

CHAPTER 282

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE BILL 16-156

BY SENATOR(S) Scheffel and Guzman, Cadman, Heath;
 also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Duran and DelGrosso, Hullinghorst, Arndt, Conti, Court, Kraft-Tharp, Lawrence, Ryden, Tyler,
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AN ACT

CONCERNING CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MODIFYING THE MANNER IN WHICH MEMBERS ARE APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEES, ALLOWING TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEES, AND SPECIFYING THAT THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ALSO SERVE AS CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-101, **amend** (1) as follows:

2-3-101. Legislative audit committee - membership - meetings - powers and duties. (1) There is hereby created a legislative audit committee, **hereinafter** referred to IN THIS PART 1 as the "committee". The ~~membership of the committee shall consist~~ CONSISTS of four senators, two from each major political party, to be appointed by the president AND THE MINORITY LEADER of the senate, RESPECTIVELY, with the approval of a majority of the members elected to the senate and four representatives, two from each major political party, to be appointed by the speaker AND THE MINORITY LEADER of the house of representatives, RESPECTIVELY, with the approval of a majority of the members elected to the house of representatives. Appointments to the committee shall be made no later than sixty days after the convening of the first regular session of the general assembly held in each odd-numbered year. AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARILY REPLACE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THAT APPOINTING AUTHORITY; EXCEPT THAT, A TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT DOES NOT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE APPLICABLE BODY. Membership on the committee ~~shall terminate~~ TERMINATES with the appointment of a member's successor or upon the termination of a member's term of office in the general assembly, whichever occurs first, and any member may

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

be appointed to succeed himself OR HERSELF on the committee. Vacancies in the committee's membership shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments; except that the approval of the members elected to the general assembly is not necessary if any such appointment is made when the general assembly is not in session.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-301, **amend** (1) and (2) as follows:

2-3-301. Legislative council created - executive committee created. (1) There is hereby created a legislative council, referred to in this part 3 as the "council", which ~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of an executive committee, six senators ~~to be~~ WITH MAJORITY PARTY MEMBERS appointed by the president of the senate AND MINORITY PARTY MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE, with the approval of a majority vote of the members elected to the senate, and six representatives ~~to be~~ WITH MAJORITY PARTY MEMBERS appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives AND MINORITY PARTY MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, with the approval of a majority vote of the members elected to the house of representatives. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (1.5) of this section, the executive committee ~~shall be comprised~~ CONSISTS of the president of the senate, the majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the majority leader of the house of representatives, and the minority leader of the house of representatives, all of whom ~~shall be~~ ARE ex officio members of the council. The speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate shall alternately serve as the ~~chairman~~ CHAIR and ~~vice-chairman~~ VICE-CHAIR of the executive committee and shall serve for one-year terms. All ex officio members of the council shall have and MAY exercise all the powers, privileges, and duties of other members.

(2) Appointments or reappointments of all members of the council shall be made no later than ten days after the convening of the first regular session of each general assembly. AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARILY REPLACE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THAT APPOINTING AUTHORITY; EXCEPT THAT, A TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT DOES NOT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE APPLICABLE BODY. Membership on the council ~~shall terminate~~ TERMINATES with the appointment of a member's successor or upon the termination of a member's term of office in the general assembly, whichever first occurs. A member may be appointed to succeed himself or herself.

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-302, **amend** (1) as follows:

2-3-302. Organization - meetings. (1) The ~~council shall select a chairman and vice-chairman from among its membership, who shall serve for one-year terms~~ CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL SERVE AS THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL; and ~~it~~ THE COUNCIL shall prescribe its own rules of procedure, and may appoint subcommittees from the membership of the general assembly and other persons to assist in carrying out its functions.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-502, **amend** (3) and (4) as

follows:

2-3-502. Committee on legal services - membership - duties. (3) The membership of the committee ~~shall consist~~ CONSISTS of ten members of the general assembly. The ten legislative members of the committee ~~shall be~~ ARE as follows: The respective ~~chairmen~~ CHAIRS of the house and senate committees on judiciary or their respective designees; four members from the house of representatives, two from each major political party, one of whom shall be an attorney-at-law, if there is an attorney-at-law in each party, appointed by the speaker AND THE MINORITY LEADER of the house of representatives, RESPECTIVELY, with the approval of a majority of the members elected to the house of representatives; and four members from the senate, two from each major political party, one of whom shall be an attorney-at-law, if there is an attorney-at-law in each party, appointed by the president AND THE MINORITY LEADER of the senate, RESPECTIVELY, with the approval of a majority of the members elected to the senate.

(4) The eight appointive members of the committee shall be appointed no later than ten days after the convening of the first regular session of each general assembly. ~~except that initial appointments after June 13, 1985, shall be made within ten days after such date.~~ AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARILY REPLACE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THAT APPOINTING AUTHORITY. IN ADDITION, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARILY REPLACE THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY OR THE CHAIR'S RESPECTIVE DESIGNEE CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES MAY MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARILY REPLACE THE CHAIR OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE; EXCEPT THAT, A TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (4) DOES NOT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE APPLICABLE BODY. Membership on the committee of each such appointive member ~~shall terminate~~ TERMINATES upon the appointment of his OR HER successor or upon termination of A MEMBER'S TERM OF OFFICE in the general assembly, whichever first occurs. The membership of a judiciary committee ~~chairman shall terminate~~ CHAIR TERMINATES upon the termination of his OR HER TERM OF OFFICE in the designated position. Any member may be appointed to succeed himself OR HERSELF on the committee. Vacancies in the committee's membership shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments; except that the approval of the members elected to the general assembly is not necessary if any such appointment is made when the general assembly is not in session.

SECTION 5. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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