

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Transportation, Housing & Local Government.

HB24-1366 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and  
2 substitute:

3       **"SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-38.5-123 as  
4 follows:

5       **24-38.5-123. Prioritization criteria for state programs.** (1) THE  
6 COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
7 OF LOCAL AFFAIRS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SHALL  
8 CONDUCT, OR CONTRACT WITH ONE OR MORE ENTITIES TO CONDUCT, A  
9 STUDY ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2025, ON:

10       (a) THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM FOR LOCAL  
11 GOVERNMENT GREEN CERTIFICATION;

12       (b) THE DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTION, AND NECESSARY ELEMENTS OF  
13 SUSTAINABLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY PLANS; AND

14       (c) HOW STATE AGENCIES COULD ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN  
15 THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE LOCAL  
16 GOVERNMENT PLANS, INCLUDING THROUGH ASSISTING LOCAL  
17 GOVERNMENTS APPLYING FOR RELEVANT GRANT AWARDS.

18       (2) A GREEN CERTIFICATION SYSTEM, AS DESCRIBED IN  
19 SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, IS A SYSTEM IN WHICH STATE  
20 AGENCIES PRIORITIZE AWARDING STATE GRANTS AND FUNDS TO THOSE  
21 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN AWARDED A GREEN  
22 CERTIFICATION. TO BE AWARDED A GREEN CERTIFICATION, A LOCAL  
23 GOVERNMENT WOULD NEED TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SUSTAINABLE  
24 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY PLAN.

25       (3) A SUSTAINABLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY PLAN, AS  
26 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(b) OF THIS SECTION, MUST INCLUDE, BUT IS  
27 NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

28       (a) GOALS, PLANS, AND STRATEGIES RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING:

29           (I) REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS POLLUTION IN FURTHERANCE OF  
30 THE GOVERNOR'S "COLORADO GREENHOUSE GAS POLLUTION REDUCTION  
31 ROADMAP 2.0" RELEASED ON FEBRUARY 26, 2024, OR AS AMENDED OR  
32 SUPERSEDED BY A NEW VERSION THEREAFTER;

33           (II) CONVERTING MOTOR VEHICLES TO ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLES;  
34           (III) SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
35 CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE;

36           (IV) REDUCING EMISSIONS FROM WASTE THROUGH POLICIES AND  
37 PROGRAMS THAT INCREASE RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING, INCREASE  
38 WASTE DIVERSION RATES, AND REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM WASTE HAULING;

39           (V) ESTABLISHING GOALS FOR REDUCED PER CAPITA VEHICLE  
40 MILES TRAVELED;

41           (VI) REDUCING PER CAPITA VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED THROUGH

1 METHODS INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, ENCOURAGING  
2 EMPLOYER COMMUTE PROGRAMS, AND DEVELOPING BICYCLE AND  
3 PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE;

4 (VII) REDUCING PER CAPITA VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED, BUILDING  
5 ENERGY USE, AND EMISSIONS FROM CONVERSION OF NATURAL AND  
6 WORKING LANDS BY UPDATING LOCAL LAND USE CODES TO ALLOW AND  
7 ENCOURAGE COMPACT DEVELOPMENT AND MINIMIZE GREENFIELD  
8 DEVELOPMENT;

9 (VIII) PROTECTING OR RESTORING THE TREE CANOPY;

10 (IX) SUPPORTING RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT;

11 (X) MITIGATING VULNERABILITY TO ENVIRONMENTAL  
12 DEGRADATION OR CLIMATE CHANGE SUCH AS AN INCREASED RISK OF  
13 DROUGHT, FLOOD, OR WILDFIRE;

14 (XI) REDUCING EMISSIONS FROM THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT  
15 THROUGH METHODS INCLUDING ADOPTING ENERGY EFFICIENCY BUILDING  
16 CODES AND ENCOURAGING BUILDING ELECTRIFICATION; AND

17 (XII) ANY OTHER CLIMATE-RELATED GOALS, PLANS, OR  
18 STRATEGIES; AND

19 (b) A DESCRIPTION OF ANY MONEY FROM THE FEDERAL  
20 GOVERNMENT, THE STATE, OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT THE LOCAL  
21 GOVERNMENT HAS RECEIVED FOR IMPLEMENTING A GOAL, PLAN, OR  
22 STRATEGY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

23 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
24 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
25 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
26 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
27 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
28 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
29 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
30 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
31 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.".

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