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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, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN**
105 **APPROPRIATION.**

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

purpose of renovating and enhancing the horse show arena area facilities 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 FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO
6 THE COLORADO STATE FAIR AUTHORITY CASH FUND CREATED IN THIS
7 SECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING AND ENHANCING THE HORSE
8 SHOW ARENA AREA FACILITIES USED AT THE COLORADO STATE FAIR.

9 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (5) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018.

10 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-28.8-501, **add** (7)
11 as follows:

12 **39-28.8-501. Marijuana tax cash fund - creation - distribution**

13 **- repeal.** (7) (a) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, IF
14 AT THE END OF THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN
15 THE FUND EXCEEDS EIGHTY-FOUR MILLION NINE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE
16 THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS, THE STATE TREASURER
17 SHALL TRANSFER FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE COLORADO STATE
18 FAIR AUTHORITY CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 35-65-107, C.R.S., FOR
19 THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR.

20 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (7) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018.

21 **SECTION 4. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2016-17 state fiscal
22 year, \$50,000 is appropriated to the department of agriculture for use by
23 the Colorado state fair. This appropriation is from the Colorado state fair
24 authority cash fund created in section 35-65-107 (1), C.R.S. To
25 implement this act, the state fair may use this appropriation for state fair
26 facilities maintenance.

27 (2) If \$50,000 is transferred from the marijuana tax cash fund to

1 the Colorado state fair authority cash fund pursuant to section
2 39-28.8-501 (7) (a), C.R.S., then for the 2016-17 state fiscal year,
3 \$50,000 is appropriated to the department of agriculture for use by the
4 Colorado state fair. This appropriation is from the Colorado state fair
5 authority cash fund created in section 35-65-107 (1), C.R.S. To
6 implement this act, the state fair may use this appropriation for state fair
7 facility maintenance.

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