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HOUSE BILL 16-1447

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A 2016-17 STATE FISCAL YEAR GENERAL FUND TRANSFER
102 TO THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AUTHORITY CASH FUND TO
103 IMPROVE THE COLORADO STATE FAIR'S HORSE SHOW ARENA
104 AREA.

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>.)

The bill makes a one-time general fund transfer in the 2016-17 state fiscal year to the Colorado state fair authority cash fund for the purpose of renovating and enhancing the horse show arena area facilities

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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used at the Colorado state fair.

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

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly
3 hereby finds and declares that:

4 (a) The Colorado state fair has a tremendous positive effect on the
5 state's agriculture, the state's industry, Pueblo county, and the state as a
6 whole. Every year the Colorado state fair hosts family activities, fun-filled
7 events, concerts, rodeos, arts, industrial presentations, and agriculture
8 presentations, which promote and encourage agriculture, mineral, and
9 livestock growth across Colorado and draw thousands of people to the
10 state and Pueblo county.

11 (b) The Work Projects Administration constructed the Colorado
12 state fair horse arena during the Great Depression. The horse arena is now
13 in significant need of maintenance and repair. The horse arena hosts a
14 number of horse shows including roping contests, multiple non-fair shows
15 of quarter horses and paints, and is home to one of the largest 4-H horse
16 shows in the country, and other non-fair 4-H horse shows. The horse
17 arena serves as Colorado's largest outdoor venue for equestrian sports and
18 represents Colorado's proud traditions.

19 (c) The horse arena also serves as an integral part of emergency
20 planning for the Colorado state fairgrounds, as it provides shelter to
21 livestock and other animals in the event of an emergency.

22 (d) It is important that the state, in conjunction with other
23 contributing parties or through gifts, grants, or donations, continues to
24 ensure the sustainability of the Colorado state fair in order to preserve and
25 continue to showcase Colorado's agriculture.

1 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 35-65-107, **add** (5)
2 as follows:

3 **35-65-107. State fair fund - lease and use of facilities - repeal.**

4 (5) (a) FOR THE 2016-17 STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE STATE TREASURER
5 SHALL TRANSFER ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL
6 FUND TO THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AUTHORITY CASH FUND CREATED IN
7 THIS SECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING AND ENHANCING THE
8 HORSE SHOW ARENA AREA FACILITIES USED AT THE COLORADO STATE
9 FAIR.

10 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018.

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