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SENATE BILL 18-039

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE WILDFIRE MATTERS REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND, IN**
102 **CONNECTION THEREWITH, DEFERRING THE DATE ON WHICH THE**
103 **COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED TO REPEAL AND MAKING AN**
104 **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://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Wildfire Matters Review Committee. The wildfire matters review committee (WMRC) is currently scheduled to repeal on July 1, 2018. The bill defers the repeal date to September 1, 2025.

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

The bill also eliminates obsolete provisions relating to the WMRC's consideration of codifying the wildland and prescribed fire advisory commission, an entity created by executive order. The WMRC discharged its obligation by considering this issue during the 2014 legislative session.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1602, **amend** (7);
3 and **repeal** (1.5) as follows:

4 **2-3-1602. Wildfire matters review committee - creation -**
5 **repeal of part.** (1.5) ~~(a) In 2014, in addition to any other matters it~~
6 ~~considers, the committee shall consider the creation of a Colorado~~
7 ~~wildland and prescribed fire advisory commission under the division of~~
8 ~~fire prevention and control in the department of public safety, also~~
9 ~~referred to in this subsection (1.5) as the "advisory commission". The~~
10 ~~purpose of the advisory commission will be to assist the director of the~~
11 ~~division of fire prevention and control in performing his or her duties.~~
12 ~~The committee shall make specific findings and recommendations~~
13 ~~regarding the appropriate composition of the advisory commission, length~~
14 ~~of terms, and the types of expertise and interests that should be~~
15 ~~represented.~~

16 ~~(b) On or before December 1, 2014, the committee shall submit~~
17 ~~its specific recommendations pertaining to the advisory commission to the~~
18 ~~agriculture, livestock, and natural resources committee of the house of~~
19 ~~representatives and the agriculture, natural resources, and energy~~
20 ~~committee of the senate, or any successor committees. Nothing in this~~
21 ~~paragraph (b) prevents the committee from proposing legislation~~
22 ~~regarding the creation of the advisory commission.~~

23 ~~(c) Repealed.~~

1 (7) This part 16 is repealed, effective ~~July 1, 2018~~ SEPTEMBER 1,
2 2025.

3 **SECTION 2. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2018-19 state fiscal
4 year, \$49,125 is appropriated to the legislative department. This
5 appropriation is from the general fund. To implement this act, the
6 department may use this appropriation as follows:

7 (a) \$41,484 for use by the legislative council, which amount is
8 based on an assumption that the legislative council will require an
9 additional 0.3FTE; and

10 (b) \$7,641 for use by the office of legislative legal services, which
11 amount is based on an assumption that the office will require an
12 additional 0.1 FTE.

13 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
14 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
15 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.