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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING MEASURES TO INCREASE TRANSPORTATION MODE**
102 **CHOICE TO REDUCE EMISSIONS.**

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://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. The bill requires the department of transportation (department), no later than October 31, 2025, to present a statewide mode choice assessment to the transportation legislation review committee, the transportation commission, and the Colorado energy office, which assessment must include recommendations for targets for 2030, 2035, 2040, 2045, and

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2050 for the department, metropolitan planning organizations, and transit providers that provide public transit to a population of 100,000 individuals or more (subject transit provider) for the share of total trips within a specified geographic area completed using certain transportation methods (mode choice targets).

No later than June 1, 2026, using certain criteria, the department must adopt rules establishing mode choice targets. The department must reassess the mode choice targets before each statewide plan development cycle.

No later than October 31, 2026, and every 3 years thereafter, the department, in coordination with the metropolitan planning organizations, must present a report to the transportation legislation review committee that provides certain information about the mode choice targets and the entities' plans to implement the mode choice targets (mode choice implementation plans).

No later than December 31, 2026, and every 5 years thereafter, the department, metropolitan planning organizations, subject transit providers, and local governments with a population of 25,000 individuals or more must each prepare a mode choice implementation plan, which must include certain information about the mode choice targets, a multimodal transportation gaps summary, and an analysis of certain projected greenhouse gas emissions.

The bill also allows:

- The nonattainment area air pollution mitigation enterprise to award grants for the development of mode choice implementation plans; and
- The multimodal transportation options fund to be used for the development of mode choice implementation plans.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 43-1-138 as**
3 **follows:**

4 **43-1-138. Transit and active transportation project inventory**
5 **- transportation planning - mode choice targets - report - definitions.**

6 **(1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE**
7 **REQUIRES:**

8 **(a) "METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION" MEANS A**
9 **METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION UNDER THE "FEDERAL TRANSIT**

1 ACT", 49 U.S.C. SEC. 5301 ET SEQ.

2 (b) "MODE CHOICE TARGET" MEANS A GOAL ESTABLISHED FOR THE
3 SHARE OF TOTAL TRIPS WITHIN A SPECIFIED GEOGRAPHIC AREA COMPLETED
4 USING BIKING, CARPOOLING, PUBLIC TRANSIT, SINGLE-OCCUPANCY
5 VEHICLES, OR WALKING.

6 (c) "STATE HIGHWAY" MEANS ANY HIGHWAY OWNED,
7 CONTROLLED, OR MAINTAINED BY THE STATE, INCLUDING FEDERAL-AID
8 PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SYSTEMS OR THE INTERSTATE SYSTEM. "STATE
9 HIGHWAY" DOES NOT INCLUDE A PUBLIC HIGHWAY OPERATED BY A PUBLIC
10 HIGHWAY AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE "PUBLIC HIGHWAY
11 AUTHORITY LAW", PART 5 OF ARTICLE 4 OF THIS TITLE 43.

12 (d) "SUBJECT LOCAL GOVERNMENT" MEANS A HOME RULE OR
13 STATUTORY CITY, TOWN, COUNTY, OR CITY AND COUNTY WITH A
14 POPULATION OF FIVE THOUSAND OR MORE THAT IS WITHIN THE
15 JURISDICTION OF A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION.

16 (2) (a) (I) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2026, IN COORDINATION WITH
17 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND TRANSIT AGENCIES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
18 CREATE A TRANSIT AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT INVENTORY
19 THAT IDENTIFIES GAPS IN TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND PEDESTRIAN
20 INFRASTRUCTURE ON STATE HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY CONTROLLED
21 AND MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE INVENTORY MUST IDENTIFY
22 PROJECTS THAT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE TRANSIT, BIKING, AND
23 WALKING BY IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY AND SAFETY, AND MUST INCLUDE
24 COST ESTIMATES OF SUCH PROJECTS WHERE AVAILABLE.

25 (II) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2026, IN COORDINATION WITH LOCAL
26 GOVERNMENTS AND TRANSIT AGENCIES, A METROPOLITAN PLANNING
27 ORGANIZATION SHALL CREATE A TRANSIT AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

1 PROJECT INVENTORY THAT IDENTIFIES GAPS IN TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND
2 PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE ON ROADWAYS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY
3 WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING
4 ORGANIZATION. THE INVENTORY MUST IDENTIFY PROJECTS THAT WOULD
5 SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE TRANSIT, BIKING, AND WALKING BY IMPROVING
6 CONNECTIVITY AND SAFETY, AND MUST INCLUDE COST ESTIMATES FOR
7 SUCH PROJECTS IF AVAILABLE.

8 (b) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 31, 2026, THE DEPARTMENT AND
9 EACH METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS SHALL REPORT TO THE
10 TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION REVIEW COMMITTEE CREATED IN SECTION
11 43-2-145 (1)(a) ON THE INVENTORIES CREATED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
12 (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING AN ASSESSMENT OF EXISTING AND
13 POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE PROJECTS LISTED IN THE
14 INVENTORIES.

15 (c) THE DEPARTMENT AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING
16 ORGANIZATIONS SHALL USE THE INVENTORIES CREATED PURSUANT TO
17 SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION TO INFORM THE REGIONAL AND
18 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS REQUIRED BY SECTION 43-1-1103,
19 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS, AND TRANSIT SERVICE
20 PLANS.

21 (d) THE DEPARTMENT AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING
22 ORGANIZATIONS SHALL UPDATE THE INVENTORIES CREATED PURSUANT TO
23 SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION AS PART OF THE PLANNING PROCESSES
24 FOR THE REGIONAL AND STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS REQUIRED
25 BY SECTION 43-1-1103.

26 (3) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2026, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
27 DEVELOP CLEAR DEFINITIONS FOR ROADWAY CAPACITY INVESTMENTS AND

1 STATE-OF-GOOD-REPAIR INVESTMENTS. THE DEPARTMENT AND
2 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS SHALL SEPARATELY
3 CATEGORIZE THESE INVESTMENT COSTS IN THEIR REGIONAL AND
4 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS AND ANY PUBLISHED DASHBOARDS.

5 (4) (a) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, A SUBJECT LOCAL
6 GOVERNMENT SHALL SUBMIT ALL PLANNED TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND
7 PEDESTRIAN PROJECTS INCLUDED IN ANY TRANSPORTATION, CAPITAL, OR
8 OTHER PLAN TO ITS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION.

9 (b) A SUBJECT LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY ALSO:

10 (I) ADOPT MODE CHOICE TARGETS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE
11 DEPARTMENT, ITS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION, AND TRANSIT
12 AGENCIES THAT OPERATE WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES;

13 (II) SUBMIT LOCAL TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT
14 STRATEGIES TO ITS METROPOLITAN ORGANIZATION; AND

15 (III) IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, ITS
16 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION, AND TRANSIT AGENCIES,
17 IDENTIFY UNFINISHED TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND PEDESTRIAN PROJECTS IN
18 TRANSIT AREAS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 29-35-202 (8), AND
19 NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 29-35-202 (5), AND
20 PRIORITIZE SUCH PROJECTS BASED ON EACH PROJECT'S POTENTIAL TO
21 INCREASE TRANSPORTATION MODE CHOICE, PROTECT VULNERABLE ROAD
22 USERS, REDUCE VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED AND GREENHOUSE GAS
23 EMISSIONS, AND IMPROVE ACCESS TO NONDRIVING TRANSPORTATION
24 OPTIONS IN DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, AS DEFINED
25 IN SECTION 24-4-109 (2)(b)(II).

26 (c) NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION (4) REQUIRES A LOCAL
27 GOVERNMENT TO DEVELOP PLANS IN ADDITION TO THOSE THAT IT IS

1 OTHERWISE REQUIRED TO DEVELOP.

2 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
5 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
6 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
7 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
8 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
9 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
10 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.