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Seventieth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

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**HOUSE BILL 16-1077**

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**House Committees**

State, Veterans, & Military Affairs  
Legislative Council  
Appropriations

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE RECREATION OF THE STATUTORY REVISION**  
102              **COMMITTEE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN**  
103              **APPROPRIATION.**

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**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/bills summaries>.)*

The statutory revision committee (committee), created in 1977 and repealed in 1985, was a standing body tasked with making an ongoing investigation into statutory defects and anachronisms. The bill recreates the committee.

The recreated committee is comprised of 8 members, with the

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.*



1           (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION, THE  
2 MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE MUST BE APPOINTED NO LATER THAN TEN  
3 DAYS AFTER THE CONVENING OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF EACH  
4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY. MEMBERSHIP ON THE COMMITTEE OF EACH SUCH  
5 APPOINTIVE MEMBER TERMINATES UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF HIS OR HER  
6 SUCCESSOR OR UPON TERMINATION OF HIS OR HER OFFICE IN THE GENERAL  
7 ASSEMBLY, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.

8           (3) A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF A MEMBER MUST BE  
9 IMMEDIATELY FILLED BY THE ORIGINAL APPOINTING AUTHORITY.

10          (4) ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE MAY SERVE FOR SUCCEEDING  
11 TERMS ON THE COMMITTEE.

12          (5) THE COMMITTEE SHALL SELECT FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS A  
13 CHAIRPERSON AND A VICE-CHAIRPERSON. THE CHAIRPERSON AND  
14 VICE-CHAIRPERSON SHALL NOT BE AFFILIATED WITH THE SAME POLITICAL  
15 PARTY. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (9) OF THIS SECTION, THE  
16 CHAIR SERVES AS CHAIR FOR THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE INTERIM IMMEDIATELY  
18 FOLLOWING, AND AS VICE-CHAIR WHEN THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
19 COMMENCES; THE VICE-CHAIR SERVES AS CHAIR FROM THE  
20 COMMENCEMENT OF THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION THROUGH THE  
21 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING.

22          (6) THE COMMITTEE MAY MEET AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY, BUT IT  
23 SHALL MEET AT LEAST TWICE IN EACH CALENDAR YEAR. THE COMMITTEE  
24 MAY MEET DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS AND DURING THE INTERIM  
25 BETWEEN SESSIONS.

26          (7) MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR  
27 NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES

1 AND PAID THE SAME PER DIEM COMPENSATION AS PROVIDED BY LAW FOR  
2 MEMBERS OF INTERIM LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES FOR EACH DAY OF  
3 ATTENDANCE.

4 (8) THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE LEGAL SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE  
5 STAFF ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE.

6 (9) (a) IN ORDER FOR THE COMMITTEE TO BEGIN ITS WORK DURING  
7 THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM, INITIAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE  
8 COMMITTEE MUST BE MADE AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING  
9 THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF HOUSE BILL 16-1077, ENACTED IN 2016. FOR THE  
10 PURPOSES OF WORKING WITH STAFF TO ORGANIZE THE COMMITTEE AND  
11 ARRANGE FOR ITS FIRST MEETING, THE FIRST MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE  
12 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TEMPORARILY SERVES AS  
13 CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE. A CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR MUST BE SELECTED  
14 AT THE FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING DURING THAT INTERIM. THE CHAIR  
15 AND VICE-CHAIR HOLD THOSE POSITIONS THROUGH THE COMMENCEMENT  
16 OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTY-FIRST GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY.

18 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (9) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
19 2018.

20 **2-3-902. Duties of committee.** (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL:

21 (a) MAKE AN ONGOING EXAMINATION OF THE STATUTES OF THE  
22 STATE AND CURRENT JUDICIAL DECISIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
23 DISCOVERING DEFECTS AND ANACHRONISMS IN THE LAW AND  
24 RECOMMENDING NEEDED REFORMS;

25 (b) RECEIVE, SOLICIT, AND CONSIDER PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE  
26 LAW RECOMMENDED BY THE AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE, ANY BAR  
27 ASSOCIATION, OR OTHER LEARNED BODIES;

1 (c) RECEIVE, SOLICIT, AND CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS FROM  
2 JUSTICES, JUDGES, LEGISLATORS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS, LAWYERS,  
3 AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY AS TO DEFECTS AND ANACHRONISMS IN THE  
4 LAW;

5 (d) RECOMMEND, UPON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE BY AT LEAST FIVE  
6 MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, LEGISLATION FROM TIME TO TIME TO  
7 EFFECT SUCH CHANGES IN THE LAW AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO  
8 MODIFY OR ELIMINATE ANTIQUATED, REDUNDANT, OR CONTRADICTORY  
9 RULES OF LAW AND TO BRING THE LAW OF THIS STATE INTO HARMONY  
10 WITH MODERN CONDITIONS; AND

11 (e) REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON OR  
12 BEFORE NOVEMBER 15 OF EACH YEAR TO THE LEGISLATURE AND, IF IT  
13 DEEMS ADVISABLE, ATTACH TO ITS REPORT COPIES OF ANY PROPOSED  
14 BILLS INTENDED TO CARRY OUT ANY OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS.

15 (2) ANY LEGISLATION PROPOSED BY THE COMMITTEE AND  
16 SPONSORED BY A COMMITTEE MEMBER UNDER PARAGRAPH (d) OF  
17 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE FIVE-BILL  
18 LIMITATION SPECIFIED IN RULE 24 OF THE JOINT RULES OF THE SENATE AND  
19 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

20 **SECTION 2. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2016-17 state fiscal  
21 year, \$21,628 is appropriated to the legislative department. This  
22 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the  
23 department may use this appropriation as follows:

24 (a) \$16,756 for use by the committee on legal services, which  
25 amount is based on an assumption that the committee on legal services  
26 will require an additional 0.3 FTE; and

27 (b) \$4,872 for use by the general assembly for legislator travel and

1 per diem.

2 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
3 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
4 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.