

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

April 14, 2023  
Date

Committee on Appropriations.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB23-255 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

1 Amend printed bill, page 3, lines 24 and 25, strike "MONEY IN THE FUND  
2 IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE DIVISION" and substitute  
3 "SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE  
4 DIVISION MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND".

5 Page 4, strike lines 15 through 18 and substitute:

6 "(4) (a) THE DIVISION SHALL EXPEND ANY UNEXPENDED AND  
7 UNENCUMBERED MONEY IN THE FUND THAT EXCEEDS THE FOLLOWING  
8 AMOUNTS FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4)(b) OF THIS  
9 SECTION:".

10 Page 4, line 19, strike "(a)" and substitute "(I)".

11 Page 4, line 21, strike "(b)" and substitute "(II)".

12 Page 4, line 23, after "FUND" insert "FOR COMPENSATION OF  
13 LANDOWNERS".

14 Page 4, after line 24 insert:

15 "(b) THE DIVISION SHALL EXPEND THE MONEY DESCRIBED IN  
16 SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION TO IMPLEMENT THE GRAY WOLF  
17 RESTORATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN, CREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
18 SECTION 33-2-105.8, AS AMENDED BY THE COMMISSION.".

19 Page 6, before line 4 insert:

1           **"SECTION 3. Appropriation.** For the 2023-24 state fiscal year,  
2 \$175,000 is appropriated to the department of natural resources for use  
3 by the division of parks and wildlife. This appropriation is from the wolf  
4 depredation compensation fund created in section 33-1-127 (2)(a), C.R.S.  
5 To implement this act, the division may use this appropriation for wolf  
6 depredation compensation."

7   Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

8   Page 1, strike line 103 and substitute **"IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,**  
9 **MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS."**

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