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ADDRESS TO COLORADO STATE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
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Title: Needed Fairness In Tax And Debenture Distribution/Allocation Regarding HB17-1242
"New Transportation Infrastructure Funding Revenue" Bill

HONORABLE COLORADO STATE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS I ASK YOU TO MORE
THAN CONSIDER FINANCIAL FAIRNESS BE IMPLEMENTED IN SOME WAY IN BILL HB17-1242.

PROHIBIT TAX REVENUES, DEBENTURE REVENUES AND THE LIKE FROM BEING ALLOCATED OR
USED UNLESS FAIRNESS IS SATISFIED.

MODIFY STATUTORY PROVISIONS TO PROMOTE THE MORE EQUITABLE CONTRIBUTION,
ALLOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROJECT FUNDS AMONG AFFECTED COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES,
LOCAL COMMERCIAL AND LOCAL INDUSTRIAL AREAS, MINORITY OWNED BUSINESS CLUSTERS AND
MINORITY NEIGHBORHOODS.

THE REASON I BRING THIS UP TO YOU IS THAT IN CARBONDALE, COLORADO THE TOWN'S
"CIRCULAR BUS ROUTE" AND THE ROARING FORK TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OPERATE TOGETHER
IN PLAIN SIGHT TO AVOID AND IGNORE LATINO RETAIL/BUSINESS CLUSTERS.

THE "CARBONDALE CIRCULAR BUS ROUTE" DOES NOT STOP AT ANY LATINO BUSINESS/RETAIL
CLUSTERS ALONG ITS BUS ROUTE. MANY PATRONS OF THESE BUSINESSES TEND TO TRAVEL BY
PUBLIC TRANSIT. THEY MUST WALK LONG DISTANCES TO AND FROM THE TWO NEAREST BUS STOPS
TO PATRONIZE THESE LATINO BUSINESSES. THIS IS VISIBLE DISCRIMINATION FOR YOUR NAKED EYE
TO SEE 7 DAYS A WEEK.