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HOUSE BILL 16-1031

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Carver,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

House Committees
Transportation & Energy

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT THE TRANSPORTATION
102 LEGISLATION REVIEW COMMITTEE STUDY THE
103 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DISTRICTS OF THE STATE TO
104 DETERMINE WHETHER THEY SHOULD BE MODIFIED.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. Transportation commission members are appointed from 11 statutorily defined transportation commission districts (districts), and the general assembly

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

has not modified the number or boundaries of the districts since 1991. The bill requires the transportation legislation review committee (TLRC) to study the districts during the 2016 legislative interim to determine whether the number and boundaries of the districts should be modified and, if so, what specific modifications should be made.

Legislative council staff, with the cooperation of the department of transportation, must assist the TLRC in conducting the study by preparing and presenting to the TLRC no later than August 1, 2016, a research study that documents changes since the last time the general assembly modified the number and boundaries of the districts, to include population, number of lane miles, and annual vehicle miles traveled for each of the districts and taking into account existing county and municipal boundaries, regional transportation areas and districts, and transportation planning regions. The committee must hold public hearings in the major geographical regions of the state regarding potential modifications to the number and boundaries of the districts and may recommend legislation to modify the number and boundaries of the districts based on the results of the research study and public comments received about the study.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 43-2-145.7 as
3 follows:

4 **43-2-145.7. Transportation legislation review committee -**
5 **study of transportation commission districts.** (1) IN ADDITION TO ITS
6 OTHER DUTIES, DURING THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM THE
7 TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION REVIEW COMMITTEE SHALL STUDY THE
8 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED IN SECTION
9 43-1-106 (2) TO DETERMINE:

10 (a) WHETHER THE NUMBER AND BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICTS
11 SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO ENSURE THAT THE COMMISSION IS ABLE TO
12 CARRY OUT ITS FUNCTIONS IN PROVIDING A SAFE AND EFFICIENT
13 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT SERVES THE NEEDS OF THE ENTIRE STATE;
14 AND

15 (b) IF MODIFICATIONS ARE APPROPRIATE, WHAT SPECIFIC

1 MODIFICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE.

2 (2) LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF SHALL ASSIST THE
3 TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION REVIEW COMMITTEE IN CONDUCTING THE
4 STUDY REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION. SPECIFICALLY, NO
5 LATER THAN AUGUST 1, 2016, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF, WITH THE
6 COOPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SHALL PREPARE
7 AND PRESENT TO THE COMMITTEE A RESEARCH STUDY THAT DOCUMENTS
8 CHANGES SINCE THE LAST TIME THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MODIFIED THE
9 NUMBER AND BOUNDARIES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
10 DISTRICTS, TO INCLUDE POPULATION, NUMBER OF LANE MILES, AND
11 ANNUAL VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED FOR EACH OF THE DISTRICTS AND
12 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT EXISTING COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES,
13 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AREAS AND DISTRICTS, AND
14 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING REGIONS. THE COMMITTEE SHALL HOLD
15 PUBLIC HEARINGS IN THE MAJOR GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS OF THE STATE
16 REGARDING POTENTIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE NUMBER AND BOUNDARIES
17 OF THE DISTRICTS.

18 (3) THE COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND LEGISLATION TO MODIFY
19 THE NUMBER AND BOUNDARIES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
20 DISTRICTS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH STUDY AND PUBLIC
21 COMMENTS RECEIVED ABOUT THE STUDY. SUCH LEGISLATION IS DEEMED
22 LEGISLATION RECOMMENDED BY AN INTERIM LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
23 FOR PURPOSES OF ANY INTRODUCTION DEADLINES OR BILL LIMITATIONS
24 IMPOSED BY THE JOINT RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; EXCEPT THAT
25 THE LEGISLATION IS NOT SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY OR APPROVAL OF THE
26 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

27 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.