

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

February 1, 2024
Date

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

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

SB24-053 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Finance with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, strike lines 2 through 6 and substitute:

2 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 23 to
3 article 2 of title 2 as follows:

4 PART 23
5 BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL EQUITY STUDY
6 **2-2-2301. Legislative declaration.** (1) (a) THE GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY".

8 Page 5, strike lines 5 through 27 and substitute:

9 **"2-2-2302. Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS PART 23, UNLESS THE
10 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

11 (1) "COMMISSION" MEANS THE BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL
12 EQUITY STUDY COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 2-2-2303.

13 (2) "ECONOMIC ANALYSIS" MEANS THE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS
14 CONDUCTED BY A THIRD-PARTY ENTITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2306.

15 (3) "FUND" MEANS THE BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL EQUITY
16 STUDY CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 2-2-2308.

17 (4) "HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS" OR "BLACK
18 COLORADANS" MEANS AFRICAN AMERICAN PERSONS, INCLUDING
19 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ORIGINS IN ANY OF THE BLACK RACIAL GROUPS,
20 WHO HAVE RESIDED OR WHO ARE RESIDING IN COLORADO.

21 (5) "HISTORICAL RESEARCH" MEANS THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH
22 CONDUCTED BY THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY PURSUANT TO SECTION
23 2-2-2305.

24 (6) "STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY" OR "SOCIETY" MEANS THE STATE
25 HISTORICAL SOCIETY ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 24-80-201 AND COMMONLY

1 KNOWN AS HISTORY COLORADO.

2 (7) "STUDY" MEANS THE STUDY TO DETERMINE ANY POTENTIAL
3 HISTORICAL AND ONGOING EFFECTS OF SLAVERY AND SUBSEQUENT
4 SYSTEMIC RACISM ON BLACK COLORADANS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO
5 THIS PART 23.

6 (8) "THIRD-PARTY ENTITY" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT SATISFIES THE
7 QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 2-2-2303 (2) AND THAT HAS
8 ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMISSION OR WITH THE
9 SOCIETY TO CONDUCT ALL OR PART OF THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH.

10 **2-2-2303. Black Coloradan racial equity study - third-party**
11 **entity qualifications - commission created - membership - staff**
12 **support - legislative intent.** (1) (a) THERE IS ESTABLISHED IN THE
13 LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT THE BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL EQUITY
14 COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE, AND MAKE
15 RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO, ANY POTENTIAL HISTORICAL AND
16 ONGOING EFFECTS OF SLAVERY AND SUBSEQUENT SYSTEMIC RACISM ON
17 BLACK COLORADANS THAT MAY BE ATTRIBUTED TO PRACTICES, SYSTEMS,
18 AND POLICIES OF THE STATE. THE COMMISSION IS ONLY REQUIRED TO
19 CONDUCT A STUDY IF, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2309, SECTIONS
20 2-2-2304, 2-2-2305, 2-2-2306, AND 2-2-2307 BECOME EFFECTIVE. THE
21 GOALS OF THE STUDY ARE TO:

22 (I) DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH BLACK COLORADANS HAVE
23 EXPERIENCED AND CONTINUE TO EXPERIENCE RACIAL DISCRIMINATION
24 DIRECTLY LINKED TO HARMFUL PRACTICES, SYSTEMS, AND POLICIES OF
25 THE STATE THAT HAVE EXISTED HISTORICALLY OR THAT CONTINUE TO
26 EXIST;

27 (II) QUANTIFY THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON BLACK COLORADANS,
28 INCLUDING IMPACTS ON INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES, OF ANY
29 DISCRIMINATION DISCOVERED DURING THE STUDY, TO THE EXTENT THAT
30 THE STUDY ESTABLISHES THAT DISPARITIES ATTRIBUTABLE TO PAST OR
31 PRESENT DISCRIMINATION EXIST; AND

32 (III) IDENTIFY MEASURES THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE
33 CONSTITUTION TO ADDRESS THE EFFECTS OF DISCRIMINATION THAT MAY
34 BE ATTRIBUTED TO PRACTICES, SYSTEMS, AND POLICIES OF THE STATE.

35 (b) THE STUDY INCLUDES HISTORICAL RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY
36 THE SOCIETY PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2305 AND AN ECONOMIC
37 ANALYSIS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2306.

38 (c) (I) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THE
39 STUDY BE FUNDED ENTIRELY BY GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS; THAT
40 GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED THROUGHOUT THE
41 COURSE OF THE STUDY; AND THAT NO ADDITIONAL GENERAL FUND MONEY
42 BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STUDY.

43 (II) A CONTRACT WITH A THIRD-PARTY ENTITY MUST PROVIDE

1 THAT THE CONTRACT IS CONTINGENT ON FUNDS BEING AVAILABLE FOR
2 THAT PURPOSE.

3 (2)(a) A THIRD-PARTY ENTITY THAT ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT
4 WITH THE COMMISSION OR SOCIETY TO CONDUCT ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OR
5 RESEARCH PURSUANT TO THIS PART 23 MUST HAVE:

6 (I) EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH BLACK COMMUNITIES;
7 (II) AN UNDERSTANDING OF BLACK HISTORY AND CULTURE, WITH
8 DEMONSTRATED EXPERIENCE WORKING ON ISSUES RELATED TO BLACK
9 HISTORY, SOCIAL EQUITY, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND ECONOMIC MOBILITY; AND
10 (III) AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA AND HOW IT
11 PASSES THROUGH GENERATIONS.

12 (b) THE THIRD-PARTY ENTITY MAY BE FROM OUTSIDE COLORADO.

13 (3)(a) THE COMMISSION CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

14 (I) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:

15 (A) ONE PERSON WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN QUANTIFYING THE
16 ECONOMIC IMPACTS ON HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS;
17 (B) ONE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE WITH A TRACK RECORD OF
18 PUBLIC SERVICE WITH HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS;
19 (C) ONE PERSON WHO HAS LEGAL EXPERTISE IN CONSTITUTIONAL
20 LAW AND RACIAL JUSTICE; AND
21 (D) ONE PERSON WHO IS A HISTORIAN WITH EXPERTISE IN THE
22 HISTORY OF BLACK COLORADANS;

23 (II) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF
24 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

25 (A) ONE PERSON WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN QUANTIFYING THE
26 ECONOMIC IMPACTS ON HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS;
27 (B) ONE PERSON WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN RESEARCHING THE
28 HISTORY AND IMPACT OF SLAVERY AND SYSTEMIC RACISM ON BLACK
29 COLORADANS;
30 (C) ONE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE WITH A TRACK RECORD OF
31 PUBLIC SERVICE WITH HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS;
32 AND
33 (D) TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; AND

34 (III) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF
35 THE SENATE:

36 (A) ONE PERSON WHO HAS LEGAL EXPERTISE IN CONSTITUTIONAL
37 LAW AND RACIAL JUSTICE;
38 (B) ONE PERSON WHO HAS EXPERTISE IN RESEARCHING THE
39 HISTORY AND IMPACT OF SLAVERY ON BLACK COLORADANS;
40 (C) ONE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE WITH A TRACK RECORD OF
41 PUBLIC SERVICE WITH HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS;
42 AND
43 (D) TWO MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

1 (b) THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL APPOINT ONE OF THE
2 MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WHO IS A SENATOR AS THE CHAIR OF THE
3 COMMISSION. THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL
4 APPOINT ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WHO IS A MEMBER OF
5 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AS THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION.

6 (c) THE APPOINTING AUTHORITIES SHALL APPOINT MEMBERS OF
7 THE COMMISSION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
8 THIS SUBSECTION (3), BUT NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2024. THE TERM
9 OF APPOINTMENT IS FOR THE DURATION OF THE COMMISSION'S EXISTENCE.
10 IF A VACANCY ARISES ON THE COMMISSION, THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY
11 SHALL APPOINT A REPLACEMENT TO FILL THE VACANCY AS SOON AS
12 POSSIBLE.

13 (d) NONLEGISLATIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SERVE
14 WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT ARE ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR
15 ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE
16 MEMBERS' DUTIES.

17 (e) THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF SHALL ASSIST THE
18 COMMISSION IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES; EXCEPT THAT LEGISLATIVE
19 COUNCIL STAFF SHALL NOT:

20 (I) CONDUCT RESEARCH FOR THE COMMISSION OR DRAFT THE
21 REPORT REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2307;

22 (II) ORGANIZE OR OTHERWISE FACILITATE A COMMUNITY
23 ENGAGEMENT SESSION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2-2-2305 (2); AND

24 (III) TRAVEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING THE COMMISSION,
25 UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE
26 COUNCIL.

27 **2-2-2304. Commission - meetings - duties.** (1) (a) THE CHAIR OF
28 THE COMMISSION SHALL CONVENE THE FIRST MEETING OF THE
29 COMMISSION NO LATER THAN FORTY-TWO DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
30 DATE OF THIS SECTION.

31 (b) THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT MEET MORE THAN SIX TIMES IN A
32 CALENDAR YEAR AND SHALL NOT MEET DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION;
33 EXCEPT THAT:

34 (I) MEETINGS WITHIN THE FIRST THREE MONTHS AFTER THE
35 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION DO NOT COUNT TOWARD THE
36 SIX-MEETING LIMIT; AND

37 (II) THE COMMISSION MAY MEET ONCE DURING A LEGISLATIVE
38 SESSION FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF A QUARTERLY UPDATE FROM THE SOCIETY
39 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2305 (4).

40 (c) MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION MAY PARTICIPATE REMOTELY
41 IN COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

42 (d) THE COMMISSION MAY NOT TRAVEL UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY
43 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; EXCEPT THAT

1 MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION MAY TRAVEL TO PARTICIPATE IN A
2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2-2-2305 (2).

3 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL:

4 (a) COLLABORATE WITH THE SOCIETY ABOUT THE STUDY'S SCOPE
5 OF RESEARCH IN THE SUBJECT AREAS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2-2-2305 (1);

6 (b) IF THE SOCIETY ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A
7 THIRD-PARTY ENTITY TO CONDUCT ALL OR PART OF THE HISTORICAL
8 RESEARCH, ASSIST WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RUBRIC FOR SELECTING
9 THE ENTITY;

10 (c) COLLABORATE WITH THE SOCIETY ABOUT DETERMINING THE
11 TIMING AND GEOGRAPHIC REACH FOR EACH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
12 SESSION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2-2-2305 (2) TO MAXIMIZE ATTENDANCE
13 AT THE SESSION, CONSULT WITH THE SOCIETY ABOUT WHETHER TO HOLD
14 ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS, AND HELP THE SOCIETY
15 MAXIMIZE ATTENDANCE AT THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS;

16 (d) PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO THE SOCIETY FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT
17 OF UPDATES ABOUT THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH;

18 (e) ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONE OR MORE THIRD-PARTY
19 ENTITIES TO CONDUCT AN ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
20 2-2-2306; AND

21 (f) DRAFT AND SUBMIT THE REPORT REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
22 SECTION 2-2-2307.

23 (3) AFTER THE COMMISSION SUBMITS THE REPORT TO THE
24 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2307 (1),
25 THE COMMISSION SHALL WORK WITH ANY PARTIES NECESSARY, INCLUDING
26 MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO IMPLEMENT THE
27 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT.

28 **2-2-2305. Black Coloradan racial equity study - historical**
29 **research.** (1) (a) AS PART OF THE STUDY, THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
30 SHALL CONDUCT HISTORICAL RESEARCH TO DETERMINE ANY POTENTIAL
31 HISTORICAL AND ONGOING EFFECTS OF SLAVERY AND SUBSEQUENT
32 SYSTEMIC RACISM ON BLACK COLORADANS THAT MAY BE ATTRIBUTED TO
33 PRACTICES, SYSTEMS, AND POLICIES OF THE STATE. THE HISTORICAL
34 RESEARCH MUST FOCUS ON AND INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING, AS EACH
35 MAY BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO STATE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, POLICIES,
36 SYSTEMS, AND PRACTICES:

37 (I) RESEARCH ON POTENTIAL HISTORICAL AND ONGOING EFFECTS
38 OF SLAVERY AND SUBSEQUENT SYSTEMIC RACISM ON BLACK COLORADANS
39 IN THE FOLLOWING SUBJECT AREAS: ACCESS TO ASSET AND WEALTH
40 BUILDING, INCLUDING RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL LOANS, CAPITAL
41 INVESTMENTS, AND GRANTS FOR BUSINESSES; TAX POLICY; K-12
42 EDUCATION; POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, INCLUDING HIGHER EDUCATION
43 AND WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAMS; HOME OWNERSHIP AND ACCESS TO

1 HOUSING AS AN OWNER OR TENANT; HEALTH DISPARITIES AND ACCESS TO
2 HEALTH CARE; POLICING AND POLICE BRUTALITY; INCARCERATION FOR
3 CRIMES; AND OVERALL TREATMENT OF BLACK COLORADANS AND TRENDS
4 IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. THE SOCIETY SHALL FOCUS ITS
5 RESEARCH IN THE SUBJECT AREAS BASED ON GUIDANCE FROM THE
6 COMMISSION ABOUT SPECIFIC TOPICS FOR STUDY WITHIN THE SUBJECT
7 AREAS.

8 (II) RESEARCH INTO THE EXTENT STATE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES'
9 POLICIES, SYSTEMS, AND PRACTICES MAY HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO ANY
10 HARM CAUSED TO HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS.

11 (b) IN CONDUCTING THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH, THE SOCIETY MAY
12 CONSIDER AND INCORPORATE OTHER RESEARCH AND STUDIES THAT ARE
13 RELEVANT TO THE SUBJECT AREAS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1).

14 (2) (a) THE SOCIETY SHALL CONDUCT AT LEAST TWO COMMUNITY
15 ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS IN DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS IN THE
16 STATE FOR THE PUBLIC TO OFFER INPUT BASED ON LIVED EXPERIENCE WITH
17 STATE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, POLICIES, SYSTEMS, AND PRACTICES
18 THAT HAVE RESULTED IN SYSTEMIC RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST
19 HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS-AND THEIR IMPACT ON
20 INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. EACH
21 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSION MUST BE HELD AT A TIME AND IN A
22 PLACE THAT THE COMMISSION DETERMINES IS SUFFICIENT TO MAXIMIZE
23 ATTENDANCE. THE SOCIETY SHALL ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
24 PARTICIPATE AND PROVIDE COMMENTS IN PERSON, REMOTELY, AND IN
25 WRITING.

26 (b) THE SOCIETY MAY, IN ITS DISCRETION AND AFTER
27 CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION, CONDUCT ADDITIONAL
28 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS OR ENGAGE WITH THE COMMUNITY
29 THROUGH INTERVIEWS AND OTHER METHODS DETERMINED BY THE
30 SOCIETY.

31 (3) THE SOCIETY MAY ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONE OR
32 MORE THIRD-PARTY ENTITIES TO CONDUCT ALL OR PART OF THE
33 HISTORICAL RESEARCH.

34 (4) BEGINNING THREE MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
35 THIS SECTION, THE SOCIETY SHALL PROVIDE THE COMMISSION WITH
36 QUARTERLY UPDATES ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE STUDY. THE SOCIETY
37 SHALL CONSIDER THE COMMISSION'S FEEDBACK ON THE UPDATES.

38 (5) NO LATER THAN TWO YEARS AND SIX MONTHS AFTER THE
39 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, THE SOCIETY SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT
40 TO THE COMMISSION WITH THE RESULTS OF ITS HISTORICAL RESEARCH
41 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND ANY RECOMMENDATIONS OF
42 THE SOCIETY.

43 **2-2-2306. Black Coloradan racial equity study - economic**

1 **analysis - contractor.** (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL ENTER INTO AN
2 AGREEMENT WITH ONE OR MORE THIRD-PARTY ENTITIES TO CONDUCT AN
3 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF SYSTEMIC RACISM ON
4 HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK COLORADANS UTILIZING THE FINDINGS
5 OF THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH AND, IF FEASIBLE, AN ESTIMATION OF THE
6 FINANCIAL IMPACT ON COLORADO'S ECONOMY RESULTING FROM STATE
7 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, POLICIES, SYSTEMS, AND PRACTICES IN
8 COLORADO.

9 (2) (a) THE THIRD-PARTY ENTITY SHALL BEGIN CONDUCTING ITS
10 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS AFTER THE SOCIETY HAS COMPLETED ITS RESEARCH
11 AND NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE COMMISSION RECEIVES THE
12 HISTORICAL RESEARCH REPORT FROM THE SOCIETY PURSUANT TO SECTION
13 2-2-2305 (5).

14 (b) NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER BEGINNING TO CONDUCT
15 ITS ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, THE THIRD-PARTY ENTITY SHALL DELIVER THE
16 RESULTS OF ITS ANALYSIS TO THE COMMISSION.

17 **2-2-2307. Black Coloradan racial equity study - report -**
18 **presentation to legislative committees.** (1) NO LATER THAN THREE
19 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION
20 SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE GOVERNOR
21 ABOUT THE STUDY. THE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE THE REPORT TO THE
22 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER
23 EDUCATION, THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND THE HEALTH
24 EQUITY COMMISSION CREATED IN SECTION 25-4-2206, AND MAKE THE
25 REPORT AVAILABLE ON A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBPAGE OF THE
26 GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S WEBSITE. THE REPORT MUST INCLUDE:

27 (a) A DESCRIPTION OF THE STUDY'S GOALS;

28 (b) THE RESULTS OF THE HISTORICAL RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC
29 ANALYSIS;

30 (c) RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE
31 CONSTITUTION TO ADDRESS ANY PAST HARM POTENTIALLY CAUSED BY
32 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, POLICIES, SYSTEMS, AND PRACTICES THAT ARE
33 DISCOVERED THROUGH THE STUDY;

34 (d) RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT HOW OUTCOMES OF THE
35 HISTORICAL RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC ASSESSMENTS OF PAST HARM
36 POTENTIALLY CAUSED TO BLACK COLORADANS BY THE PRACTICES,
37 SYSTEMS, AND POLICIES OF THE STATE CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO THE
38 STATE HISTORY STANDARDS FOR K-12 STUDENTS; AND

39 (e) RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT HOW TO INCREASE PUBLIC
40 AWARENESS ABOUT RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC ASSESSMENTS OF PAST
41 HARM POTENTIALLY CAUSED TO HISTORICALLY IMPACTED BLACK
42 COLORADANS BY GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, POLICIES, SYSTEMS, AND
43 PRACTICES.

1 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL PRESENT THE REPORT DESCRIBED IN
2 THIS SECTION TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STATE, CIVIC,
3 MILITARY, AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE STATE,
4 VETERANS, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR
5 COMMITTEES, DURING THE NEXT REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION THAT
6 BEGINS AFTER THE REPORT IS SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND
7 GOVERNOR OR, IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS IN REGULAR SESSION WHEN
8 THE REPORT IS SUBMITTED AND UPON REQUEST OF THE CHAIR OF THE
9 COMMITTEE, DURING THAT ONGOING REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

10 **2-2-2308. Gifts, grants, and donations - cash fund.** (1) THE
11 COMMISSION MAY SEEK, ACCEPT, AND EXPEND GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
12 DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SOURCES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS
13 SECTION. THE COMMISSION SHALL TRANSMIT ALL MONEY RECEIVED
14 THROUGH GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO
15 SHALL CREDIT THE MONEY TO THE BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL EQUITY
16 STUDY CASH FUND CREATED IN THIS SECTION.

17 (2) THE COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF IN-KIND
18 SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING FOR TECHNICAL
19 ASSISTANCE.

20 (3)(a) THE BLACK COLORADAN RACIAL EQUITY STUDY CASH FUND
21 IS CREATED IN THE STATE TREASURY. THE FUND CONSISTS OF GIFTS,
22 GRANTS, AND DONATIONS CREDITED TO THE FUND PURSUANT TO
23 SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE
24 GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. THE
25 STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED
26 FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF MONEY IN THE FUND TO THE
27 FUND.

28 (b) MONEY IN THE FUND IS CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AS
29 FOLLOWS:

30 (I) TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR THE COMMISSION TO CARRY
31 OUT THIS PART 23; AND

32 (II) TO THE SOCIETY FOR CONDUCTING HISTORICAL RESEARCH
33 PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2305.

34 (c) (I) IF BY JUNE 30, 2025, THE MONEY IN THE FUND HAS NEVER
35 REACHED OR EXCEEDED FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE STATE
36 TREASURER SHALL RETURN FROM THE FUND TO THE GRANTOR OR DONOR
37 THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANTOR'S OR DONOR'S GIFTS, GRANTS, OR
38 DONATIONS.

39 (II) IF SECTIONS 2-2-2304, 2-2-2305, 2-2-2306, AND 2-2-2307
40 TAKE EFFECT PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-2-2309 (1), ON THE DAY PRIOR TO
41 THE REPEAL OF THE FUND FOUR YEARS LATER PURSUANT TO SECTION
42 2-2-2309 (2), THE STATE TREASURER SHALL RETURN FROM THE FUND TO
43 EACH GRANTOR OR DONOR THE MONEY REMAINING IN THE FUND IN AN

1 AMOUNT THAT IS PROPORTIONAL TO THE GRANTOR'S OR DONOR'S SHARE
2 OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS DEPOSITED TO
3 THE FUND.

4 (III) IF ANY MONEY REMAINS IN THE FUND AFTER THE STATE
5 TREASURER RETURNS MONEY TO DONORS OR GRANTORS PURSUANT TO
6 SUBSECTION (3)(c)(I) OR (3)(c)(II) OF THIS SECTION, AS APPLICABLE, THE
7 STATE TREASURER SHALL, PRIOR TO THE REPEAL OF THE FUND, TRANSFER
8 ALL UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEY IN THE FUND TO THE
9 GENERAL FUND.

10 **2-2-2309. Effective dates - repeal of part.** (1) SECTIONS
11 2-2-2304, 2-2-2305, 2-2-2306, AND 2-2-2307 WILL TAKE EFFECT IF THE
12 COMMISSION RECEIVES FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF GIFTS,
13 GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PART 23. THE
14 DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHALL NOTIFY THE
15 REVISOR OF STATUTES IN WRITING OF THE DATE ON WHICH THE CONDITION
16 SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (1) HAS OCCURRED BY E-MAILING THE
17 NOTICE TO REVISOROFSTATUTES.GA@COLEG.GOV. SECTIONS 2-2-2304,
18 2-2-2305, 2-2-2306, AND 2-2-2307 TAKE EFFECT UPON THE DATE
19 IDENTIFIED IN THE NOTICE THAT THE SOCIETY HAS RECEIVED FIVE
20 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF GIFTS, GRANTS, OR DONATIONS FOR THE
21 PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION OR, IF THE NOTICE DOES NOT SPECIFY THAT
22 DATE, UPON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR OF STATUTES.

23 (2) THIS PART 23 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025; EXCEPT
24 THAT, IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES RECEIVES NOTICE PURSUANT TO THIS
25 SECTION, THEN THIS PART 23 IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE FOUR YEARS AFTER
26 SECTIONS 2-2-2304, 2-2-2305, 2-2-2306, AND 2-2-2307 TAKE EFFECT.

27 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-80-211, **add** (2)
28 as follows:

29 **24-80-211. Society and division - duties - repeal.** (2) (a) THE
30 STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SHALL CONDUCT HISTORICAL RESEARCH AS
31 DESCRIBED IN PART 23 OF ARTICLE 2 OF TITLE 2.

32 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (2) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025;
33 EXCEPT THAT, IF THE REVISOR OF STATUTES RECEIVES NOTICE PURSUANT
34 TO SECTION 2-2-2309 (1), THEN THIS SUBSECTION (2) IS REPEALED,
35 EFFECTIVE FOUR YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF THE NOTICE TO THE REVISOR
36 OF STATUTES.

37 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
38 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
39 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
40 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
41 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
42 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
43 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.".

- 3 Strike pages 6 through 15.

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