and cost as they relate to these issues. The task force shall specifically consider, but need not be limited to, the following issues:

(f) Beginning July 1, 2009 through July 1, 2014, the following issues:

(3) Additional duties of the task force. The task force shall provide guidance and make findings and recommendations to the committee for its development of reports and legislative recommendations for modification of the criminal and juvenile justice systems, with respect to persons with mental illness who are involved in these systems. In addition, the task force shall:

(a) On or before August 1, 2004, and by each August 1 thereafter through August 1, 2013, except during the suspension of the committee during the 2010 interim, select a chair and a vice-chair from among its members;

(b) Meet at least six times each year from the date of the first meeting until January 1, 2015, or more often as directed by the chair of the committee; except that the committee shall not meet during the 2010 interim;

(e) Submit a report to the committee by October 1, 2004, and by each October 1 thereafter through October 1, 2009, and by October 1, 2011, and by each
OCTOBER 1 THEREAFTER THROUGH October 1, 2014, at a minimum specifying the following:

SECTION 8. 26-6.5-203 (2) (a) and (2) (d), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

26-6.5-203. Early childhood and school readiness legislative commission - creation - membership - duties - funding. (2) (a) Beginning on or before August 1, 2009, the commission shall meet at least six times annually and as needed thereafter; EXCEPT THAT THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM.

(d) The commission shall submit a report to the general assembly by January 15, 2010, January 15, 2012, and by January 15 each year thereafter. The annual reports shall summarize the issues studied by the commission concerning early childhood and school readiness, including but not limited to health care, mental health, parental involvement, and education.

SECTION 9. 26-22-105 (5) and (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

26-22-105. Evaluation and reporting. (5) On or before June 1, 2010, the division of criminal justice shall complete a comprehensive evaluation of the selected demonstration programs based on the data provided pursuant to subsection (3) of this section. Prior to preparing the evaluation, the division of criminal justice shall develop with the selected demonstration programs the comparison groups for the evaluation. The evaluation shall include analysis of the comparison groups. The division of criminal justice shall submit a final report, including an executive summary and recommendations, to the task force, the demonstration programs, and family advocacy coalitions for review. The division of criminal justice, the division of mental health, family advocacy coalitions, and the task force shall review the evaluation findings and jointly develop recommendations to be made to the legislative oversight committee.

(6) On or before July 1, 2010, the legislative oversight committee, after receiving a recommendation from the task force, shall make recommendations to the chairs of the health and human services committees of the house of representatives and the senate, or any successor committees, and the chairs of the judiciary committees of the house of representatives and the senate, or any successor committees, related to continuation or expansion throughout the state of the selected demonstration programs.

SECTION 10. 31-31-1001, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

31-31-1001. Police officers' and firefighters' pension reform commission - creation - duties - repeal. (3) (a) THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM.

(b) THIS SUBSECTION (3) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011.
SECTION 11. 37-98-102 (1)(a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

37-98-102.  Water resources review committee - creation.  (1)(a) For the purposes of contributing to and monitoring the conservation, use, development, and financing of the water resources of Colorado for the general welfare of its inhabitants and to review and propose water resources legislation, there is hereby created the water resources review committee, referred to in this article as the committee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chair as often as six times during even-numbered years and eight times during odd-numbered years to review and to propose water resources legislation and matters relating thereto. No more than two of such meetings may occur during periods other than the interim period; EXCEPT THAT THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM PERIOD. In connection with such review, EXCEPT DURING THE 2010 INTERIM PERIOD, the committee may take up to two field trips per year in connection with its mandate and shall consult with experts in the field of water conservation, quality, use, finance, and development. The department of natural resources, the state engineer, and the attorney general, together with the members and staff of the Colorado water conservation board, the Colorado water resources and power development authority, the Colorado water quality control commission, the department of public health and environment, the department of agriculture, and the great outdoors Colorado program, shall cooperate with the committee and with any persons assisting the committee in pursuing its responsibilities pursuant to this section. Further, the committee may utilize the legislative council staff to assist its members in researching any matters.

SECTION 12. 37-98-103 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

37-98-103.  Annual recommendations - bill limitation - deadlines for introduction - repeal.  (1) The committee may report no more than three bills or other measures to the legislative council created in section 2-3-301, C.R.S., unless a two-thirds majority of the members of the committee vote to report a greater number; EXCEPT THAT THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT REPORT ANY BILLS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN 2010. No bill shall be reported to the legislative council unless a two-thirds majority of the appointed members of the committee vote to report such bill to the legislative council. Such greater number shall not exceed one bill or other measure per member. These bills shall be exempt from any applicable bill limit imposed on the individual committee members sponsoring such bills if the bills have been approved by the legislative council no later than October 15 in even-numbered years and November 15 in odd-numbered years.

SECTION 13. 42-4-307 (13), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-4-307.  Powers and duties of the department of public health and environment - division of administration - automobile inspection and readjustment program - basic emissions program - enhanced emissions program - clean screen program.  (13) Beginning July 1, 2007, and on or before October 15 of each year thereafter THROUGH OCTOBER 15, 2009, AND NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2011, AND EACH OCTOBER 15 THEREAFTER, the department of public health and environment, in cooperation with the contractor, shall brief the transportation legislation review committee on the cost and effectiveness of the high emitter program. The briefing shall compare the effectiveness of the high emitter
program to other emissions reduction options, including, but not limited to, the
elimination of the AIR program, the elimination of the requirement for regular
motor vehicle emissions inspections, and the appropriate reduction of the emissions
inspection fee.

SECTION 14. 43-2-145 (1) (b) and (1.3) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, are
amended to read:

43-2-145. Transportation legislation review - committee - repeal. (1)(b) The
committee shall meet at least once each year to review transportation, traffic, and
motor vehicle legislation and may consult with experts in the fields of traffic
regulation, the licensing of drivers, the registration and titling of motor vehicles, and
highway construction and planning and may consult with the personnel of the
department of transportation or the department of revenue as may be necessary;
EXCEPT THAT THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE 2010 INTERIM. All
personnel of the department of transportation, department of revenue, or any state
agency or political subdivision of Colorado that regulates motor vehicles or traffic
shall cooperate with the committee and with any persons assisting the committee in
carrying out its duties pursuant to this section. The committee may review any
phase of department of transportation operations, including planning and
construction of highway projects, prior to and during the completion of such
projects.

(1.3) (b) Each agency shall share information and coordinate efforts with other
agencies in the research, planning, and development of mass transit systems to avoid
the creation of duplicative or conflicting mass transit systems in the state. The
committee may review the operations of any agency to ensure compliance with the
provisions of this paragraph (b). In connection with the review of the committee,
any agency required to share information and coordinate efforts in accordance with
this paragraph (b) shall report to the committee no later than August 15, 2001, and
each August 15 thereafter THROUGH AUGUST 15, 2009, AND NO LATER THAN
AUGUST 15, 2011, AND EACH AUGUST 15 THEREAFTER regarding compliance with
this paragraph (b).

SECTION 15. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines,
and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health, and safety.

Approved: June 7, 2010