

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

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Date

April 8, 2021

Committee on State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB21-1150 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Finance with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 5, strike lines 21 through 27.

2 Page 6, strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute:

3           "(c) (I) THE ONA SHALL CONVENE STAKEHOLDERS AND STATE  
4 AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, THE  
5 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY  
6 AGENCIES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT,  
7 TO DEVELOP A RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ON WHAT  
8 STATE AGENCIES OR OFFICES ARE BEST SUITED TO ADMINISTER THE  
9 COLORADO REFUGEE SERVICES PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 26-2-138,  
10 AND ANY RELATED PROGRAMS, SO THAT THE ONA'S REFUGEE  
11 INTEGRATION GOALS ARE MET OR EXCEEDED.

12           (II) THE ONA SHALL COMPLETE A DRAFT RECOMMENDATION  
13 BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2022, AND SHALL COMPLETE A FINAL  
14 RECOMMENDATION, WHICH THE ONA SHALL PROVIDE TO THE GOVERNOR'S  
15 OFFICE, NO LATER THAN ONE YEAR FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS  
16 SUBSECTION (1)(c).

17           (III) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT ON THE ONA, INCLUDING  
18 THE DRAFT AND FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS  
19 (1)(c)(I) AND (1)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION, AS PART OF THE DEPARTMENT'S  
20 ANNUAL PRESENTATION TO ITS LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE  
21 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-7-203. IF NECESSARY, THE COMMITTEE MAY  
22 MAKE A RECOMMENDATION THAT A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
23 SPONSOR APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION REGARDING THE COLORADO REFUGEE

1 SERVICES PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 26-2-138."

2 Page 6, strike lines 17 and 18 and substitute:

3 "(g) COORDINATE WITH THE COLORADO REFUGEE SERVICES  
4 PROGRAM CREATED IN SECTION 26-2-138 TO ALIGN IT WITH THE GOALS OF  
5 THE ONA, AND MANAGE OR DIRECT ANY OTHER RELEVANT PROGRAMS".

6 Page 6, line 22, strike "FUTURE;" and substitute "FUTURE, SO THAT THE  
7 STATE'S SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS AND THE STATE'S APPROACH TO  
8 IMMIGRANT INTEGRATION ARE COHESIVE, INTEGRATED, AND ELEGANT;".

9 Page 10, strike lines 19 through 27.

10 Page 11, strike lines 1 through 19 and substitute:

11 "SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-2-138, amend  
12 (4) as follows:

13 **26-2-138. Refugee services program - state plan - rules -**  
14 **definitions.** (4) The program may provide other services or assistance to  
15 support refugee resettlement and integration. THE PROGRAM SHALL ASSIST  
16 THE COLORADO OFFICE OF NEW AMERICANS IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES  
17 AND GOALS AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 8-3.7-103 (2)(g), INCLUDING THE  
18 SHARING OF OUTCOMES, PARTNERSHIPS, AND THE ALIGNMENT OF MISSION  
19 AND PURPOSE."

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