

HB1105_L.009

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Finance.

HB21-1105 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 2, strike "**amend**" and substitute
2 "**repeal**".

3 Page 3, strike lines 7 through 9 and substitute:

4 "~~(f) For providing energy-related assistance to low-income~~
5 ~~households as specified in section 40-8.7-112:~~

6 ~~(f) to (IV) Repealed.~~

7 ~~(V) (A) For the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 2012, and~~
8 ~~each state fiscal year thereafter, through the state fiscal year commencing~~
9 ~~July 1, 2023, thirteen million dollars as follows: Twenty-five percent to~~
10 ~~the department of human services low-income energy assistance fund~~
11 ~~created in section 40-8.7-112 (1); twenty-five percent to the energy~~
12 ~~outreach Colorado low-income energy assistance fund created in section~~
13 ~~40-8.7-112 (2)(a); and fifty percent to the Colorado energy office~~
14 ~~low-income energy assistance fund created in section 40-8.7-112 (3)(a).~~

15 ~~(B) This subsection (2)(f)(V) is repealed, effective July 1, 2025."~~

16 Page 4, strike line 7 and substitute "assistance IN THE COLORADO ENERGY
17 OFFICE. THE COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE SHALL STAFF THE COMMISSION AS
18 NEEDED."

19 Page 8, after line 4 insert:

20 "**SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 40-8.7-102, **add** (3)
21 as follows:

22 **40-8.7-102. Legislative declaration.** (3) THE GENERAL
23 ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS THAT, ALTHOUGH WATER UTILITIES ARE NOT
24 REGULATED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, ALLOWING WATER
25 UTILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN A WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ON A
26 VOLUNTARY BASIS WILL PROVIDE AN EFFICIENT MEANS FOR SOME WATER
27 UTILITIES TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THEIR CUSTOMERS IN
28 LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS."

29 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

30 Page 8, line 21, before "SERVICE" insert "OR WASTEWATER".

31 Page 10, strike lines 21 through 24 and substitute "PROGRAM TO MEET ITS
32 CUSTOMERS' WATER ASSISTANCE NEEDS. IN DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR

1 ASSISTANCE, A WATER UTILITY MAY ADOPT THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED IN
2 SECTION 40-3-106 (1)(d) OR ALTERNATIVE CRITERIA AS DETERMINED BY
3 THE WATER UTILITY."

4 Page 11, after line 5 insert:

5 "(4) THE ORGANIZATION SHALL USE THE MONEY COLLECTED FROM
6 EACH WATER UTILITY PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO HELP FINANCE
7 DIRECT WATER UTILITY BILL PAYMENT ASSISTANCE TO LOW-INCOME
8 HOUSEHOLDS SERVED BY THAT WATER UTILITY."

9 Page 12, line 25, strike "TERRITORY." and substitute "TERRITORY OR
10 WITHIN THE SERVICE TERRITORY OF AN AFFILIATED INVESTOR-OWNED
11 UTILITY."

12 Page 12, after line 25 insert:

13 "(c) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 40-3-114, A UTILITY REGULATED
14 BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION MAY USE FUNDS COLLECTED FROM
15 ITS CUSTOMERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLYING WITH A STATUTORY
16 REQUIREMENT TO FINANCE LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE
17 PROGRAMS."

18 Page 16, line 14, strike "TERRITORY;" and substitute "TERRITORY OR
19 WITHIN THE SERVICE TERRITORY OF AN AFFILIATED INVESTOR-OWNED
20 UTILITY;"

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